Declaring God’s Glory

B. a _________________________ made
Paul and Barnabas rent their clothes and declared that their of them was wrong and began moving them towards a knowledge of Jesus Christ.

God is not restricted by either our lack of knowledge or excessive education. God has proven Himself. From the creation of the universe and everything in it, to the parting the Red Sea, to shutting the mouths of lions, to preserving three men in a fiery furnace, to using a virgin a bring His Son into the world ... there isn’t a problem too big or too small for Him to handle and take care of. He is greater than the laws of logic. He is greater than the laws of science. He is greater than everything and He deserves the all glory.

Have your given Him all glory?
If you are saved, give Him the glory for your salvation and life this morning.

If you don’t know if you are saved or not, today is the day of your salvation. He wants to save you today. If you are not saved, He does not have glory for your salvation. If you wish to learn what the Bible says about salvation please see speak to an Usher and he will direct you to someone who will sit down with you and share God’s plan of salvation with you.

Acts 14:8-18
Quote: “What you think of God is the most important thing about you” – A.W. Tozer

Additionally, what you think about God will ultimately be declared by you at key points in your life.

God has given us the clear command to lift Him up in glory and to declare His glory. But how can his glory be declared if He is not first recognized as being glorious?

This morning I want to look at an incident in Paul and Barnabas life that will help us to Give God the Glory in our life …
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I: A ________________ Performed: v8-10
Whether we see and recognize them or not, miracles do still happen in people’s lives. And we see in our text…

A. the ________________ for a miracle
This man was “impotent in his feet” and lost. Paul notices him and discerns that he has faith to be healed and says to him “stand upright on thy feet”.

While this man’s need was more obvious we still understand that we require God’s supernatural involvement every day in our life.

B. the ________________ of the miracle
The nature of God’s miracle was that God healed him completely and permanently. And while it was a great miracle that the man was healed physically, the greater miracle is that by faith, he and we are made whole spiritually though faith in Jesus Christ.

James 1:17—Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

II: A ________________ Praise: v11-13
Often times, when something good and blessed happens in a person’s life they feel the need to offer praise; but often times they praise the wrong thing. And we see in our text that the miracle caused those present to also offer misguided praise.

A. the ________________ of their praise
Upon seeing the man healed, those present wrongly attributed the miracle to the Greek gods of Jupiter and Mercurius.

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1 Chronicles 16:24 - Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

B. the ________________ of their praise
After the miracle and after they give glory of the miracle to Paul and Barnabas, the people lifted up their voices to Paul and Barnabas, labeled them as gods, and the chief priest of Jupiter brought garland and oxen in order to offer a sacrifice to them. Not only was the object of their praise misguided, but the offering of their praise was also misguided.

According to Romans 1, all men are given a basic understanding and awareness that they are created by God. Therefore, they also understand that glory should always go to God. We need to be careful, not to attribute God’s blessing to anyone other that God.

III: ________________ towards the ________________ : v14:18
We cannot declare God’s glory until we first receive Christ as our Saviour. We cannot recognize false gods without first knowing the true God. We cannot declare God’s glory without first knowing how glorious God is. And we cannot give God the glory in our life until we turn FROM those things which are vain, useless, and even harmful to us spiritually … and then turn TO God … whose glory is above the heavens. After first rejecting their worship, Paul and Barnabas move them towards Christ. In declaring God’s glory there must be…

A. a ________________ made
Paul and Barnabas knew that all glory belonged to God and they made the decision in their hearts to declare the glory of God.