

The Birth of the Christian Church

4. THE CHURCH ENGAGING THE CULTURE – Acts 3:1 – 4:4

A DEMONSTRATION OF GOD’S POWER AND LOVE (vs 3:1-10)

Awareness “a crippled man from birth...”

Attention “Peter looked straight at him”

Affection “Look at us”

Assurance “In the name of Jesus Christ”

Assistance “Taking him by the right hand”

Acceptance “he went with them...”

A PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S POWER AND LOVE (vs 3:11-26)

The People were Curious

The Disciples were Contrite

The Gospel was Conveyed

The Lord was Commended

The Truth was Communicated

THE IRRITATION OF GOD’S POWER AND LOVE (vs 4:1-3)

The World was Provoked

The Disciples were Persecuted

THE CELEBRATION OF GOD’S POWER AND LOVE (vs 4:4)

“But many who heard the message believed and the number of men grew to about five thousand.”