

## **Empower for the Extraordinary**

Acts 3:1-10 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. <sup>2</sup>And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. <sup>3</sup>Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. <sup>4</sup>And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." <sup>5</sup>And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. <sup>6</sup>But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" <sup>7</sup>And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. <sup>8</sup>And leaping up, he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. <sup>9</sup>And all the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

**God has EMPOWERED YOU to Make a Difference in 2024!**

**YOU are EMPOWERED for CHANGE in 2024!**

**God is about to do a NEW THING in YOU in 2024!**

**Witnessing simply means telling others what we've personally seen and experienced of the Lord Jesus.**

Mark 16:15

**"Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to all the creation."**

**God has EMPOWERED YOU to be a WITNESS in 2024!**

**Encourage – to give support, confidence or hope to someone. It means to reassure, help, embolden, provide aid and inspire.**

**Never underestimate the power of an encouraging word.**

Acts 2:42-44, 47 (NIV)

**42** And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

**43** Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. **44** All the believers were TOGETHER and had everything in common. **47** And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

**Some of you are asking Jesus to support your condition and He wants to transform your life!**

**You cannot give what you do not have.**

### **1. Peter and John Were Full of the Holy Spirit.**

Acts 1:8 - **8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you,

### **2. Peter and John Gave What They Had.**

### **3. This Extraordinary Miracle Led to Salvation.**

Acts 4:4(ESV)

**4** But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

Acts 19:11-12 (AMP)

God was doing extraordinary *and* uncommon miracles by the hands of Paul, <sup>12</sup> so that even handkerchiefs *or* face-towels or aprons that had touched his skin were brought to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.