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Sermon Notes for February 26th, 2023

“Declaring What is Ours”

Sermon Text: **Acts 3:1-10 (NIV)**: One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. ²Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. ³When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. ⁴Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” ⁵So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. ⁶Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” ⁷Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. ⁸He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. ⁹When all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Old Testament Text: **Psalm 27:1-6 9 (p. 583)**; New Testament Text: **Matthew 28:18-20 (p. 1062)**

Read the sermon text above while listening to the message, then answer the following questions.

1. What significant event did the priests in the temple perform at exactly 3:00 PM each day?

Why did Peter & John continue to come to the temple at that time even though they were followers of Jesus and not followers of the Jewish faith?

2. What information do we learn about the lame man in **Acts 3:2**?
3. What did the lame man want Peter & John to do for him? (**Acts 3:3**)
4. How did Peter respond to the man in **Acts 3:6**?
5. What did Peter do to help the lame man receive his healing? (**Acts 3:7**)

6. How did the lame man respond to Peter's declaration to walk? (**Acts 3:8**)

7. How did the people in the temple respond to the man's healing? (**Acts 3:9-10**)

Read Acts 3:11-16, then, answer the questions below. Acts 3:11-16: While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. ¹²When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

8. Why did the man continue to hold on to Peter & John even after he was healed?

9. What did Peter make sure every person understood about this healing? (**Acts 3:12-16**)

10. What will you remember most from this message?