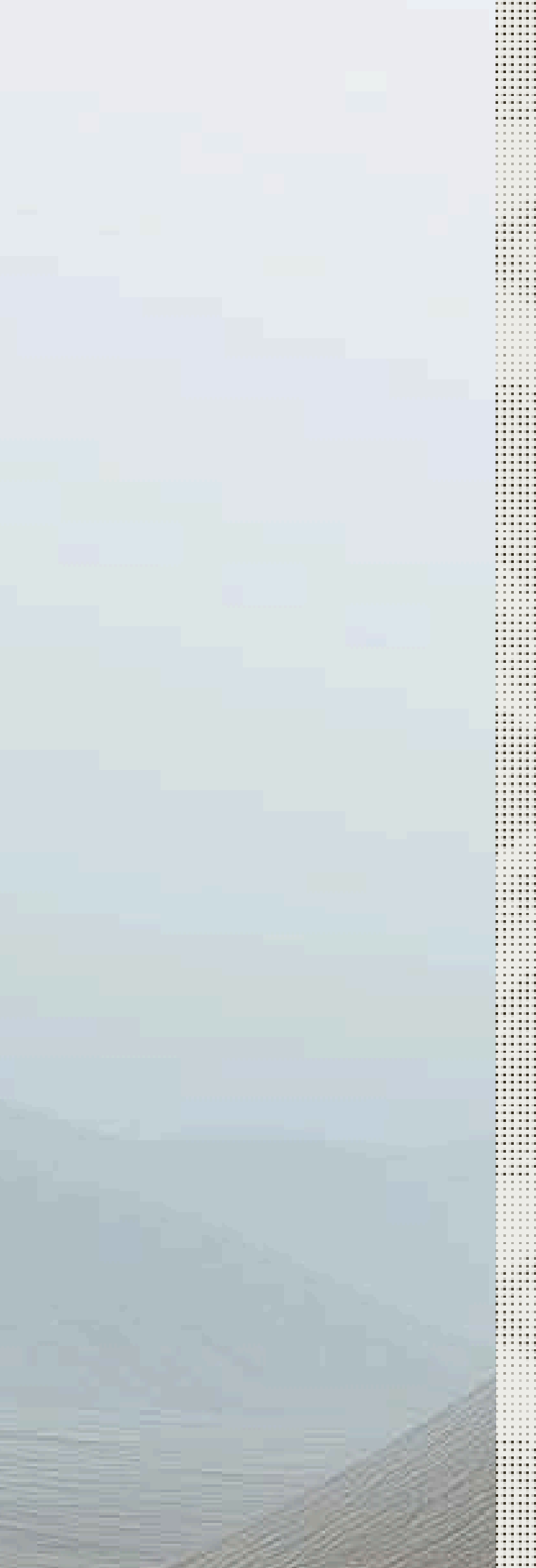


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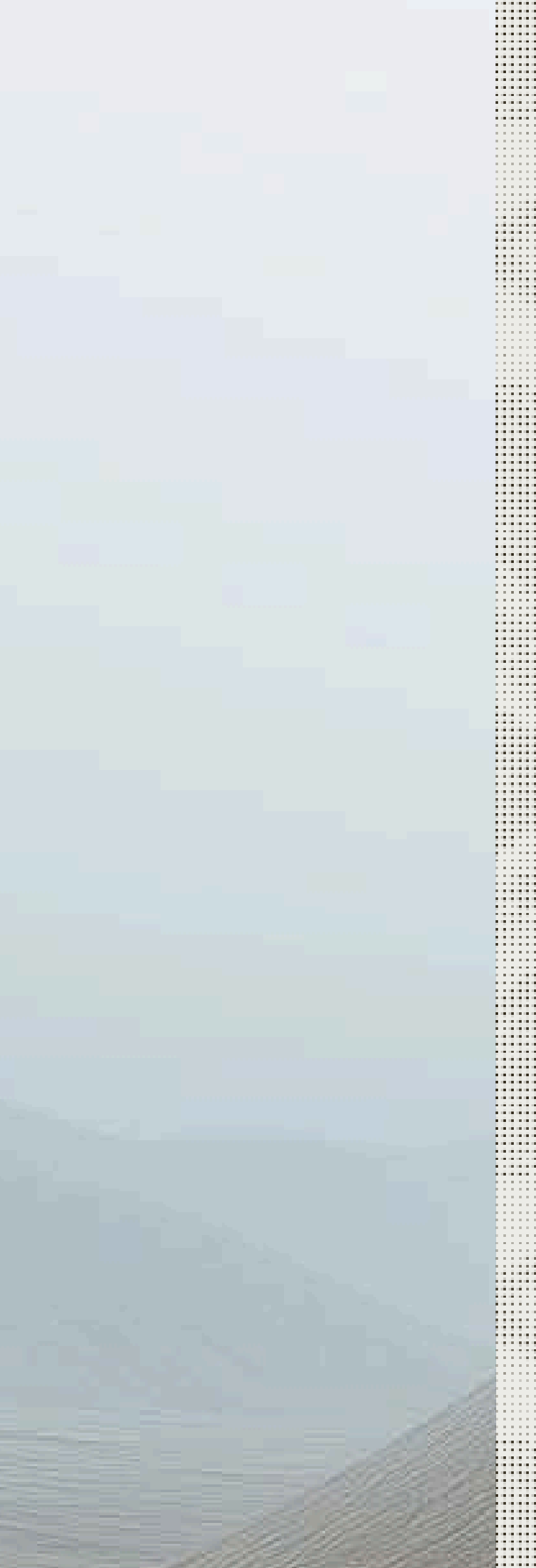
HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?



