



**Expect Miracles!**  
**Supernatural Sunday**  
**Sunday March 29, 2026 – Sermon Outline**

**FAITH IS EXPECTATION!**

**Hebrews 11:1**

**Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.**

“things hoped for” are things desire for or expected.  
Faith has an element of hope or expectation.

A common theme that we observe in the ministry of Jesus was how people came with expectation

**GREAT FAITH HAS GREAT EXPECTATION!**

On two occasions, when the Lord Jesus noted that people had great faith, we noticed that they came with unwavering expectation.

**The Roman Centurion (Matthew 8:5-13)**

**Matthew 8:8,10**

**8** The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and **my servant will be healed.**

**10** When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!"

We do not see any element of doubt in how the Roman Centurion approached Jesus. His expectation was “my servant will be healed”.

**The Canaanite Woman (Matthew 15:21-28)**

We are familiar with the incident of the woman from Canaan who came to Jesus for her daughter’s deliverance. She refused to take a no for an answer.

**Matthew 15:28**



**Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.**

### **IS IT WRONG TO EXPECT MIRACLES, SIGNS AND WONDERS?**

Sometimes we have been incorrectly taught that it is not right to expect miracles sign and wonders.

Sometimes people refer to certain Scripture texts in this regard.

Consider the Nobleman in John 4. Jesus remarked:

#### **John 4:48**

**Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe."**

In the case of the Nobleman, the Lord Jesus was stating a fact about us people. That many of us come to believe only after we experience something supernatural. The Lord Jesus went on to minister and declare healing for the Nobleman's son. Jesus did not hold back the miracle.

We notice in the case of the Pharisees and religious leaders, when they came to Jesus asking for a miraculous sign – Jesus did not do any. He simply pointed them to His death and resurrection. Notice one recorded instance in Matthew 12 (there are several other similar references):

#### **Matthew 12:38-39 (see also Matthew 16:1-4)**

**38 Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered, saying, "Teacher, we want to see a sign from You."**

**39 But He answered and said to them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah."**

*When people came to Jesus asking for a miracle for Jesus to "prove Himself", Jesus pointed to His death and resurrection. For those who came to Jesus in faith, asking for a miracle to meet their need, He worked a miracle!*

Hence it is not correct to use the passages where the Lord Jesus was rebuking the Pharisees to state that we must not expect miracles. We must understand that great numbers of people came to Jesus in faith, expecting to be healed and delivered – and He did so.



## WHY DO WE NOT EXPECT MIRACLES?

While we could list several reasons why we in our modern world don't expect the supernatural – one reason that really discourages us is past experiences.

Let's think of the father who had brought his son who was demon possessed, to the disciples of Jesus. They could not cast the demon out.

This definitely must have shaken his faith and discouraged the father. And so when the Lord Jesus came to the place, this father was not in a place of great faith. His plea was "if you can do anything...help us".

### Mark 9:22-24

**22 And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."**

**23 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."**

**24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"**

The Lord Jesus responded by encouraging the father to believe: "If you can believe...."

Like many of us, our past experiences discourage us and bring us to the place wondering "can God do any thing to help me". And the Lord Jesus is encouraging us "if you can believe, all things are possible to those who believe".

Lay aside our past experiences and still believe!

## INCREASE YOUR EXPECTATION FOR YOUR MIRACLE!

Let nothing hold us back.

Expect God to work a miracle for you.

## BASE YOUR EXPECTATION ON WHO GOD IS AND WHAT HE HAS PROMISED.

God is still who He said He is.

God will do what He said He will do.

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## SUMMARY

## GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

## SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

**Minister as the Spirit leads**



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**LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE**



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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

**Preparation**

**Life Group Leader:** To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group. All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

**Welcome**

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

**LISTEN to God's Word**

Read the following Scripture references: *Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 15:21-28; Mark 9:22-27*

**INVESTIGATE God's Word Together**

Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

*1, Discuss the importance of expectation to having faith in God? Is it possible to have faith in God, without hope or expectation?*



2, Consider the accounts of the Roman Centurion and the Canaanite woman, in the Gospels. What does this teach us about expectation and great faith?

*The Roman Centurion (Matthew 8:5-13)*

*The Canaanite Woman (Matthew 15:21-28)*

3, We know that past experiences can weaken or even destroy our expectation. Consider the father of the demon possessed boy and try to walk through his personal journey. How did Jesus respond to him – did He sympathize with his unbelief or did Jesus challenge the father to believe in spite of his past experience?

*The father of a demon possessed boy (Mark 9:22-27)*

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey**

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another**

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, *families to be protected and strengthened*

2, *a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.*

3, *for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.*

Close by thanking God together.



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## USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

**YOUTUBE:** <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

**WEBSITE:** <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

**CHURCH:** <https://apcwo.org>

**FREE SERMONS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

**FREE BOOKS:** <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

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

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**WEEKEND SCHOOLS:** <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

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## SERMON OUTLINE

In this sermon we point to the importance of expectation to having faith in God. We consider the accounts of the Roman Centurion and the Canaanite woman, in the Gospels and learn that great faith has great expectation. We also learn that often our past experiences can weaken or even destroy our expectation. We consider the father of the demon possessed boy and notice how Jesus did not sympathize with his unbelief, but Jesus challenged the father to believe in spite of his past experience. We then challenge us to expect miracles and minister for people to receive healing, deliverance and miracles. This sermon includes free audio (mp3) and video of this powerful, motivational, expository teaching, free printable PDF sermon outlines, sermon notes and small group study guide with discussion questions and presentation slides. All resources (sermon PDF, sermon MP3, sermon video, sermon presentation) are free for use in personal study, small groups, Bible study prayer groups, local churches, conferences, Bible colleges, etc.

## KEYWORDS



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