# "Such As I Have" Pastor David Hall, *Lifepoint Church*5.1.2022

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

## [Acts 3:1-10, NKJV]

¹ Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth *hour*. ² And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple; ³ who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. ⁴ And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us." ⁵ So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶ Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but **what I do have** I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." ⁴ And he took him by the right hand and lifted *him* up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. ⁵ So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God. ⁴ And all the people saw him walking and praising God. ¹ Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Meaning of "Beautiful Gate" = "the right time" gate

Religion will keep you in your cycle. It will not set you free.

When faith (Peter) and intimacy (John) come to church, you know something is going to happen.

Faith reaches up and takes it in the name of Jesus. What you don't have, tap into Heavenly Power.

Everything you need to fulfill the call of God in your life is already inside of you.

## **How Peter Went from Meek to Mighty—**

1. He was...FORGIVEN.

Don't stand in your own righteousness; stand in the Name of Jesus.

2. He was...FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

The Holy Spirit is in you for you to get to heaven; He is on you for you to get to others.

Jesus isn't come back for a church less powerful than the one He had birthed. He is coming back for a church that is powerful!

3. He was...FULL OF FAITH.

The faith wasn't just in the prayer, but it was in the reach. Faith puts no limitation on God, and God puts no limitation on faith.

#### FOR MONDAY—

- 1. Stir up your faith by spending time in Scripture and thanking God for His miracle-working power.
- 2. Pray and ask God for His provision in a specific area of your life. Remember that all we need is accessible through the Holy Spirit.

# TALK IT THROUGH

- 1. When you hear the phrase "such as I have" (Act 3:6), what perspective do you jump to: "what lacks" or "what one can bring?" How do you internalize this for your own life?
- 2. How does this passage apply to our own lives today?
- 3. Who is an example to you of someone who is limited in resources but abundant in faith and action?
- 4. What does heavenly provision look like, and how have you experienced it?
- 5. What are some cycles that need to be broken in your life or in your family?
- 6. In your week-to-week, how do you depend on the goodness and mercy of God?
- 7. What are your expectations when you come to church? How does faith and intimacy partner powerfully in the local church?
- 8. When you consider going from meek to mighty, what elements of Peter's life speak to you the most? Have you embraced each within your own life? What are some steps you can take to move forward in these within the church?