

## Lessons from the Apostle Peter and Dorcas

Acts 9:32-43

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### I. Lessons from the Apostle Peter

It was by miraculous healing that the Jesus was approved of God among men. So, it was by miraculous healing that God bore witness to the A\_\_\_\_\_ that they were His representatives. (Act.2:22; Heb.2:3-4; 2Co.12:12)

Aenaes, a man apparently without f\_\_\_\_\_, was healed c\_\_\_\_\_ and instantaneously. (Act.9:33-34; 3:1-9)

This healing by the Apostle Peter was in order that men might before the N.T. was given b\_\_\_\_\_ upon Jesus Christ as God's Son, the o\_\_\_\_ Savior. (Act.9:35)

The saints must be taught by these who were taught by Christ. These m\_\_\_\_\_ were the Apostles' credentials that THEY were the ones to do it. (Act.2:42-43; 9:32)

### II. Lessons from Dorcas:

Death i\_\_ certain. It isn't a matter of "if", but, "what t\_\_\_\_?" We never know when! (Act.9:37-38; Heb.9:27; Luke.12:16-21)

It is our privilege to pray unto our God while there is h\_\_\_\_! (Act.9:3 ). Don't count on a second chance after you have died! N\_\_\_\_ is the time to trust the Lord, to serve Him! Act.9:39-40; 2Co.6:2)

Dorcas' good works were not forgotten by the saints, nor by G\_\_\_\_. What will be remembered about you? (Act.9:39; Heb.6:10)

**Colossians 3: 23** And whatsoever ye do, do *it* h\_\_\_\_\_, as to the Lord, and not unto men; **24** Knowing that of the Lord ye s\_\_\_\_\_ receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye s\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord Christ.

The widows' needs gave opportunity for the Dorcas to display her l\_\_\_\_\_ to Christ. Our needs do the same. (Act.9:39; 1Co.12:20-27; Joh.13:34-35; 1Jo.3:16-19)

Dorcas' example reminds us of what o\_\_\_\_\_ to be true of us now. (Act.9:36; Mar.14:9)

If you want an addiction, have the one that Dorcas had. It was not d\_\_\_\_\_, but constructive. It was not selfish, but s\_\_\_\_\_. Its reward was not temporal, but e\_\_\_\_\_. (Act.9:36,39; 1Co.16:15; Mat.6:19-33)

We must not take for granted the blessing of p\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord has given to serve us. We cannot be giving thanksgiving to God for them if we do not take t\_\_\_\_\_ to recognize who they are. (Act.9:41; 1Ti.2:1)

These things happened then and are preached to you today that you may believe on Jesus as y\_\_\_\_\_ Lord and Savior! (Act.9:42; Joh.20:30-31; Mat.7:23)

**Galatians 6: 2** Bear ye one another's burdens, and so f\_\_\_\_\_ the law of Christ... **9** And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, i\_\_ we faint not. **10** As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto a\_\_\_\_\_ *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of f\_\_\_\_\_.