

HOW REVIVAL ACTS

Acts 3:9-18



FIRED UP

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10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.
11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.
12 And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?
13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.
14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did *it*, as *did* also your rulers.

18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.



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“...and praising God.”

Isa. 35:6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

Luke 5:24 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

b. The Multitude, 3:9-11

(1) Their Astonishment, 3:9-10

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Real Christianity is a “happening.”

Rom. 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

2 Cor. 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

(2) Their Assembly, 3:11

Acts 3:11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

Jn. 10:23 Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.

c. The Message, 3:12-26

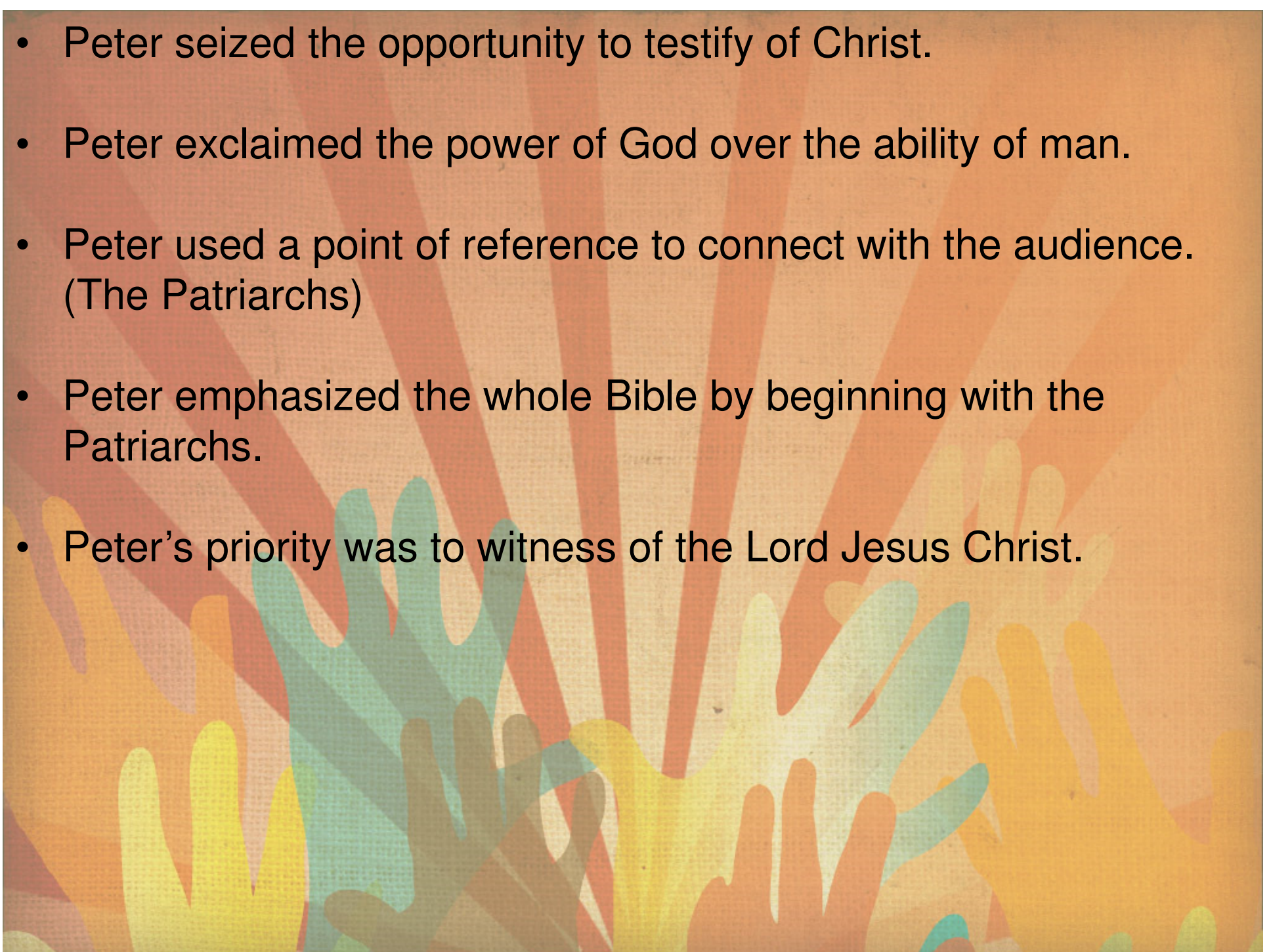
(1) The Rejection of Christ, 3:12-15a

(a) The Sadness of It, 3:12-13

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13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, **hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.**

- Peter seized the opportunity to testify of Christ.
- Peter exclaimed the power of God over the ability of man.
- Peter used a point of reference to connect with the audience.
(The Patriarchs)
- Peter emphasized the whole Bible by beginning with the Patriarchs.
- Peter's priority was to witness of the Lord Jesus Christ.



Parallel Verses

New International Version

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified **his servant Jesus**. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go.

English Standard Version

The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified **his servant Jesus**, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.

New American Standard Bible

"The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified **His servant Jesus**, the one whom you delivered and disowned in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release Him.

Holman Christian Standard Bible

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.

King James Bible

The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified **his Son Jesus**; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.

