

# WEEK 2: PETER HEALS A BEGGAR WHO CAN'T WALK

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*When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they 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. Acts 3:9-10*

### **Acts 3:1-11**

When you hear the word “miracle,” what do you **typically** think of? Maybe it is one of Jesus’ earliest and most **powerful** miracles like turning water to wine or raising **Lazarus** from the dead. It is easy to think back on Jesus’ time on Earth and think of those miracles as simply something that happened long ago in a story we have heard. But that is not the full truth. **Miracles** are not just a thing of the past and God is still **working** miracles each and every day in our **lives** and the **lives** of those around us.

The Holy Spirit is one of the **primary** ways God allows us to work miracles on His behalf. We read about this in the story of Peter, one of Jesus’ first **followers** and closest friends. Peter had a long list of **shortcomings**, like we all do, and was far from perfect. Even still, the Holy Spirit was **given** to Him as a believer and, because of that, he was able to **heal** a man previously unable to walk by just speaking the name of the **Lord**. When Peter healed the crippled man, the Holy Spirit worked through him and, as followers of **Christ**, the Holy Spirit can do miracles through us too.

Miracles may not always **look** like what we have read about in the Bible. It is not likely you will be raising people from the dead or **giving** a blind man sight. However, miracles today are just as special as they **display** the power of God and give Him glory in the same way. The Holy Spirit is still at work in and around us, doing small but mighty miracles through us each day like helping our families during hard times, **restoring** broken relationships or allowing us to share the **gospel** with a friend.

We have been given one of the most **valuable** gifts because of our salvation and that is the power of the Holy Spirit who allows us to display the **glory** of God each day.

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**Questions to think about:**

1. What is the purpose of a miracle?
2. Has the Holy Spirit ever used you to perform a miracle for someone else?
3. How can you show the power of God to someone in your life today?