

## **Journey Group Study Guide**

### **Changing Channels: Up Close and Personal With Jesus!**

Acts 3:1-4:31

For the week of September 27, 2009

#### **Warming Up**

How would you define the word "miracle"?

What was the last miracle you observed in your own life, or in that of someone you know?

#### **In Full Stride**

Read Acts 3:1-19

Who are the key people in this passage and how did they intersect with each other?

What did Peter offer the man, and how was his gift received?

What was the response of the people after they saw the man with his gift?

Peter used this miracle to preach about Jesus. What did he tell the crowd?

Read Acts 4:1-4

How did the authorities respond to the message of Peter and John?

How did the people respond to the message of Peter and John?

Why do you think there was such a difference in the responses, when they all heard the same message?

Read Acts 4:7-13

What are the High Priest and his family trying to obtain from Peter and John?

How did Peter and John answer?

Read Acts 4:23 & 31

The boldness of Peter and John came from what source?

How do we have the same opportunity to show our boldness for Jesus?

## **For The Road**

What do you think is missing in today's church as it relates to ministering to others in need and what can we do to meet the needs?

When is it proper to come on strong against a person's sin, like Peter did in verse Acts 3:13-15?

Read Romans 3:23

Why is it important to realize that we are a sinner before we can become a follower of Jesus?

How has repentance and turning to God brought "times of refreshing" to you?

How can your testimony be used as a means of encouraging others to come to Christ?

What is the most persecution you have experienced due to your faith?

Read Romans 13:1-4

How do you reconcile Peter's response in Acts with what Paul says in Romans?

Read I Corinthians 1:26-31

What is your personal response to this passage?

## **Extra Mile**

Re-read Acts 3:1 through 4:31 each day this week and write down what God impresses upon your heart after each reading.

What steps could you take that would allow the Holy Spirit to use you to minister to others?

Memorize Acts 3:6 this week and be ready to share with your group.