

A photograph of five candles in various shades of purple and white, with one lit, set against a background of bokeh lights and a festive wreath. The candles are arranged in a row, with the lit candle on the left. The background is dark with warm, out-of-focus lights. In the foreground, there is a festive wreath with pine needles, red berries, and green leaves.

# Faith in Jesus

Acts 3:11-21

## Acts 3:16

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Acts 3:11-21

1. Wholeness – from where?
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3. Wholeness – When?

# Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

## a) Looking for Human Saviors (3:11-12)

*“While he was holding on to Peter and John, all the people, greatly amazed, ran toward them in what is called Solomon’s Colonnade...”*

## Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

a) Looking for Human Saviors (3:11-12)

*“...When Peter saw this, he addressed the people: “Men of Israel, why are you amazed at this? Or why do you stare at us, as though we had made him walk by our own power or godliness?”*”

Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

How can we ensure that the people can see that it is God's power that undergrids our accomplishments?

Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

...Regarding our reaction to compliments and criticism

Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

b) Rejecting the Divine Savior (3:13-15)

*“The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you **handed over and denied** in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release Him.*



# Wholeness – from where?

## Acts 3:11-15

b) Rejecting the Divine Savior (3:13-15)

...<sup>14</sup> *But you denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you.*

# Wholeness – from where?

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b) Rejecting the Divine Savior (3:13-15)

*<sup>15</sup> You killed the source of life, whom God raised from the dead; we are witnesses of this.*

# Wholeness – from where?

Acts 3:11-15

What are some ways that our personal limitations can serve as a basis for bringing glory to God?

-regarding what others see in us

-regarding what we alone see in ourselves



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Wholeness – from whom?

Acts 3:16-18

a) Jesus' Name, Our Faith (3:16)

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What steps can we take to stay mindful of the ways God has shown his power in our lives?

- In our worship
- In our families
- In our private devotions

# Wholeness – from whom?

## Acts 3:16-18

- a) Jesus' Name, Our Faith (3:16)
- b) **Jesus' Payment, Our Debts (3:17-18)**



## Jesus' Payment (3:17-18)

*“And now, brothers, I know that you did it in ignorance, just as your leaders also did. 18 But what God predicted through the mouth of all the prophets—that His Messiah would suffer—He has fulfilled in this way.*

# Wholeness - When?

Acts 3:19-21

a) Beginning with Repentance (3:19-20)

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*Therefore **repent and turn back**, so that your sins may be wiped out, that seasons of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send Jesus, who has been appointed for you as the Messiah.*

# Wholeness - When?

Acts 3:19-21

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What should others see in us as evidence of genuine repentance?

- Regarding changed speech patterns
- Regarding changed behavior
- Regarding changed goals
- Regarding changed attitudes

# Wholeness - When?

## Acts 3:19-21

- a) Beginning with Repentance (3:19-20)
- b) Finished at the End of the Age (3:21)

## Finished at the End of the Age (3:21)

*... Heaven must welcome Him until **the times of the restoration of all things**, which God spoke about by the mouth of His holy prophets from the beginning.*

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# Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, May our wholeness life reflect  
Your renewal of creation. In Jesus' name, Amen