**Murray Baptist Church – April 28, 2020 / Acts 3:12-26 – Accountability in the midst of Amazement**

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| **Verse(s)** | **Focus** | **Connections** | **Takeaways** |
| 12 | Peter is talking to a predominately Jewish audience | Peter understands his audience and how to connect to them but he is also starting to make a point about their role in Jesus death starting in vs. 13 | God get the glory for it is his power on display through us |
| 13 | Who the Jewish people recognize God to be – the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob  Handed over…disowned  Decided to let him go | Exodus 3:6, 15  A theophany – is a visible manifestation of God to humankind  See similar language Acts 2:23-24; 10:39-40  Pilate tried to release Jesus 3 times – Luke 23: 4, 16, 22 | Part of the Jewish understanding of God as portrayed Scripture but also who God reveals himself to be in Scripture  Luke points to group accountability |
| 14 | Holy and Righteous one | “Holy One” is a proper title for God (Lev. 11:44-45; Ps. 77:41; 98:5; 102:1) |  |
| 15 | Author of life | Contrasts against the one who murders or takes life away |  |
| 16 | This verse is challenging | Luke struggles to connect the healing with the faith of the man being healed although we are not privy to that connection being made based on what was written  Luke connect faith to healing/salvation several times (Luke 5:20; 7:9, 50; 8:12, 25, 48, 50; Acts 14:9) | The power to heal was originated by God |
| 17 | Acted in ignorance (includes the leaders) | Luke shows readers there were mitigating circumstances causing the first rejection of salvation, opening the door for them to have a second opportunity at Salvation through Christ’s representatives  Luke 23:34 – Father forgive them… | God is a God of another chance, not just a second chance. |
| 18 | Prophecy fulfilled – suffering and resurrection | Luke 1:1; 24:26-27, 44-46; Acts 17:2-3 |  |
| 19 | Repent – Metanoeo  Sins wiped out…sins blotted out  Times of refreshing | Metanoeo  The word for repent in Greek is metanoeo (pronounced met-an-o-eh’-o). It means to think differently or afterwards, i.e. reconsider.  There are steps in metanoeo   1. New Knowledge 2. Regret for previous course, displeasure with self, and 3. A change of action   Understanding metanoeo is the foundation of conversion.  The only that uses blotted out in the sense the Luke anticipates is found in Isaiah 43:35  Meaning is unclear as this is the only time it occurs in the Bible as Luke does not connect the people’s conversion to their refreshment | The idea of repentance is a more thoughtfully engaged process than most people think. It is not a decision to be entered into at the spur of the moment but one that is engaged thoughfully |
| 20 | Messiah… appointed for you | Not necessarily concept of predestination but rather Jesus is the “one who stands chosen by God.” |  |
| 21 | Heaven must receive | Speaks to the Ascension (Acts 1:9-11) | Jesus return is promised in the same manner as when he ascended |
| 22 | Restores everything | Was this this restoration of all the things that God spoke of (emphasis is on prophecy) or restoration in terms of things after his death going back “normal” after his death – we aren’t sure |  |
| 23 | Raise up a prophet | Emphasis is on obeying, not just hearing |  |
| 24 | Challenging verse | Not sure of the specifics being referred to |  |
| 25 | Heirs/children of the prophets | Implies a special status – see Romans 9:4-5 |  |
| 26 | God raised up… servant/son  Send first to you | Connects to the one raised in v. 22  The offer of salvation first to Jews, then Gentiles | The rejection of Christ by the Jewish people opened the door of salvation to all |