

God of Miracles

PART 1: MIRACLES

Big Idea

This week, Pastor Dino shared how we all have a common need for a God of miracles, especially with all that's unfolding in our world today. He used the story of Jesus healing a leper in Luke 5:12 to describe how someone who was diseased, socially isolated, and banished from society could call on Jesus in their time of need. In verse 12, the leper begged, "If You are only willing, You could completely heal me." Similarly, while we know God has the power to heal us, we may question if He is willing to do so. The truth is, just like the leper's need for healing led to his miracle, our need is what makes us a candidate for the supernatural work of Jesus in our lives.

We often misuse and minimize the term "miracle." By definition, a miracle is "an extraordinary event manifesting as a divine intervention in human affairs." A miracle occurs when God intervenes in our life and His power collides with our reality. Three aspects of Jesus' character particularly position Him to make miracles happen in our lives. First, He is a Noticer. Jesus is fully aware of the specifics of our situation. Nothing we experience surprises Him. Next, Jesus is a Reacher. We are never invisible or forgotten by Him. He can reach into any situation and give us exactly what we need. Finally, Jesus is a Healer. He is willing and able to perform a miracle in our lives. No matter how great our need, problem, dilemma, or hurt might be, we are a candidate to experience a miraculous move of God.

Discussion Questions

- Do you feel disqualified from receiving a miracle? What did it mean to you when Pastor Dino said he nominated you?
- What miracle do you need God to perform in your life?
- Can you recall a time when God did a miracle in what seemed like an impossible situation?

Prayer Focus

Father, thank You for being a God of miracles. Help me to believe that no matter what my situation may be, You are willing and able to do a miracle in my life. During these days of uncertainty, I pray that You will be near to me, protect me, and heal our land.

Next Steps

Spend time this week asking God to reveal a need in your life that you haven't brought to Him yet. Surrender that need to God, and ask Him to do a miracle in your situation.

Leader Tip

Be ready to share any miracle, big or small, that God has done in your life. Opening up about a miracle you've experienced may help them identify ways that God has moved in their lives as well.

