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ACTS

PART IV: IT'S IN YOUR HANDS

Acts 3:1-6 (NIV). One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk."

Extraordinary things can happen in ordinary places, when we use what we have in our everyday lives.

REMEMBER: We experience the power of His resurrection taking daily steps of faith with what we have at hand.

2 Peter 1:3 (NLT). By his divine power, <u>God has given us everything we need for living a godly life</u>. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence.

THE MOVEMENT ADVANCES WITH WHAT YOU HAVE IN YOUR HAND:

1. WHAT YOU [HAVE]...

Exodus 4:2: "What is that in your hand?"

Mark 6:38: "How much bread do you have?"

2 Kings 4:2: "Tell me, what do you have in your house?"

QUESTION: What is it that I have in my hands that God can use today to fulfill his purposes in me?

2. PUT IT IN GOD'S [HANDS].

Steps of obedience in faith opens the storehouse from which the power of God flows.

James 2:17 (NLT). So, you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

QUESTION: What small step of obedience can I take today in faith to see the miracle that I'm looking for?

3. WATCH GOD [AT WORK].

Acts 3:8-10 (NLT). He jumped up, stood on his feet, and began to walk! Then, walking, leaping, and praising God, he went into the Temple with them. All the people saw him walking and heard him praising God. When they realized he was the lame beggar they had seen so often at the Beautiful Gate, they were absolutely astounded!

We never know how our small step of obedience can unleash the miracle in someone else's story.

Matthew 5:16 (NLT). In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

QUESTION: Who could be waiting for my obedience so that their miracle could be unleashed?

Living in the power of His resurrection is not about having more; it is about trusting God with what we have at hand today.

