

**God Has A Plan!**  
**Text: Acts 3:11-26**  
**February 11, 2023**

**Big Idea: Jess is God's plan of salvation; you must believe in Him alone for it.**

**Context is key!**

**Question #1 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?*

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

**Question #2 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?*

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) Does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

**Question #3 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What are the principles, commands or promises given?*

- a) What is the overall theme of the text?
- b) Does the passage include any promise from God? If so, what?

**Question #4 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What is the application?*

- a) What is one specific way I can live by these truths, or trust in these promises today?
- b) What is the next step that I need to take to see this happen?

**Question #5**

- a) Why is it essential to our witness that we believe God has a salvation plan?
- b) What happens when we are living in unbelief in all or part of His plan?
- c) When are you tempted to doubt God's plan the most? Why?

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**Point 1: It's POWER: One NAME (vv. 11-16)**

*Question: Only in the Name of Jesus can you be saved. Will you believe it?*

**Question #6**

- a) **Rd. vv. 11-16:** What was the first thing Peter did when the people were believing he healed the man? Why was it essential that he did this?
- b) When sharing the gospel with the Jews, how did Peter establish a common ground with them?
- c) What are some ways we can do this with those around us, without compromising the truth?
- d) Peter didn't shy away from declaring the sinfulness of the Jews. Why is this a crucial part of sharing the gospel with someone?
- e) Spend time in prayer for one another asking the Lord for increasing humility, wisdom and boldness in your witness that God gave Peter here.

### Question #7

- a) **Rd vv. 13-15:** Who does Peter declare Jesus is in these verses?
- b) What does each Name represent about Him? (Use Scripture passages as appropriate)
- c) Which of the names of Jesus mentioned here stands out for you? Why?
- d) Spend time in adoration as a group declaring who Jesus is from His Word!

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### Point 2: It's PATH: One WAY (vv. 17-24)

*Question: Repentance is God's path for salvation. Will you repent and believe?*

### Question #8

- a) **Rd vv. 17-24:** What does Peter call the Jews to do in light of who Christ is and what they've done?
- b) Why is calling people to repent of their sin an essential part of our witness to them?
- c) Discuss some reasons why Christians will often shy away from calling people to repent of their sin.
- d) What does Peter say God will do through repentance?
- e) What sin(s) do you need to repent of? Ask your accountability group for prayer and follow-up in those areas. Don't wait!

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### Point 3: It's WORK: One GOD (vv.25-26)

*Question: Salvation is God's work from start to finish. Will you witness by faith in Him?*

### Question #9

- a) **Rd. vv. 25-26:** How did God's covenant with Abraham lay out His salvation plan?
- b) Who is the One responsible for turning each person from their wickedness?
- c) How should it embolden our witness knowing that salvation is God's work from start to finish?
- d) Spend time in prayer for specific people that God has put around you. Pray for: i) Boldness in your witness ii) For God's saving work in them.

### Question #10

- a) Write out the gospel in your own words.
- b) Share it with the group.

### Prayer Application

Spend time as a group or in accountability praying out of Acts 3:11-26. Some prompts are below.

- a) ADORATION: God, I praise you for...
- b) CONFESSION: Lord, I repent of...i) My unbelief that salvation is Your work alone ii) My sin of \_\_\_\_\_
- c) THANKSGIVING: Father, thank you for... i) Sending Jesus to \_\_\_\_\_ ii) Your faithfulness in \_\_\_\_\_
- d) SUPPLICATION: Lord, I ask you for...i) Increased faith that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ ii) Salvation for \_\_\_\_\_ iii) Revival in \_\_\_\_\_

*Memory Verse:*

*"Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord..."-Acts 4: 19-20a*

