



Unit 30 | Session 1

## PETER PREACHED IN JERUSALEM

### Acts 2

The Holy Spirit had come down from heaven and filled Jesus' disciples. When the crowds gathered, they heard the disciples' voices speaking in their own language and did not understand what was going on.

Peter stood up and said, "I'll tell you what's happening." He reminded the people of something the prophet Joel had said long ago: "God says, 'I will pour out My Spirit on all people ... Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

Peter said, "Even though God planned for Jesus to die, you used lawless people to nail Him to a cross and kill Him. But death did not keep hold of Jesus; God raised Jesus back to life from the dead."

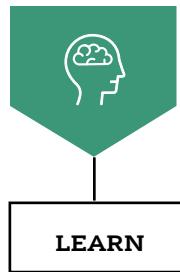
Then Peter said, "You have seen the truth: Jesus is alive! He went up to heaven to be with God the Father."

When the people heard Peter's words, they felt very sorry.

Peter told the people to repent, to turn away from their sins and to turn to God. "God will forgive your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Be baptized in the name of Jesus," he said.

Everyone who believed Peter's message was baptized. They learned what Jesus' disciples taught, broke bread together and prayed. And every day, more and more people were saved.

**Christ Connection:** Peter's sermon shows the Holy Spirit's power to save and change those who trust in Jesus. God used Peter to preach about Jesus to the crowd so that thousands of others would believe and be changed as well. All who believe in Jesus are changed and will never be the same.



## THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

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The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Write a T next to the sentences that are true from today's Bible story.

- Peter said that God did amazing miracles through Jesus.
- Peter told the people how it was not God's plan for Jesus to die.
- Peter said that Jesus is alive!
- The people did not feel sorry for Jesus' death.
- Peter told the people to repent and turn to God.
- Many people believed Peter's message and were baptized.
- The new believers were not generous with what they had.
- Every day, more and more people were saved.

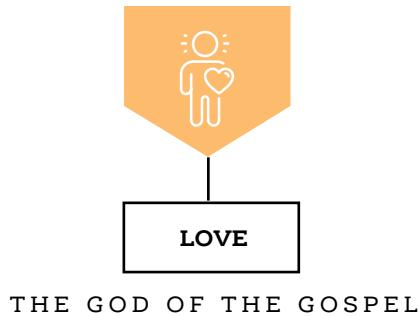
» What does this story teach us about God?

» How did these new believers show they now lived differently?

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### CHRIST CONNECTION

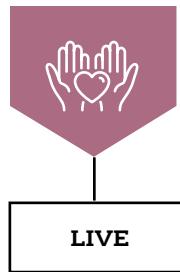
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- » Did Peter have power to save people? Why not?
- » Does a person have to respond when they hear the gospel? Why?
- » How does the Holy Spirit change those who trust in Jesus?

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## THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

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» Find Romans 10:14 in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, praising Him for the Spirit's power at work in you as you share Jesus with others.

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## READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 2:4-5	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 2:41-42
<input type="checkbox"/> Romans 10:16-17	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 1:18
<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 15:8-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 16:30-31



## Unit 30 | Session 2

# PETER HEALED A MAN

## Acts 3

One afternoon, two of Jesus' followers—Peter and John—went to the temple to pray. They saw a man sitting by the temple gate called Beautiful. Every day, the man's friends carried him to the temple because the man could not walk. As people entered the temple, the man asked them for money since he couldn't work.

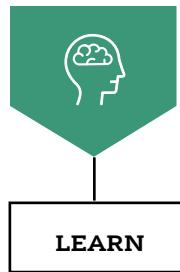
When the man saw Peter and John, he asked them for money. The man looked at Peter and John, expecting them to give him something.

Peter said, "I don't have any silver or gold for you, but I will give you what I do have." Then Peter said, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!"

All of a sudden, the man's feet and ankles were strong. He could walk! In fact, the man jumped and leaped around! He went into the temple, and he praised God. The people in the temple saw that the man

was healed, and they were filled with awe at what had happened to him.

