



ACTS 3-4

Peter and John went to the temple to pray. At the temple gate, they saw a man who could not walk. Peter helped the man and told him about Jesus.

People ran through the street, rushing to see Peter and John. The people were amazed at the things they had heard and seen.

Peter asked the people why they were surprised. He explained that he and John did not make the man well. Only Jesus could do that. Then Peter reminded the people how they had turned Jesus over to people who were against Him. "You are the ones who caused Jesus to be taken away. You tried to get rid of Jesus," Peter told them. "Jesus died for you. But God made Jesus alive again."

"John and I are witnesses of all this. We saw what you did. It is Jesus who made this man well and walk," Peter said again.

Leaders in the city did not want Peter and John to tell people that Jesus was alive. The leaders took Peter and John away from the crowds and kept them until the next day. But even though Peter and John were not with the people, the people still believed what the men had told them about Jesus.

The leaders met in Jerusalem to talk with Peter and John. They asked: "Who gave you the power to do the things you've done?"

Peter stood up to answer. "Let everyone know that only Jesus is able to make people well. Jesus is the only Person who can help us."

The leaders did not know what to say. They were surprised Peter answered them this way.