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MIRACLES OF JESUS
IN THE GOSPELS





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“Miracle” Defined

“An extraordinary event manifesting divine intervention in human affairs”



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“Miracles are events that supersede the laws of nature, performed by divine power and for a divine purpose.” *(LifeQuest Volume 1)*



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**Miracles were a part of Jesus’
three-fold ministry
“Preaching, Teaching, and Healing”**

Matthew 4:23

“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.”

Matthew 9:35

“And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and all manner of disease among the people.”



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Jesus' ministry was exhaustive!
Our ministry should be exhaustive!



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Three major reason for miracles:

1. *Compassion*

2. *Signs*

3. *Demonstration of Authority*



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Compassion

“And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.” - Matthew 14:14



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Signs

“This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.” - John 2:11



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Signs

“But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:” - John 12:37



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Signs

“And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:” - John 20:30



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Signs

“The wonders of Jesus were designed to call our attention to the person of Jesus. The miracles of Jesus authenticated his message.” *(Rose Guide to the Gospels)*



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Demonstration of Authority

Over the Physical and the Spiritual



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Demonstration of Authority

Deliverance of those possessed by demonic spirits

Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 9:14-29; Luke 4:31-37



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Demonstration of Authority

Calming of Sea & Walking on the Sea

Matthew 14:22-33; Mark 4:35-41



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Demonstration of Authority

Feeding multitudes with little food

Mark 6:32-44; 8:1-9



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Demonstration of Authority

Withering of the fig tree

Matthew 21:18-22



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Demonstration of Authority

Resurrecting the dead

Matthew 9:18-26 (Jairus' daughter)



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Luke 7:11-17 (widow's son)



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John 11:1-44 (His friend Lazarus)



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The gospels record approximately
three dozen specific miracles!



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The gospel of John contains the least amount of miracles but the most distinct of miracles.



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“And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.”

- John 21:25



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Jesus' First Miracle

The Wedding at Cana

Let's read John 2:1-12



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Jesus' First Miracle

Emphasized the significance of marriage?



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Jesus' First Miracle

“Woman, what have I to do with thee? (v.4)”

Jesus emphasized that Mary should not longer think of Him as her son.



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Jesus' First Miracle

“Mine our is not yet come (v.4)”

Throughout the gospels, Jesus is conscious that He is doing the will of the Father.



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Jesus' First Miracle

“Six waterspouts of stone... containing two or three firkins apiece” (v.6)”

Each pot would contain from 17 to 25 gallons.
Total volume changed to wine was about 100-150 gallons.



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Jesus' First Miracle

“thou has kept the good wine until now” (v.10)”

The symbolism is clear. The power of Christ filled the emptiness of the waterpots and the same power is able to fill the emptiness of Judaistic religion.”



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Jesus' First Miracle

“and manifested forth his glory” (v.11)”

“Miracles” here is “sign”. The sign drew attention to the power and the glory of the One who performed it!



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The greatest miracle is salvation! The reality that a sinner, born separated from God, can have a personal relationship with God by trusting in His Son (Jesus Christ) for forgiveness of their sin.



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“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”

- II Corinthians 5:21



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“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”

- II Corinthians 5:17



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Thank God for Salvation!