One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon.<sup>2</sup> Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts.<sup>3</sup> When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money.<sup>4</sup> Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!”<sup>5</sup> So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.<sup>6</sup> Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you.

**ACTS 3:1-10 NIV**

In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”<sup>7</sup> Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong.<sup>8</sup> He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God.<sup>9</sup> When all the people saw him walking and praising God,<sup>10</sup> they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.



While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade.<sup>12</sup> When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?"

<sup>16</sup> By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

**ACTS 3:11-12; 16 NIV**



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ACTS 3

**A Lame Man  
is Healed**

**Many Lost  
Souls Saved**

**Ordinary Men doing  
Remarkable Things**



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## | The Examination

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**ACTS 4:1-4 NIV**



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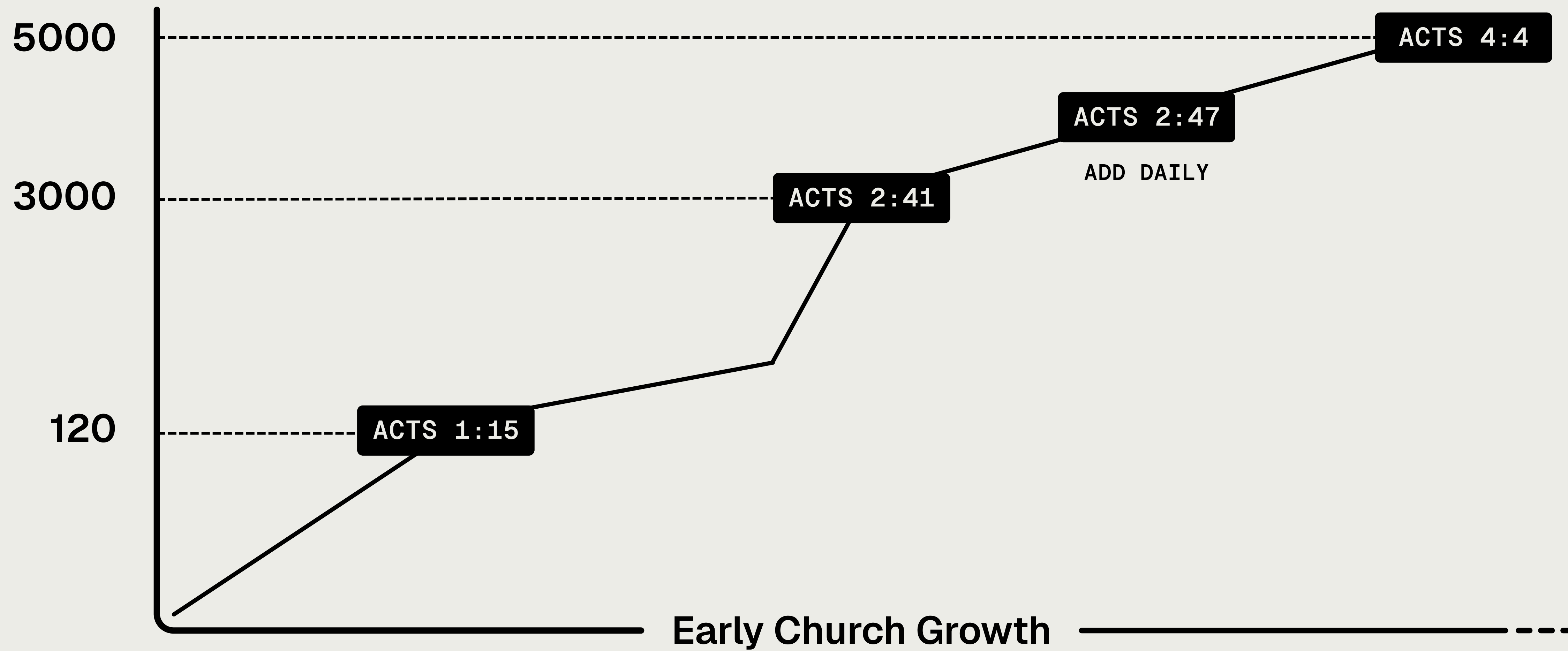
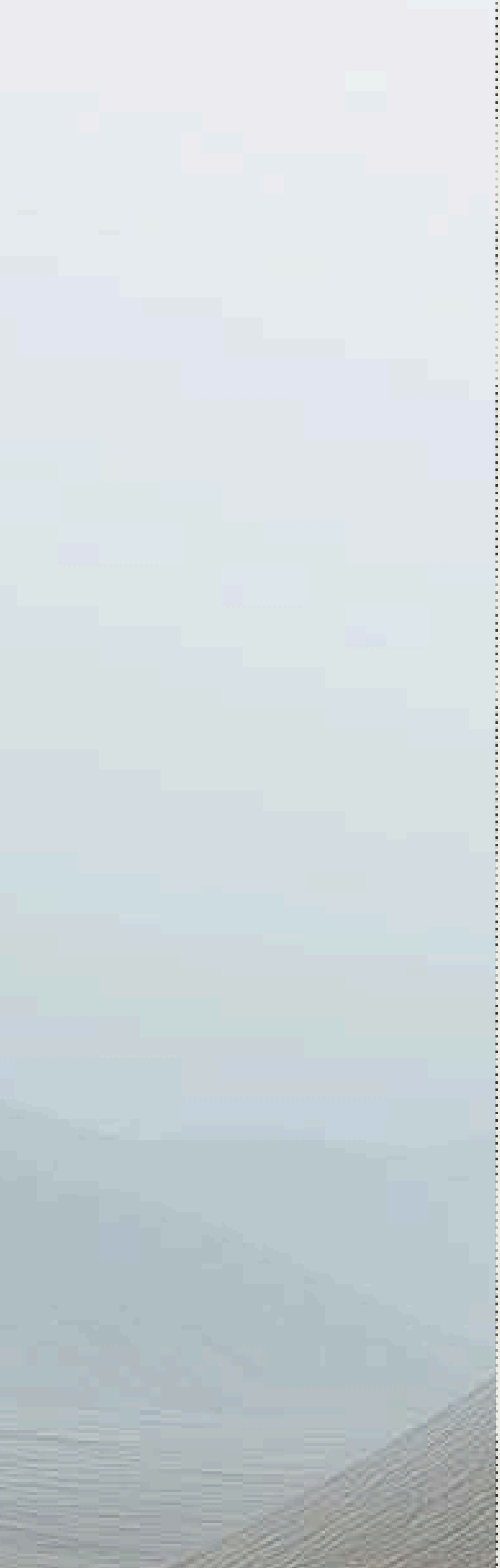
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**KENT HUGHES**  
ACTS: THE CHURCH AFIRE





