

# Acts 3:1 to 4:31

Fall 2023

## Acts 3 Highlights:

1) The lame man was healed by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Peter said God performed this healing in order to glorify his servant \_\_\_\_\_.

3) Peter said, "Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your \_\_\_\_\_ may be wiped out, that times of \_\_\_\_\_ may come from the Lord."

### READINGS IN THIS SECTION

Acts 3:1-10 — A lame man is healed

Acts 3:11-26 — Peter explains the healing

Acts 4:1-22 — Peter & John are arrested

Acts 4:23-31 — The church responds to persecution by praying

## Acts 4 Highlights:

4) Acts 4:4 — The number of men who believed (in Jesus) grew to about \_\_\_\_\_.

5) The Jewish leaders realized that Peter and John were ordinary, unschooled men, and they took note that these men had been with \_\_\_\_\_.

6) The Jewish leaders commanded Peter and John not to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of Jesus.

7) After Peter and John were released, the church prayed that God would enable them to \_\_\_\_\_ his word with great boldness.

## Key Line in Acts 3-4:

Acts 4:19-20 — "But Peter and John replied, 'Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.'"

- When is it appropriate for followers of Jesus to refuse to obey those in authority? When is it inappropriate for us to do so?

### **Homework** (No, it won't be graded—but you'll benefit if you do it!)

*Thursday* — Read the handout about the Sanhedrin and the high priests Anna and Caiaphas. These Jewish leaders put the apostles Peter and John on trial in Acts 4.

*Friday* — Bible Exploration: Read Daniel 3, the story of some Jews about 600 years earlier who, like Peter and John, respectfully refused to obey the authorities rather than God.

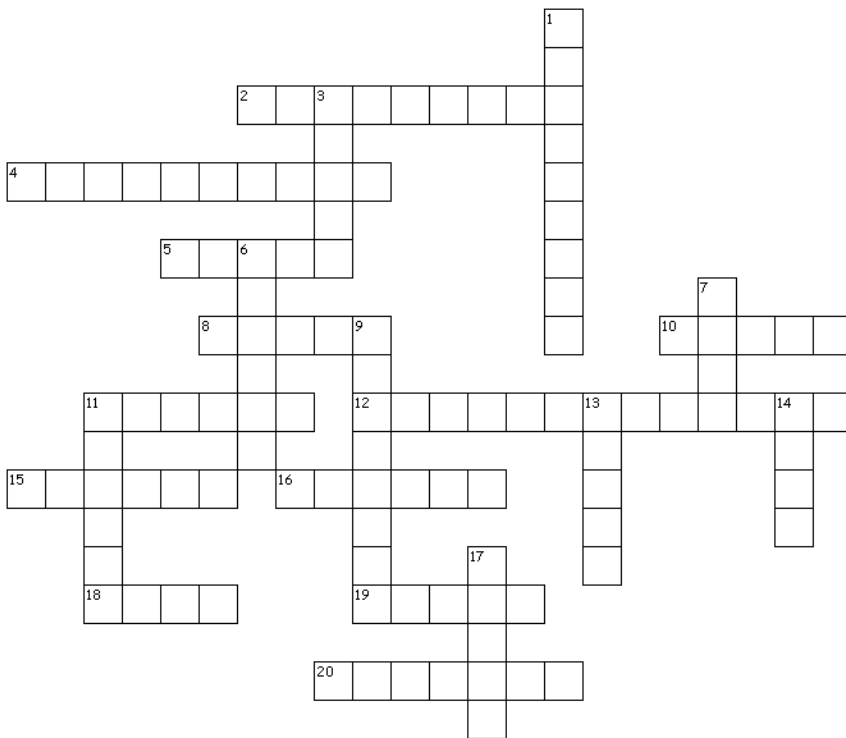
*Saturday* — Do the crossword puzzle on the back of this page.

*Sunday* — Worship God and thankfully enjoy the day! 😊

*Monday* — Bible Exploration: Read John 9, a story from the ministry of Jesus. In this story, as in Acts 4, not everyone who realizes a miracle has been performed is therefore convinced to listen to the message of Jesus.

*Tuesday* — Prepare for the next section of our study by reading Acts 4:32 to 5:42

# ACTS 2:14 to 4:31 (NIV)



## Across

2. temple gate where Peter & John encountered the lame man
4. "Heaven must receive him [Jesus] until the time comes for God to restore \_\_\_\_"
5. the leaders took note that Peter & John had been with this man
8. Peter called God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac, and \_\_\_\_"
10. man whose lameness was healed was over \_\_\_\_ years old
11. Peter said, "\_\_\_\_ or gold I do not have"
12. met with Herod, the Gentiles, and the people of Israel to conspire against Jesus (2 words)
15. they continued to meet daily in the \_\_\_\_ courts
16. "And you will receive the gift of the Holy \_\_\_\_"
18. "everyone who calls on the name of the \_\_\_\_ will be saved"
19. said "you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead"
20. God told him, "Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed"

## Down

1. people ran to Peter and John in the place called Solomon's \_\_\_\_
3. high priest who was there for Peter & John's trial
6. "After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was \_\_\_\_"
7. prophet who said "Your sons and daughters will prophesy" \_\_\_\_
9. "Repent and be \_\_\_\_"
11. beginning with this man, all the prophets foretold these days
13. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_ the builders rejected
14. Peter said "David died...and his \_\_\_\_ is here to this day"
17. Jesus has been exalted to the \_\_\_\_ hand of God