Original Word: παῖς, παιδός

Transliteration: pais, paidos

Short Definition: a boy or girl child

país – a child *under training* (*strict oversight*), emphasizing their *ongoing development* necessary to reach their *highest* (*eternal*) *destiny*.

<http://biblehub.com/greek/3816.htm>

Acts 4:27 For of a truth against thy **holy child Jesus**, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, ...

30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy **holy child Jesus**.

The context of Peter's sermon in Acts 3:12-15 is the importance of the Resurrection.

Rom. 1:3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

4 And **declared to be the Son of God** with power, according to the spirit of holiness, **by the resurrection from the dead**:

(b) The Seriousness of It, 3:14

Acts 3:14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

(c) The Sinfulness of It, 3:15a “And killed the Prince of life...”

(2) The Resurrection of Christ, 3:15b-18

(a) The Proof of It, 3:15b “...whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.”

(b) The Power of It, 3:16

Acts 3:16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

(c) The Prophecy of It, 3:17-18

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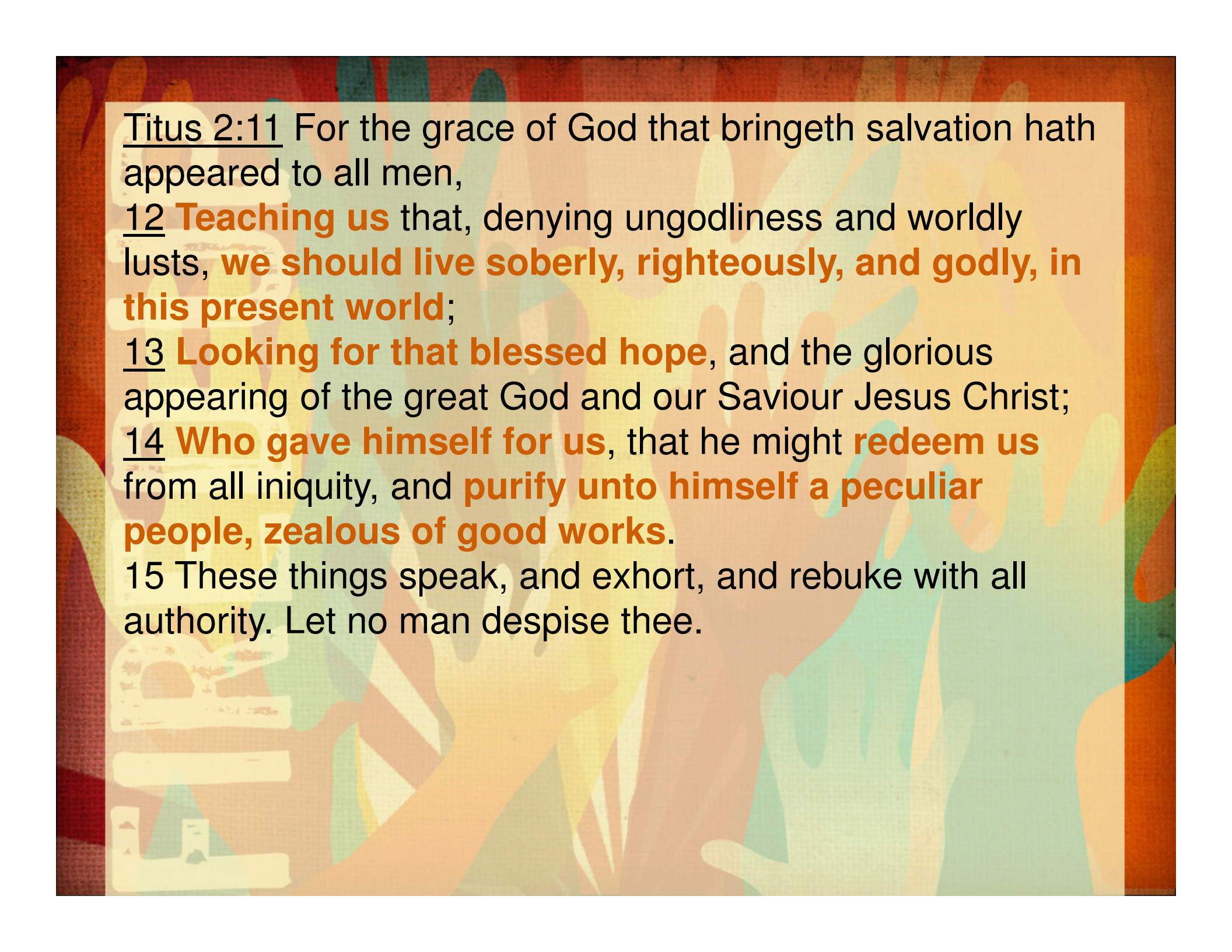
- Spiritual ignorance is the perpetual problem of mankind in every generation.
- Peter referenced the “whole Bible” in order to effectively witness for Christ.
- To know the Bible is imperative for all believers if we want to be effective witnesses for Christ.

Conclusion

Zech. 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and **they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him**, as one mourneth for *his* only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

11 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.



Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

12 **Teaching us** that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, **we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;**

13 **Looking for that blessed hope**, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 **Who gave himself for us**, that he might **redeem us** from all iniquity, and **purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**

15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.