

Cell notes for week beginning 15/05/11

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Acts 3

These questions are given as a guide. Please do not feel you have to read them out as written – make them your own in leading us through together. The important thing about our Word time is that we get to applying the Word to our lives and not just do a Bible study, so make sure that questions and prayer and ministry in response helps in this.

Word

Read Acts 3

Looking beyond the surface

Peter and John looked beyond the beggar's pleas for money and met a deeper need – of healing.

How do group members think that Peter and John were able to do this?

How can we do this? Look beyond expressed needs to deeper needs?

Would we step out in faith to minister to a person's deeper need, whether of healing or something else?

Getting to the heart

Peter not only looked beyond the surface in bringing healing to the beggar, but got to the heart of things with those who saw what happened.

What were the key things he talked about?

What can Peter's approach teach us about sharing our faith today?

Do any feel in need of help to live this lifestyle out?

Pray and minister to any who would value help in living it out.

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Welcome

Share something unusual which happened in a normal day – whether recent or past, good, bad or indifferent!

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Worship

“walking and jumping, and praising God” v9

Encourage group members to share things they want to praise God for. Perhaps sing or listen to a song of praise such as *'Praise is rising'* which reflects on God's working in our lives, and then encourage group members to bring their praise to God.

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Witness

Ask God for opportunities to minister his grace and healing to people and to then share the Gospel.