



## The Acts of the Spirit

### Sermon Discussion Questions

#### ACTS 3:1-10 // THE BEGGAR

- Pastor Joey talked about a time when he felt on the “outside”. Have you ever felt that way? What did that feel like?
- Did you feel like you were on the outside because of something you had done, or because of who you are? How do those differ in how they affect your experience?
- The key idea this week was “the real miracle is new life in Jesus.” How does that idea show up throughout the story in Acts 3:1-10?
- What did it mean that the lame beggar was not allowed in the Temple? How would that have affected him emotionally, socially, and economically? What about spiritually?
- What would Jews have assumed about this man, based on his physical condition? What about Greeks and Romans reading this account; what would they have assumed about him? Do we tend to share those stereotypes?
- What does it mean to say, “in the name of Jesus”? Is that a magical incantation or an appeal to Jesus’s authority?
- How did the lame beggar exercise faith in this story? How is that similar to the way we exercise faith?
- As much as we pray and ask for physical healing today, we need to remember that the real miracle is new life in Jesus. How can you be part of someone else’s new life in Jesus today?