**Christ Connection:** After Jesus returned to heaven, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to begin working. With the power of Jesus' name, Peter healed a man who was lame. Peter and John showed God's power and pointed to a greater, spiritual healing found in Jesus.



## THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

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The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

- » Retell today's Bible story by describing who was in the story, what happened, and how it happened. Look up Acts 3 if you need help.

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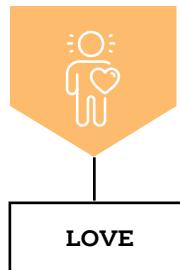
- » What does this story teach us about God?

- » How can God show His power through and in us?

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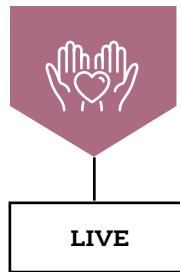


## THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

- » If Peter and John just gave the man money, would all of his needs be met? Why not?
- » The people at the temple were amazed at the man's healing. How can people see the power of God in our lives?
- » How was the man's healing used for God's glory?

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## THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

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» Write a prayer to God, asking Him for opportunities to tell others about Jesus this week.

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### **READ THE WORD**

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

- Psalm 72:12-13
- 1 Corinthians 2:3-5
- 2 Peter 1:3
- Ephesians 3:20-21
- Psalm 106:47
- 2 Timothy 1:8-9



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## PETER CONTINUED TO PREACH

### Acts 4

Peter and John were at the temple. Peter had healed a man and was preaching. The religious leaders came up to them. They were annoyed that Peter was teaching about Jesus, so they put Peter and John in jail until the next day. Still, many of the people who heard their message believed in Jesus and were saved.

The next day, the religious leaders got together along with the high priest and his family. Peter and John stood before them, and they asked, “By what power or in what name have you been healing and teaching?”

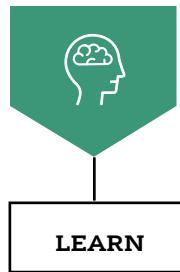
Peter was filled with the Holy Spirit. We want you and all the people of Israel to know that he was healed by the power of Jesus. You nailed Jesus to a cross, but God raised Him from the dead. It is because of Him that this man is healed!”

The religious leaders were amazed, and they didn't know what to say. They

ordered Peter and John to never preach or teach in the name of Jesus again.

Peter and John said, “We cannot be quiet. We must tell people about what we have seen and heard.” The religious leaders had no reason to punish Peter and John, so they let them go. Peter and John met with other believers and prayed that God would give them power to speak boldly and without fear.

**Christ Connection:** Peter continued to preach about Jesus even when it was difficult. Not even the religious leaders could stop Jesus' followers from sharing the good news about Jesus. The gospel is great news that we must share if we believe in Jesus Christ.



## THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

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The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Write where you can share the gospel and who you can share it with.

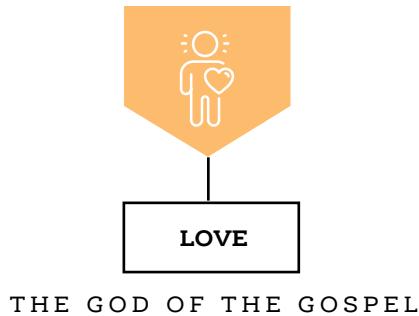
» What does this story teach us about God?

» How did Peter respond when the religious leaders told him to stop sharing the gospel?

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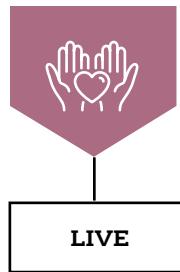
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- » How can we have boldness to share the gospel with others?
- » Why is sharing the good news of the gospel often met with rejection or hostility?
- » Peter preached the gospel to the religious leaders who rejected and crucified Jesus. How did this show the love of Jesus?

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## THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

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» Write a prayer to God, praising Him for the Holy Spirit and asking Him to help you share your faith boldly.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Luke 6:27-28	<input type="checkbox"/> Acts 28:28-31



Unit 30 | Session 4

## PETER CONFRONTED SIN

Acts 4-5

A large group of believers met together in Jerusalem. They shared everything they had. If someone had more than he needed, he gladly gave it away so everyone had what he needed. One man, Barnabas, sold a field and gave the money to the apostles. The apostles used the money to help people in need.

