THE LIFE-GIVING POWER OF CHRIST

ACTS 9:32-43

AUGUST 4, 2024

- I. Restoration: Christ, Through Peter, Raises Aeneas (9:32-35)
 - A. Peter Follows Christ's Example to Show that Christ is the Healer (Luke 5:24; John 5:8)
 - B. Christ's Mighty Work Leads Many to Turn to Him (9:35)
- II. Resuscitation: Christ, Through Peter, Raises Tabitha (9:36-43)
 - A. Peter Follows Christ's Example to Show that Christ is the Healer (9:39-41; 1 Kings 17:19; 2 Kings 4:10ff; Mark 5:41)
 - B. Christ's Mighty Work Leads Many to Believe in Him (9:41-43; 1:3)
- III. Regeneration: Christ Raises the Spiritually Dead Through the Preaching of the Gospel Attested to by Mighty Works
 - A. Both Signs Point to New Resurrection Life in Christ (9:34, 39; 2:31-32)
 - B. Christ Continues Raising the (Spiritually) Dead Through the Preaching of the Gospel (John 11:25-26; Col 2:13-14)

<u>Reflection and Application Questions (for personal reflection and family conversation):</u>

- 1. Who healed Aeneas and Tabitha? Who gets the glory for their healing?
- 2. What do these healings teach us about our salvation in Christ?
- 3. What are the similarities and differences between these physical healings and the work that Christ does when granting a spiritually dead person new life in himself?