



In Acts 3:11–26 we find the summary of “A Christ-Centered Sermon,” the second sermon preached by Peter in the Book of Acts. After the sign of Pentecost in Acts 2 and now following the sign of the lame man healed in Acts 3, we learn how these signs set the stage for sermons, wonders made way for the Word, miracles led to the message. The sermon shows that the sign itself was not the point but was meant to point to Jesus Christ. We will outline our sermon with four points that we first find in Peter’s sermon: 1. The God of Israel, 2. The Gravity of Sin, 3. The Glory of Christ, 4. The Gospel of Repentance.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How did the audience determine the introduction and content of Peter’s sermon? What specific things did Peter remind his Jewish audience about God? How should Peter’s gospel presentation impact how we share the gospel with others?
2. What were the three accusations that Peter brought against his hearers? What is Peter’s goal in bringing these accusations against them? How does the gospel confront sin in our own lives?
3. What were some of the titles that Peter used to describe Jesus in his sermon? Why did he use these particular titles?
4. What does Peter call his audience to do at the close of his sermon? How is repentance essential to salvation?
5. How do we ensure that we keep Christ at the center of our lives?

PRAY: Ask that the Holy Spirit would keep our gaze securely fixed on the beauty and glory of Jesus—that we would rejoice in the resurrection and would live our lives with Christ at the center.