1. The early Christian community
   a) Acts 2:42
      i) Teaching (in the Temple v.46)
      ii) Fellowship
      iii) Breaking of bread (communion and meals)
      iv) Prayers
   b) Think about your local church. Which of these elements are high priority and which ones need greater emphasis?
   c) What other characteristics of the early Christian community are noted in Acts 2:43–45?

2. The healing of a lame man
   a) Acts 3:1–10, what parts of this story impact you the most?
   b) Acts 3:12–26, Peter noticed the reaction of the crowd and seized the opportunity to preach about Jesus. What are the key points he emphasized?
   c) In less than 3 minutes, a former fisherman presented a compelling Christ-centered appeal to his hearers. Was his response spontaneous or prepared? Matthew 10:18–20

3. The rise of opposition
   a) Acts 4:1–12, Peter and John arrested and testify
   b) Acts 4:13–18, the response of the Jewish leaders
   c) Acts 4:19–20, Peter’s powerful testimony
   e) Share a time when someone tried to intimidate you as a follower of Jesus.

4. Ananias and Sapphira
   a) The context, Acts 4:32–37
   b) The attempted deception, Acts 5:1–2
   c) The tragic consequences, Acts 5:1–10
   d) How did this incident in the early Christian church impact those who witnessed or heard it? Acts 5:11

5. Supernatural manifestations
   a) Acts 5:12–16, how do you respond to these supernatural manifestations?
   b) Why were the religious leaders indignant? Acts 5:17–18
   c) Acts 5:19–23, supernatural deliverance
   d) Acts 5:24–33, continued opposition provides another opportunity for a powerful testimony
   e) Acts 5:34–40, what important lessons can we learn from the testimony of Gamaliel, one of the distinguished teachers of Saul of Tarsus?
   f) How did the apostles respond to the fierce and relentless opposition of the Jewish leaders? Acts 5:41–42
   g) How does this story impact your life today?