September 12, 2021



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Do Miracles Happen Today – pt. 1

Another Christmas "miracle" and the "miracle" of childbirth. Are they actual miracles? I heard a Christian music artist say in an interview that they believe small miracles are happening all the time, everywhere, we just don't have eyes that are looking for them. Are these sayings and this artist right?

Miracles in the New Testament are described as:

- **1. "Signs,"** like a street sign pointing to the road & NOT itself. In Acts 2:22, scripture says, "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with might works and **signs** that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know…"
- **2. "Wonder,"** meaning terror or awe, insinuating emotion because of the miraculous event. Matthew 17:6 "When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were **terrified**." Luke 5:26 "And **amazement** seized them all, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying 'We have seen extraordinary things today.""
- **3. Power**. This word in Greek is our word dynamite. An obvious example of power. This word centers on the source of power—the doer of the miracle. For this reason John 3:2 reads, "This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbis, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these **signs** that you do unless God is with him."
- **4. "Work"** John 10:37-38 says, "If I am not doing the **works** of my Father, then do not believe me; but if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the **works**, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father." The focus of this "work" is confirming that Jesus is the Son of God. Whatever "work" that is performed, therefore, is done for the purpose of pointing people to the deity of Jesus.

These words encapsulate miracles in the New Testament. They point to the source of power, while causing people to be in awe of that power. They confirm that Jesus is from God and His message is literally heavenly. Miracles produced faith—John 20:30-31. At this point in my life, the only conclusive answer I can give concerning miracles happening or not is this: The Bible necessitates that for an event to be considered a miracle, it must fulfill these requirements. If these requirements are not met, then they cannot be a miracle.

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

SERMON TITLES:

AM: To the Least of These (*Matthew 25:31-40*)

PM: System Sunday (1 Timothy 3:14-15)

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM: 220 / On Line Views: 177 Sunday School: 167 / On Line Views: N/A Sunday PM: 150 / On Line Views: 161 Wednesday: 164 / On Line Views: 141

Budget: \$13,300 Contribution: \$14,272

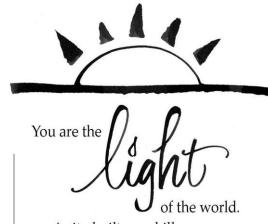


LADIES

ALL ladies need to go to their mailbox, located in the foyer, and pick up your Ladies Worksheet and fill out and return to Sonya.

Also, help is needed with the Ladies Day, on Saturday, October 2nd. If you can help with this, please go by the bulletin board, located in the hallway, by the water fountains, and sign up.





A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house.

Matthew 5:14-15

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We had a spiritually uplifting Labor Day weekend during this "Encounter." Seeing a replica of the Ark made me consider GOD'S awesome deliverance of His people amidst a violent and evil world and reminded me of how desperately we need our Savior JESUS to deliver us. Don't stand idly by while deliverance is being offered, such as the years that people stood by while Noah was building the Ark. Let GOD's salvation reach you.