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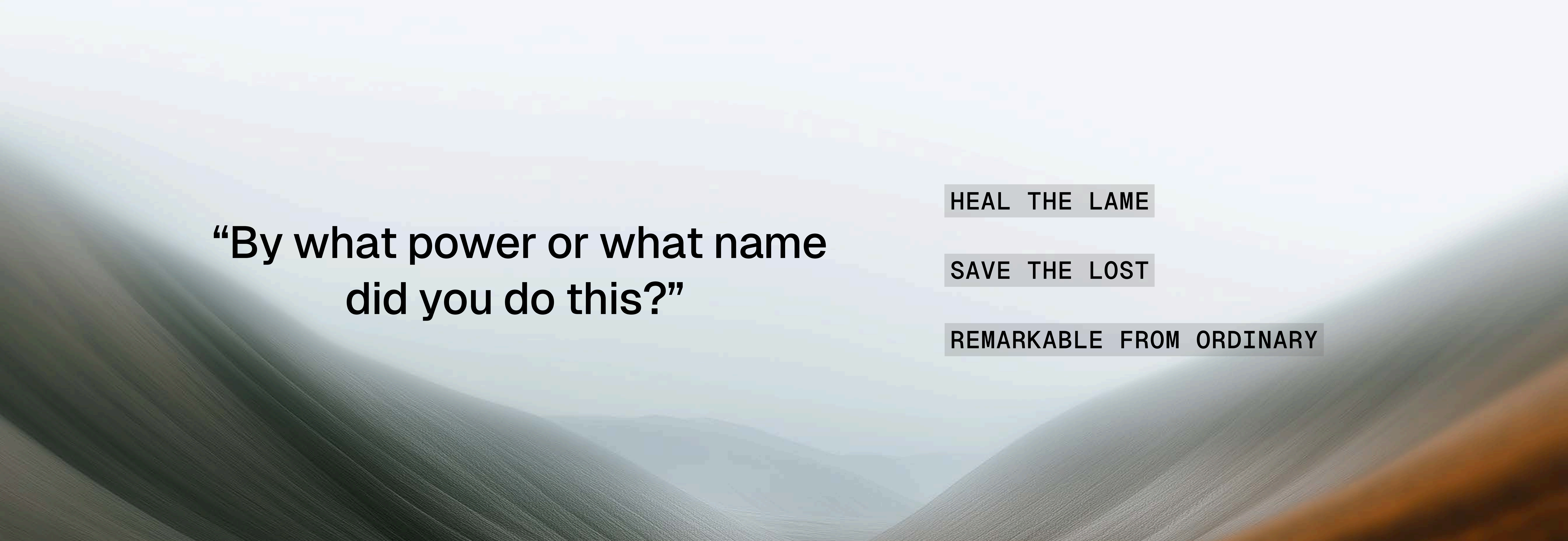
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The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem.<sup>6</sup> Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family.<sup>7</sup> They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: **“By what power or what name**

**did you do this?”**

ACTS 4:5-7 NIV



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**HEAL THE LAME**

**SAVE THE LOST**

**REMARKABLE FROM ORDINARY**



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Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people!<sup>9</sup> If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed,<sup>10</sup> then know this, you and all the people of Israel: **It is by the name of Jesus Christ** of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.<sup>11</sup> Jesus is “the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.”

ACTS 4:8-11 NIV



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## THE NAME OF JESUS IN ACTS 3-4

Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the **name of Jesus** Christ of Nazareth, walk.”

ACTS 3:6 NIV

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ACTS 3:16 NIV

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ACTS 4:7 NIV

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ACTS 4:10 NIV

“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other **name** under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

ACTS 4:12 NIV

But to stop this thing from spreading any further among the people, we must warn them to speak no longer to anyone in this **name.**<sup>18</sup> Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the **name of Jesus.**

ACTS 4:17-18 NIV



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ACTS 4:12 NIV

JOHN 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his  
one and only son so that whoever believes  
in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



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Christ to NWA and the world.



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But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say.<sup>15</sup> So they ordered them to withdraw from the Sanhedrin and then conferred together.<sup>16</sup> “What are we going to do with these men?” they asked. “Everyone living in Jerusalem knows they have performed a notable sign, and we cannot deny it.”<sup>17</sup> But to stop this thing from spreading any further among the people, we must warn them to speak no longer to anyone in this name.”<sup>18</sup> Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.

**ACTS 4:14-18 NIV**



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But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! <sup>20</sup> As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.” <sup>21</sup> After further threats they let them go. They could not decide how to punish them, because all the people were praising God for what had happened. <sup>22</sup> For the man who was miraculously healed was over forty years old.

**ACTS 4:19-22 NIV**



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He heals the lame, saves the lost, and  
turns the ordinary into the remarkable.