



Instruments of Healing & Truth

Sermon Questions

Date: *January 17, 2021* | **Scripture:** *Acts 3:1-8; 4:13-22*

1. Read *Acts 3:1-8* and *4:13-22*. What stands out to you?
2. In *Acts 3:1-8*, Peter and John notice someone who is marginalized and neglected. Who are some of the marginalized and neglected within your community?
3. The power that Peter uses to heal the man in the story belonged to Christ, but the hand was Peter's. How have you seen power abused by the Church? How have you seen the Church exercise power well?
4. *Acts 4:13-22* highlights the boldness of believers. Recall together times that you have been bold in proclaiming Jesus. What was that like?
5. In order to be an instrument of healing and truth, we must spend time with Jesus so that we can speak like Jesus. Honestly assess your time with Jesus versus your time on social media or consuming news. What are tangible ways you can increase your time with Jesus?

Inward Grace in Action

The questions below are a little more intimate and are meant to be discussed with a trusted friend or partner.

1. Because of sin, we are often *not* instruments of healing and truth. Whether intentionally or not, we are all often complicit in advancing pain and lies. Reflect on this reality in your life – where have you rejected the way of Christ for your own way? Confess to your partner and repent together.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures:

- *Acts 3*
- *Acts 4*
- *Luke 6:20-36*
- *Amos 5:18-24*
- *2 Corinthians 5*
- *Isaiah 35*

Listen to the Unwavering worship playlist on Spotify.

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- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org

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