2Thess #80

The deception of miracles, signs and wonders.

We will keep some folks in prayer opening up today and I also will announce the 2024 PRB Ministry Bible Conference.

Tim and Christina still need our prayers. I received a card from them the other day and they are still dealing with the repercussions of not taking the jabs.

let us also keep Lenny from Massachusetts in our prayers.

Lenny is a close friend of Pastor Jason K. and he is in a coma due to a motorcycle accident.

Also, a gentlemen named Rance Bradley who is fighting cancer, he is related to Susan L. one of our faithful followers.

Pastor Jason K is also starting a small Bible study group in New England and we want to keep that in prayer as well.

Open back up today in the OT – Exodus chapter seven RF.

I am planning on doing a 3 or 4 minute promo for the conference possibly this week – it will go on all my platforms.

2024 PRB Ministry Bible Conference will be held the weekend of August 3rd & 4th @ The Hilton Denver Inverness, Denver Colorado.

200 W. Inverness Drive, Englewood

CO. 80112

Classes will begin 10 am with lunch breaks and intermissions and will close by 5:30 pm.

Seating is limited to up to 80 people.

PRB Ministry website has all the information.

You can email me from that website and let me know if you are interested in going.

Exo 7:8 Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying,

/[Exo 7:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/exo/7/9/s_57009) “When Pharaoh speaks to you, saying, ‘**Work a miracle**, (*nāṯan*’*môp̄ēṯ)* then you shall say to Aaron, ‘**Take your staff and throw it down before Pharaoh**, *so that* it may turn into a serpent.’”

To be employed, under contract and produce work by presenting a miraculous event given by GOD.\

NATH-HAN, MO-PATE, This is written in a command form – NATH-HAN is in the Qal imperative in the original Hebrew.

We see the right thing done in the right way, these are specific instructions. The miracle would not happen had they not performed these exact actions with the staff that GOD had ordained.

[Exo 7:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/exo/7/10/s_57010) So Moses and Aaron came to Pharaoh, and so they did, just as the LORD had commanded; and Aaron threw his staff down before Pharaoh and his servants, and it turned into a serpent.

/[Exo 7:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/exo/7/11/s_57011) Then Pharaoh also called for *the* wise men and *the* sorcerers, and they too, *the* soothsayer priests of Egypt, **did the same with their secret arts** (*lāhaṭ)*.

Speaks to a supernatural power resembling divine light, divine presence.\

LA-HAT – was only used a few times in the original context and it points to angelic flames or divine power and light.

/Gen 3:24 So He drove the man out; and at the east of the Garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and **the flamingsword** (*lāhaṭ)* which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

The dark arts were given to certain descendants of Cain and passed down in later generations either by descendants of the children of Satan or Fallen Angels.\

As I had already taught you months ago, men like Jannes & Jamborees were experts in satanic arts.

They were given greater insight by fallen angels and those who had handed down secrets and ways to counterfeit God’s miracles.

This points backward to the children of Cain and the building of those first cities and fortresses as well as temples prior to the flood.

Historians today will tell you about the ancient Sumerian culture and how advance they were – these were children of Cain under the serpent culture of Fallen Angels. REPEAT

/[Exo 7:12](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/exo/7/12/s_57012) For each one threw down his staff, and they turned into serpents. **But Aaron’s staff swallowed their staffs.**

This was the beginning of a challenge of dark arts against the true power of GOD. In the end GOD always wins!\

But the satanic counterfeits are extremely powerful and resemble God’s divine power.

It began with the children of Cain and by the time Babylon had risen to power, the fallen angels had perfected what many occultists and even Christian theologians recognize as the Blood, Sex, Money Magic powers - of the dark arts of Satan.

Which I will begin to reveal in the next few messages.

/[Exo 7:13](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/exo/7/13/s_57013) Yet **Pharaoh’s heart was hardened, and he did not listen** to them, just as the LORD had said.

Miracles often manifest divine power. They were used in the past to accredit Moses as God’s messenger. Yet even in the presence of the divine power of GOD true evil will not repent. \

Satan had a presence in the court that day too, and he performed miracles through the Egyptian priests.

Possibly through demonic possession.

Also, what those two brothers had practiced and participated in for years prior to Moses and Aaron appearing in the courtyard.

Let us cover some basic concepts and facts about miracles;

/God never performs miracles to relieve suffering or pain. His miracles do alleviate suffering if the end goal points to the person and work of Christ. Jesus Christ healed many people and performed miraculous events, yet all people were not healed and all problems were not resolved. God’s miracles in the past occurred for one reason: accreditation. God’s miracles are often used to wake people up to recognition of the truth of the gospel and the WORD.\

God would give a prophet an apostle or a leader credit by working miracles through them.

FOR EXAMPLE:

/Elijah performed seven miracles; Elisha performed fourteen because he asked for a double portion. Why did God permit Elijah to perform miracles? So that people would listen to his message. It isn’t the miracle, it is the message! Miracles do not build doctrine in the soul structure, they awaken truth in a willing soul.\

Jump over to the NT – Luke chapter 10.

Free will matters…your first divine institution given in the original Garden is your freedom to think and make a choice.

If your choice is to pursue a path of miracles, signs and wonders you are on a pathway to frustration not education.

