

## *Questions for Reflection and Discussion*

### **Acts 3:1-10**

#### ***Better than Gold***

#### ***Background***

In Acts 2 Luke records the coming of the Holy Spirit, and Peter's sermon. About 3000 people were converted. The early church is off to a solid start, full of vitality and engaged in mission.

#### ***Digging In***

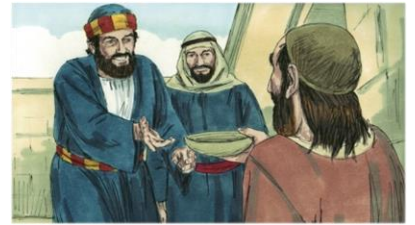
1. **Read Ac 3:1-10.** Write a brief summary of what happens in these verses.

2. How long had the beggar been a cripple? (3:2; 4:22)

3. Pause for a moment and reflect on his situation. What would it have been like in that day to be crippled?

4. Why do you think he was begging at the gate called Beautiful?

5. What did he expect to happen when Peter caught his attention?



6. What do you think would have been his first response to the words of Peter in v. 6?

7. Write a paraphrase of Peter's statement in v. 6. How did he credit Jesus for the healing?

8. How was the man healed? Include some details in your answer?

9. What was the beggar's response when he realized he really was healed?

10. How did the onlookers respond?

#### ***Getting Personal***

- In what ways can you relate to the situation of the beggar **before** he was healed?
- In what ways can you relate to the beggar **after** he was healed?
- How can we follow the beggar's example of deep gratitude and exuberant praise for what God has done for us? Give several examples.