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PETER CALLS THE PEOPLE TO REPENT

*Our Search for Wholeness -
and How Jesus Answers*
Acts 3:11-26

INTRODUCTION:

In a world searching for wholeness, Acts 3:11-26 shows us that Jesus isn't simply offering a religious transaction; He's offering a whole new way of living. Healing, repentance, and renewal are not just abstract ideas but invitations into the ongoing work of God's Kingdom—where our deepest longings find fulfillment.

I. TRUE HEALING: Found in the "Author of Life". (Acts 3:11-16)

Peter heals a man, not by his own power, but through FAITH in Jesus.

Greek word: *archēgon tēs zōēs* = " AUTHOR of Life" (v. 15)

Healing isn't the end goal; it points to Jesus as the true source of LIFE.

II. TRUE REPENTANCE: A call to turn toward God and realign our lives to the Holy Spirit. (Acts 3:17-19a)

Peter doesn't sugarcoat the truth; the people REJECTED Jesus.

Greek word: *metanoeō* = " REPENT, change one's mind and direction" (v. 19)

Repentance isn't just feeling bad; it's realigning with God and authentically turning in a new DIRECTION.

III. TRUE RENEWAL: The ongoing work of God's grace, bringing refreshment to weary souls. (Acts 3:19b & 25-26)

Peter promises "times of refreshing" (*anapsyxis*) meaning ongoing RESTORATION and revival in Jesus.

Greek word: *eulogeō* = "to BLESS, cause to flourish" (v. 25)

The grace we receive is meant to be SHARED with the city around us.

IV. WHAT'S YOUR NEXT STEP?

1. Are you longing for healing but afraid to admit where you need Jesus?
2. Who are you talking with about your life?
3. Have you been trying to fix yourself without Jesus?
4. What would it look like to let God's justice convict you but His grace restore you?
5. Who in your life needs to experience healing, forgiveness, and renewal?



Upcoming Reading Assignment for Next Week: Acts 4:1-22