

YOUNG TWIGS

year 3, week 21

Acts 3–4

Peter heals a beggar in Jesus' name. The name of Jesus is then forbidden. How have you been challenged for believing in Jesus?

Observation: What does it say?

1. Read Acts 3 and 4. Mark *repent*, *return*, and *pray/prayer*.
2. In Ac 3, there are at least 4 different “name” for Jesus. What are they? List them here.
3. Summarize what happens in Ac 3:1–10.
4. In Ac 3, why does Peter rebuke the people for being “amazed” and “gazing at them?” (Ac 3:12) What other “rebukes” does he give to the people? What instructions does he give to them?
5. Why are the priests, the Sadducees, and the temple guard “disturbed” in Ac 4? What do they do about this?
6. In Ac 4, what is the question that the priests ask Peter and John? What answer does Peter give?
7. In Ac 4, When their companions heard that Peter and John had been released and they reported what had happened to them, what was the response of their companions?
8. When the people were filled with the Holy Spirit in Ac 4:31, list the things that happened.

Interpretation: What does the author mean?

9. How does the Old Testament quote in Ac 4:25-26 relate to Peter and John's situation?

10. In Ac 4, what is the response of the priests after Peter makes his speech in Ac 4:9-12? How did they threaten Peter and John? What was their response to this threat?

11. What do you think that this verse means? Ac 4:32 "all things were common property to them."

12. What does Peter mean when he says in Ac 3:19 to "return"? Why didn't he just say "repent"?

Application: therefore, what shall I do?

13. In Ac 4, how does Peter explain "salvation"? What would you say to someone who says that "there are many ways to God?" How would you reason with them?

14. Have you ever been told "you must not talk about Jesus?" What was your response to this?

15. After Peter and John reported everything that had happened to them, the people prayed for boldness. When is the last time you prayed for boldness? When was the last time you were bold and you testified for Jesus?