



HOW TO MINISTER MIRACLES

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Review

On Sunday Oct 31 we talked about OUR GOD OF MIRACLES.

- Our God is a miracle working God.
- Several miracles are recorded in the Old Testament and many others in the ministry of the Lord Jesus.
- Our God has not changed neither has He lost His power or ability (Malachi 3:6, Hebrews 13:8). He therefore continues to work miracles today.
- At least 2 Reasons why Jesus worked miracles:
 - Demonstrated the will of the Father Hebrews 10:5-8, John 5:19
 - Demonstrates His heart of compassion Mark 1:40,41
- 3 heart-attitudes that allow God to work miracles:
 - **Faith** is an important ingredient Matthew 8:5-13 Matthew 9:29
 - **Expectancy** Matthew 9:22 This woman expected something to happen when she went to touch the hem of Jesus' garment.
 - **Intense Desire** Matthew 15:22-28 This woman refused to take "no" for an answer! He will was strong couple with her faith that Jesus could make her daughter well.
- Heart-Attitudes that hinder God from working miracles:
 - **Unbelief** Mark 6:5,6 It was not that Jesus' was not willing to do miracles, but He "could" not. Unbelief stops the flow of the supernatural.
 - **Envy, Strife, Self-seeking, selfish-ambition** James 3:16
- Miracles follow believers. Every believer can experience the supernatural. Mark 16:17-18 John 14:12
- Lay aside past experiences of failure. Almost all of us have experience failure as we learnt to exercise faith in God either for answered prayer, or healing, etc. This does not mean that there is something wrong with God. God and His Word have not changed. We need to continue to grow and continue to believe and act on His Word, reaching for the things He has promised.
- Expect God to work miracles. (a) Expect God to work miracles in your day-to-day life. (b) Expect God to work miracles when you gather together with God's people – in little cottages or in large services, since Jesus is present there. (c) We as a church must expect God to bring supernatural growth and increase, supernatural wealth transfer, etc. so that we can extend His Kingdom on earth.

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Signs follow believers. All believers can be used by God to minister miracles.

Mark 16:17-20 John 14:12

Galatians 3:5 – God uses ordinary earthen vessels to minister the Spirit and work miracles.

[NOTE: The American Standard Version and the KJV use the small "he" in this verse, referring to the minister. Other modern versions use the capital "He", referring to God. Either way, both are in perfect agreement with the rest of Scripture, since God works miracles and He does use human vessels to administer them. Here is a brief extract from Albert Barne's Notes on the Bible: "By the word 'he' in this place, Clarke, Doddridge, Bloomfield, Chandler, Locke and many others, suppose that the apostle means himself Bloomfield says, that it is the common opinion of 'all the ancient commentators.' But this seems to me a strange opinion. The obvious reference, it seems to me, is to God, who had furnished or imparted to them the remarkable influences of the Holy Spirit, and this had been done in connection with the preaching of the gospel, and not by the observance of the Law. If, however, it refers to Paul, it means that he had been made the agent or instrument in imparting to them those remarkable endowments, and that this had been done by one who had not enforced the necessity of obeying the Law of Moses, but who had preached to them the simple gospel."]

John 6:28,29

The starting point to be used by God to "work the works of God" is to believe in Jesus Christ. Then John 14:12 applies.

You can learn how to minister miracles. The supernatural can be taught.

Mathew 28:19-20

Jesus instructed His initial set of disciples to make new disciples and **teach them** "all things" that He had taught them. This includes the instructions to heal the sick, cast out devils and raise the dead (Matthew 10:7,8).



Here are some methods we see in the New Testament:

- In The Name of Jesus Mark 16:17 Acts 3:16 Luke 10:17
- By Faith Acts 3:16
- Through the laying on of hands Mark 16:17,18 Luke 4:40
- With a word of command Luke 4:38,39 Matthew 8:16
- Anointing with oil James 5:14,15 Mark 6:7,12,13
- The prayer of faith James 5:14,15
- Ministering the Word Luke 5:15, Mark 16:20
- Unusual ways:
 - Spit & mud John 9:1-7
 - Peter's shadow Acts 5:12-16
 - Prayer cloths Acts 19:11

Be bold! Go out and use what you have learnt and minister His miracle working power to needy people!!



USEFUL RESOURCES



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JESUS CHRIST: <https://examiningjesus.com>

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