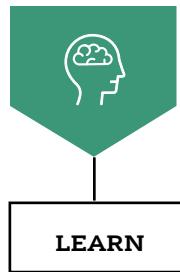
Ananias and his wife, Sapphira, sold some land and pretended to give all of the money to the apostles, but they kept some of it for themselves. When Ananias brought the money to the apostles, Peter asked him, “Why are you lying to the Holy Spirit? You could have been honest, but instead you lied—not to us, but to God.” When Ananias heard this, he fell down, died, and was buried.

About three hours later, Sapphira came to the apostles. She did not know what had happened to her husband. Peter asked her, “Is this all the money you got for the land?”

“Yes,” she said. “That’s all of it.”

Peter said, “Why did you and your husband agree to test the Lord?” Then Sapphira fell dead too. Great fear came on everyone in the church and all who heard about these things.

**Christ Connection:** Ananias and Sapphira wanted to look generous, but they were greedy and chose to lie. The Holy Spirit changes our hearts to want to share with those in need. Jesus generously gave all He had so we can share in His riches and have forgiveness and eternal life.



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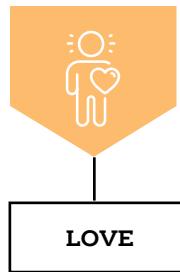
The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

- » Jesus generously gave His life to save us. Write three ways you can show generosity to others such as your parents, friends, or other people in your community.
  
- » What does this story teach us about God?
  
- » How was the work of the Holy Spirit seen in the early church?

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#### THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

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» Do we earn our salvation? Why not? How is God generous to us?

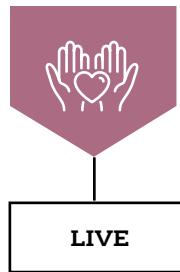
» How does giving to others show the love of Jesus?

» Why is honesty important in the life of a believer?

