**Expect the Miraculous (sjm 4-21-2024)**

**Purpose of church:** to worship God, fellowship w/others & be instructed by God: **Pastor:** Find Godly solutions to problems

 **Miraculous** – means divine, supernatural intervention by God or manifesting to us such power

**1 Cor 2:4** And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

 **5** That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

 **Normal Vincent Peale** – Those that keep your eyes open expectedly every day for wonderful things to happen - will see wonderful things happen! “**Expect a Miracle**” If you expect great things from God you will get great things and vice versa.

**Mark 9:23** Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, **all** **things** **are** **possible** to him that believeth.

**Matt 19:26 …** With men this is impossible; but with God **all** **things** **are** **possible**.

**Jesus did many things that were miraculous** – turned water into wine, walked on water, calmed violent storms, cursed fig trees, raised the dead, walked right threw a crowd, transported to the other side of sea, healed the blind, lame and paralyzed.

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These were **Supernatural** suspension of the ordinary course of nature: **An Overriding** of the ordinary course of nature.

 *God can override any adverse circumstance in your life!*

**Job 9:33** I wish there was a **meditator** or **arbitrator** between us to bring us together. (Jesus)

**1 Tim 2:5** For there is one God, and one **mediator** between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; **Heb 8:6** of a better covenant on better promises

**Understanding**

**Faith**

Hearing

 Man Jesus God

 (Natural realm) **(Came to give us Life & life in Abundance)** (Supernatural realm)

**He has given every man a measure of faith Faith comes from hearing the word of God**

**Two Powerful Scriptures to walk in the Miraculous:**

**Ps 103:1**Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

 **2**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

 **3** Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

 **4** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction *= (CONDITIONS BEYOND REPAIR)*

 **4** Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies?

 **5**Who satisfieth your desires with good things, so that thy youth is renewed like the eagles.

**Gal 4:1** Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child*,(nepios),* differeth nothing from a **servant,** though he be **lord** of all;

**2**But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

**3**Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

**4**But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

**5**To redeem them those were under the law, that we might receive the **adoption of sons**.

***Your attitude determines your altitude!***

**Results of Little Faith**

**Jesus rebuked the disciples for having little faith (Jesus we perish)**

**Jesus rebuked Peter for little faith when he stepped out on the water (Jesus expected him to walk)**

**Jesus rebuke crowd “shall he not much more clothe you?, O ye of little faith?**

**Result of Great Faith**

 **Jesus to the Centurion “I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel” Jesus then said – go thy way, as thou as believed so be it done unto thee**

 **Jesus to Woman from Canaan -  “O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt”**

 **Jesus to blind men – “According to your faith be it unto you”**

**Mark 5:22** And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet, **23** And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.

 **35**  *(a few minutes later)* there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?

 **36As soon as Jesus** heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, **Be not afraid, only Believe. *(\*MSG – don’t listen to them, just trust me!\*)***

**Faith measns** – trust, rely and depend on God **vs** what we see & have learned in the natural realm

 *(Jesus - your traditions make the word of God to none effect)*

**Why do we have prayer** (usually to obtain something you can’t accomplish your self’s)

Gates with thanksgiving and Courts with Praise

In his presence

John 15:7 without me you can do nothing

**Heb 11:6** But without faith it is impossible to **walk with God & please Him**, for whoever comes near to God must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who earnestly & diligently seek Him

**Gal 4:4** But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, **5**To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. **6**And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.**7**Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Rom 3:3 For what if some did not believe? **shall** **the**ir **unbelief** make **the** faith of God without effect?

All creation groaneth or waits expectedly for the manifestation of the sons of God

**1 Peter 1:3** Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received! We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to participation in the life of God after you turned your back on a world corrupted by lust.

 **That’s it I want to serve a God that all things are possible!**

When I return will I find faith (this God kind of faith) On the Earth?

 Gr: Faith (Peace tis) = trust Vines: “Implication is that your actions based on this faith will follow”

**Gal 5:1**

My desire is to build a culture of faith so that every day you wake up and believe God for his mercies (kindest acts)

Every time you come into church you believe for the miraculous power of God to be present

**John 2:11** first of the miracles – signs revealed his glory & his disciples believed in him (glory the radiance of God’s presence)

When Jesus raised Lazareth from the dead (glory of God seen)

2 Peter no private interpretation

Set your affections (mind or attitude) on those things above

Attitude = a settled way of thinking or feeling about someone or something, typically one that is reflected in a person's behavior.

Gal 4:1**Gal 4:1-5** To redeem

1. gain or regain possession of (something) in exchange for payment..
2. [compensate](https://www.google.com/search?sca_esv=1fd21f177eb912ee&sxsrf=ACQVn0-rwS3d9gSNGEhe7LgwuafvKZ7yMA:1712667896850&q=compensate&si=AKbGX_pvY3MWP4azJI0Z_NruCLb8i_rxwAcPqqXP35ifvF93sXzQTr0P7Aya7JYav4-9jBvI5IrPpzjLpmQTecinqQALc0y_pKgpz3J59QGv20rYB3Y_eSo%3D&expnd=1) for the [faults](https://www.google.com/search?sca_esv=1fd21f177eb912ee&sxsrf=ACQVn0-rwS3d9gSNGEhe7LgwuafvKZ7yMA:1712667896850&q=faults&si=AKbGX_qTCvK6ifvkUBYDz4foaFZit5y8E8gbcq_lTYuzF8TU0md88xi9ELsA39uNrSx6eb1B2Sk0Yyli7W1xuKwQE5dHUIRGvQ%3D%3D&expnd=1) or bad aspects of (something).
3. To buy or win back
4. To be delivered from sin & its consequences
5. To be reinstated or restored to favor

Every Coach’s heart desire is to bring out the full talent in each team member

Every Father & Mothers desire is to have their child reach full potential

All creation groaneth ……

Every pastors heart is for the congregation to reach there full potential and to have everything God has in store for them.

Lack of Knowledge

Heir

**Ps 103:1-5** 4 Destruction = Conditions beyond repair

Foster a culture of faith

God speaks to me in natural situations (getting measured for a tux) Don’t call me portly. I said its okay that it is a little tight now as the diet starts immediately. (What I was saying is, I am not ready yet but I will be?

 Spirit of God said, is that the case with you spiritually?

 As for me and my house we will serve the Lord

 As for me and my house will believe the word of God over natural things

 As for me and my house we will walk in Faith & expect the miraculous power of God every day

I didn’t come with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the spirit and power so that your faith would nto stand in the wisdom of man but the power of God

John 1:40 Said I not unto thee … (2 Peter 1:10) that if thou wouldest **believe,** thou should see the glory of God (didn’t say pray & fast, give large sums, start evangelizing the neighborhood or even attend church)

 Cana – miracles manifested his glory and got the attention of a hungry world!

 **Eph 3:19** fullness & **Eph 1:13** delivered & translated

 (I hear the sound of abundance) WHAT DO YOU HEAR FROM THE SPIRITUAL REALM!

**Rom 4:20 – 21** who staggered not at the promise of god through unbelief but was strong in faith giving glory to God