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**Why God Does Amazing Things**

***Acts 3***

# Introduction

### Video of Acts 3:1-10 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AT7cnOkGcBQ)

### Why is this story in Acts? Notice the emphasis on the name of Jesus in this account…

# I. Peter shared the gospel after healing a lame man in Christ’s name (Acts 3).

## Peter healed a lame man in Jesus’ name (3:1-10).

## Jesus healing the cripple enabled Peter to share the gospel (3:11-26).

### Jesus could heal the cripple because he died and rose again (3:11-16).

### The people should accept Jesus as Israel’s promised king (Christ = Messiah) who will return to restore the kingdom after the nation believes (3:17-26).

# II. Seeing God work gives us open doors for witness (Main Idea).

## Speak the name—thus the authority—of Jesus.

### Peter healed the man in the name of Jesus (3:6).

### Peter refused to take any credit for power or godliness (3:12).

### Peter said that the man placed his faith in the name of Jesus (3:16).

### I wonder how much you and I talk about Jesus instead of ourselves!

## What amazing things has God done where you have a front-row seat?

### He rescued me from a broken home and used me for his work for 41 years.

### He’s helped me increasingly see that I have too low a view of Jesus.

# Conclusion

### Seeing God work gives us open doors for witness (Main Idea).

### How are you seeing God work in your life?

### How can you give Jesus credit for his work?

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