

# WELCOME

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Discovery is a non-denominational Christian Church that seeks to lead people to discover and experience life, love and hope in Jesus Christ. These values drive our Sunday morning worship, community gatherings throughout the week, and the ministries we serve in.

## FALL MESSAGE SERIES

# 'CHURCH'

### A Study Through the Book of Acts

This week's message:

### "What Does a Crippled Man Expect, Anyway?"

ACTS 3: 1-10

Introduction:

A. "Many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles . . ." (Acts 2:43). Here's one—the incident of a crippled beggar being healed "at church."

B. There are several similarities in the expectations of the beggar at the temple and some people who "go to church" today.

I. He expected to **BE THERE**. Verse 2

II.. He expected to **RECEIVE SOMETHING**. Verse 3

III. He expected to **RECEIVE FROM PEOPLE**. Verse 5

IV. He expected to **RECEIVE WHAT HE HAD ALWAYS RECEIVED**.

### This Week's Reading Through Acts:

Sunday	<b>Acts 7</b>	Tuesday	<b>Acts 9</b>	Friday	<b>Acts 12</b>
Monday	<b>Acts 8</b>	Wednesday	<b>Acts 10</b>	Saturday	<b>Acts 13</b>
		Thursday	<b>Acts 11</b>		

## Community Group Discussion Guide

1. This is the story of a man, a beggar at the temple, who wouldn't ever forget this occasion of healing in the name of Jesus Christ. What do you remember receiving in the name of Jesus?  
A miracle? A provision? An answer to prayer? Forgiveness?
2. Do you remember when you accepted Jesus Christ or became a Christian? Share your story. What was that like for you?
3. The beggar went to the temple daily? What do you think his motive may have been?  
(survival, habit, time filler, relationships, worship, etc.)
4. Why do you "go to church?"—really!!  
What is your motivation?  
  
What do you expect to receive?  
  
What do you have to offer?
5. If you could be a part of a "me church," what would you want it to offer you.?
6. What is the rationale for some people not "getting involved" or staying Connected with the church?  
What have you heard?  
What have you said?  
Which of these has really been true for you?
7. When the beggar in Acts 3 trusted Jesus for healing, he didn't need his cup anymore. When you came to Jesus, what did you leave behind?

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