

It's Time to Get Up

Main Scripture: Acts 3:1-16, 19

Additional Scriptures: Romans 6:1-4, Ephesians 2:4-6

Hearing: Discussion Questions

- **Read Acts 3:1-10.** Pastor Mike talked about how the beggar at the gate was settling for gold and silver when God wanted to give him new legs! Try to think about your own life and see in what aspects of life are you settling. Where are you settling in your life? How has God called you to more in those areas? What “new legs” do you think God has for you in those areas of your life?
- “The resurrection was a revolutionary and subversive doctrine that challenged the status quo.” In what ways is the resurrection subversive? Is it still subversive today? Why or why not?
- How do *you* put the doctrine of the resurrection into practice here in Gainesville? How about around the world?
- Pastor Mike spent some time explaining the beggar’s paralysis and then exhorted us to figure out what our paralysis, whether it be physical, emotional, or spiritual was. Take some time in smaller groups and pray about your personal paralysis and pray that God would bring healing and restoration.
- **Read Romans 6:1-10.** When Jesus rose, you rose with Him! With Jesus, you have access to things you did not have access to before. Discuss what some of the benefits are and things that are now accessible through Christ other than eternal life now that you have been raised up with Jesus.
- Pastor Mike gave a few examples of people who are “using their legs” that God gave them, like Cris Rivero producing a CD with songs from people from First Assembly to help Project Rescue. Discuss some of the gifts and talents that you have and how you can “use your legs” to help further the Kingdom.

Doing: Application

- For international resurrection implementation, some great places to start are at organizations like www.kiva.org (microloans – join the community First Assembly if you do sign up!), www.projectrescue.com (sex slavery), www.compassion.com (needy children) to name just a few. If you have a heart for a specific cause and don’t know where to start, email Pastor Matt at mulrich@first-assembly.org and he can help you find a way to partner internationally and contribute as a small group.
- Make a concerted effort this week to figure out a plan for “using your legs” for the Kingdom. Have everyone come back next week with a plan on how they are going to use their gifts, talents, and abilities for the Kingdom!