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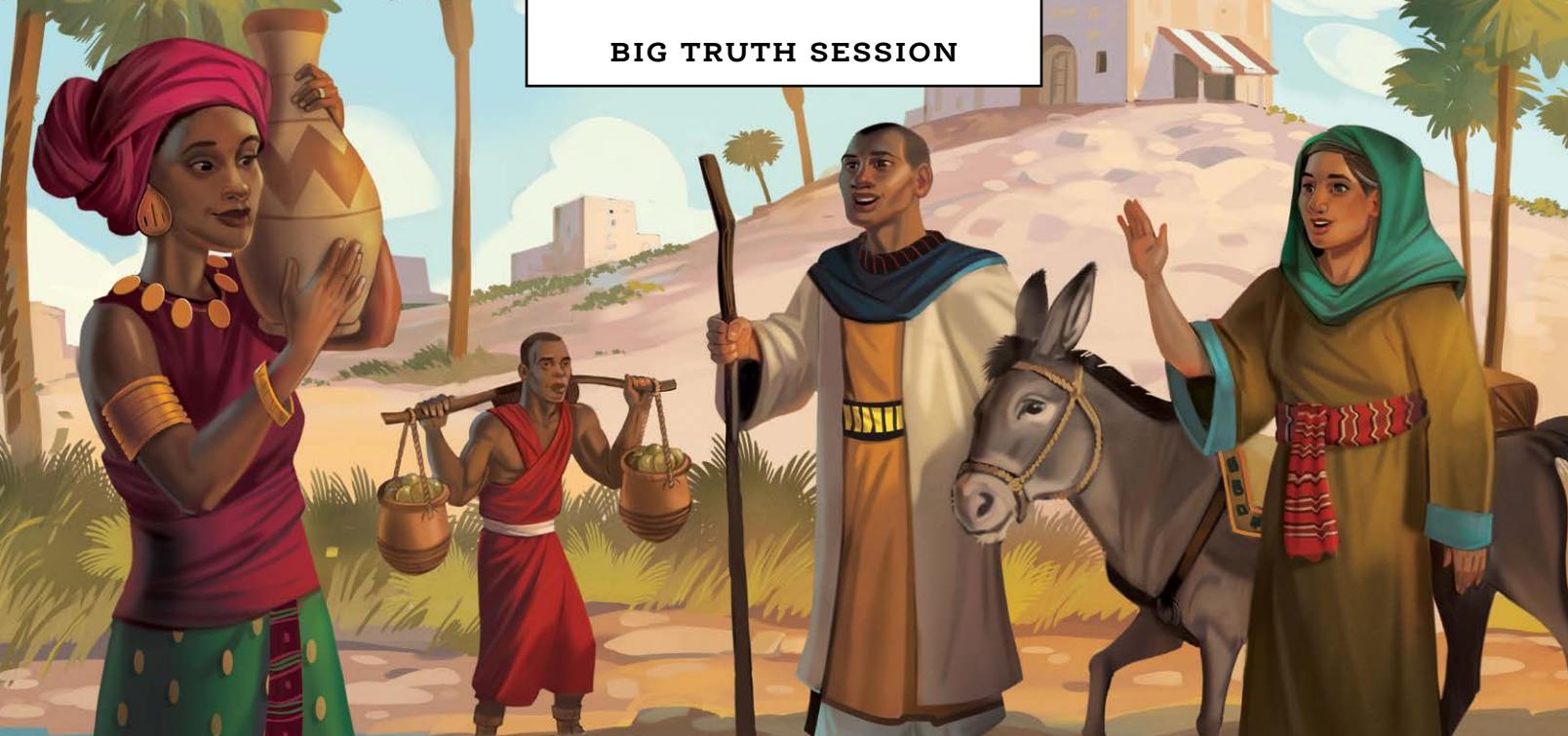
» Write a prayer to God, thanking Him for Jesus and asking Him to help you be generous.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 139:23-24	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Timothy 6:18



## Unit 30 | Session 5

# WE ARE TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT JESUS

## Romans 10

Paul was a believer whom God sent to tell other people about Jesus. Paul was in Corinth when he wrote a letter to Christians in Rome. Paul's letter to the Romans explains what it means to be a Christian.

In one part of his letter to the Romans, Paul wrote, "Friends, I want the Jews to be saved from their sins. I pray that this would happen. I know they want to please God; they try so hard. But they do not believe that people can only be saved by trusting in Jesus.

"This is the truth we must tell other people: If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

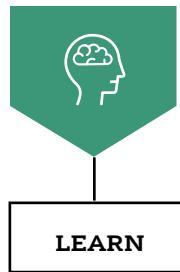
Then Paul explained why it is so important to tell others about Jesus: "Before people can trust in the Lord, they must believe in Him. And before

they can believe in Him, they must hear about Him. And for them to hear about Jesus, someone must tell them. And before someone can go and tell them, that person must be sent."

Paul shared the words spoken by the prophet Isaiah: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news."

Paul said again, "Faith comes from hearing the good news about Jesus, and people hear the good news when we tell them."

**Christ Connection:** Just as Jesus came into the world so that people might come to trust in Him and be saved from their sins, Jesus has sent the church throughout the world to tell others about the salvation that can only be found in Jesus Christ.



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» Jesus has sent the church to share the gospel throughout the whole world. Unscramble the words below and write them in the correct order of The Gospel: God's Plan for Me to help you share the gospel with others.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

JSUES GEVIS

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» What does this story teach us about God?

» How is a person saved?

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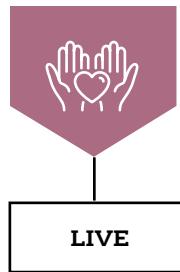
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- » Why do people need to be saved by faith in Jesus?
- » Can we leave sharing the gospel to missionaries and pastors only? Why not?
- » How does sharing the gospel show we love God and people?

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<input type="checkbox"/> Matthew 9:35-38	<input type="checkbox"/> Isaiah 52:7
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