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It is Bible doctrine; it is the habitual study and the message that builds the inventory of ideas and problem-solving devices within your soul.

Our Lord, on one occasion, even delegated the seventy disciples, gave them the power of miracles and said to them that if the people would not hear their message, they will see the miracle.

Then those disciples were called to dust themselves off and leave those stubborn people behind.

The emphasis is always on the WORD.

/Mat 16:4 “An **evil and adulterous generation wants a sign**; and so a sign will not be given to it, except the sign of Jonah.” And He left them and went away.

If the 3 days in the tomb and HIS resurrected ministry would not awaken them, nothing could! \

Seeking signs, miracles and wonders is a good indicator of arrogance, which is unteachable.

Luk 10:1 Now after this the Lord appointed seventy-two others, and sent them in pairs ahead of Him to every city and place where He Himself was going to come.

The original language points to 70 disciples in pairs of two - which is how even the apostles went out as well, in pairs of two or more.

These 70 were most likely a large part of the 120 people on the day of Pentecost in the near future.

/[Luk 10:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/2/s_983002) And He was saying to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but **the laborers are few**; therefore plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

As is always the case, a few serious Christians carry the bulk of the work and support of any ministry, even the Lord’s earthly ministry dealt with this.\

[Luk 10:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/3/s_983003) “Go; behold, I am sending you out like lambs in the midst of wolves.

This was the early reminder of a lesson on picking up your cross, that the 11 apostles would later on be taught in detail by our LORD.

/[Luk 10:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/4/s_983004) “Carry no money belt, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one along the way.

Jesus ran the first grace based, non-denominational ministry that needed support, yet never forced or manipulated anyone into serving or giving.\

They had Judas Iscariot as the treasury and that shows you how much Jesus trusted him and gave Judas opportunity to prove his devotion…yet he chose to betray the LORD and rob the ministry.

/[Luk 10:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/5/s_983005) “And whatever house you enter, first say, ‘**Peace *be* to this house.’**

Seek a Christian home who had the tranquility of Christ dwelling in it.\

The Greek word I-RAINY, meant a truly tranquil peace, a humble and godly spirit.

Enter the house with a blessing.

[Luk 10:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/6/s_983006) “And if a man of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him; but if not, it will return to you.

/[Luk 10:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/7/s_983007) “**Stay in that house, eating and drinking what they provide**; for **the laborer is deserving of his wages**. Do not move from house to house.

Notice Jesus didn’t tell them to teach a message about giving or sowing a seed. Supporting a ministry in any realm is a matter of privacy between the Bel and GOD. God sees the heart of everyone.\

The true laborer - the pastor, the evangelist or ministry leader is worthy of support.

[Luk 10:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/8/s_983008) “Whatever city you enter and they receive you, eat what is served to you;

/[Luk 10:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/9/s_983009) and **heal those in it who are sick,** and say to them, ‘**The kingdom of God has come near to you**.’

The miraculous healings would be the credit given to them, so as to point to the MESSIAH who was walking among them.\

[Luk 10:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/10/s_983010) “But whatever city you enter and they do not receive you, go out into its streets and say,

[Luk 10:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/11/s_983011) ‘Even the dust of your city which clings to our feet we wipe off *in protest* against you; yet be sure of this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’

Brush off the arrogance and Unbels who ridicule you and keep pressing forward.

Philp 3:13 Brothers *and sisters,* I do not regard myself as having taken hold of *it yet;* but one thing *I do:* forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead,

**/**[Luk 10:12](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/luk/10/12/s_983012) “I say to you, it will be more tolerable on that day **for Sodom** than for that city.

Sodom and Gomorrah was destroyed under fire and brimstone – as a reference to what the Unbels will face at the Great White Throne Judgment.\

The purpose of these miracles in the past and miracles in the future Tribulation was so that a message could be given.

Miracles enable Bible doctrine a platform of great attention for hearing truth, and to keep Believers functioning in the plan of God.

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God gave us HIS Word, it was completed by 95 AD. Instead of miracles God intends for you to use your volition today, because the whole purpose of life and the secret to life is what you have in your soul: truth…the mind of Christ.

You have a unique union with Christ and you need HIS mind operational for your spiritual walk.

/During the First Advent, healing was used to verify and establish the fact that the Messiah had come to Israel. Healing was not used to alleviate suffering, but to present the Messiah. Healing and miracles occured in the early formation of the church until the completed canon of scripture. It gave the apostles creditability and attention for their authority to be established.\

By the end of their lives - all the apostles no longer were doing any healing or miracles. It was a temporary gift.

/Satan performs miracles to distract people; our Lord performed miracles to attract people to Bible Doctrine. Satan performs miracles to distract people from doctrine and to hinder the Believer from executing the plan of God. Satan performs miracles to evangelize for the cosmic system. He doesn’t perform them directly, he performs them through cosmic evangelists, loser Bels and Unbelievers in the cosmic system. Those who appear to be angels of light yet have darkness within.\

/The simple truth, is it is not the miracle performed but the content of the message that accompanies the miracle. If the message is Bible doctrine the miracle is genuine but if the message promotes false doctrine or evangelization for the cosmic system or elevates a man, that miracle is a distraction from Satan.\