



When You Need A Miracle

Series: "Real Christianity: How It Flourished", Part 4 of 11

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Text: *Acts 5:12-40*

Big Idea: It is the word of God and the Spirit of God that authenticates the work of God.

"An act of God contrary to the laws of nature performed for a divine purpose."

I. A Biblical Course In Miracles.

Acts 5:12-16, The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade. 13 No one else dared join them, even though they were highly regarded by the people. 14 Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. 15 As a result, people brought the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by. 16 Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those tormented by evil spirits, and all of them were healed.

- A. **The beginning of Israel as a nation with Moses and Joshua.**
- B. **The beginning of the prophetic school of ministry with Elijah and Elisha.**
- C. **The beginning of the Church Age with Jesus and His apostles.**

Acts 2:22, "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know."

II. Biblical Conclusions About Miracles.

Psalm 77:14, "You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples."

- A. **The beginning of Israel as a nation with Moses and Joshua.**

2 Timothy 4:20, "Erastus stayed in Corinth, and I left Trophimus sick in Miletus."

- B. **Miracles should produce gratitude, not gloating.**
- C. **Miracles are more about advancing God's Kingdom cause than about solving our personal problems.**
- D. **Miracles are not the silver bullet to belief.**
- E. **The most important miracle has already been done.**