



The Doctrine of Miracles – Part 4

How should we pray for miracles today?

- I. What is a miracle?**
- II. God did miracles in the OT**
- III. God did miracles in the NT**
- IV. Jesus gave His apostles authority to do miracles**
- V. Jesus gave His followers authority to do miracles**
- VI. The Holy Spirit gifts some to do the miraculous**
- VII. The Elders of the Church are to pray for miracles**

VIII. Jesus promised miracles to those who believe in Him

John 14:12-14

¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

Mark 11:22-24

²² “Have faith in God,” Jesus answered. ²³ “Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. ²⁴ Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

IX. How to Pray and Ask God for a Miracle:

- 1. Ask God to guide you to the truth about His will.**
- 2. Ask God to help your unbelief.**
- 3. Forget formulas and simply seek God’s presence.**
- 4. Consider what may be blocking miracles from happening in your life.**
- 5. Obey God’s command to forgive so your prayers won’t be hindered.**

6. Fight evil through spiritual warfare.

7. Praise God more through worship.

8. Take the steps that God shows you.

9. Don't give up until God answers your prayers.

1. A Miracle Prayer for the Impossible

Father, I come to you today with faith so small I cannot see a way. I want to believe you are able to do more than I ever imagine. I want to walk by faith and not by sight. God, please bring a miracle into my life. I know that you can do the impossible in my life and I am trusting in your promises. Thank you for being a God who sees and hears my every need. In Jesus' name, amen.

2. A Thankful Miracle Prayer

Heavenly Father, Thank You for answering my prayers and performing miracles in my life every day. Just the fact that I woke up this morning and can take a breath is a gift from You. Help me to never take my health and loved ones for granted. Help me to always stand in faith and keep my focus on You when unexpected circumstances arise. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

3. A Prayer to Trust When You Need a Miracle

“Dear God, thank you that you love me and want to keep me from depending on other things instead of you. Forgive me for when I've depended on my job and other people instead of you. Thank you that you haven't forgotten me. Lord, the days ahead may be a little scary at times, but I understand now that the path to a miracle is through uncomfortable territory. I understand now that the source of a miracle will be unexpected, so I shouldn't try to figure it out. I should just trust you. When you tell me what to do, and it doesn't always make sense, I

will still do what you want me to do. Help me to remember that you're all I need and that where you guide, you'll provide. I want to learn to trust you one day at a time. I want to go your way, not my way. I want to follow you, and I ask you to save me and come into my life. I claim your promise that if I trust you, you'll meet my needs. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen."

How to pray for miracles

Questions for Small Groups

- 1. How does Pastor JP define a miracle?**
- 2. Based on that definition, what are some of the miracles recorded in the Old Testament? In the New Testament? What did Pastor JP say was the greatest miracle of them all?**
- 3. On what basis do you think we can expect God to do miracles today?**
- 4. What are some of the reasons why miracles may be hindered in our lives?**
- 5. Look up and read John 14:12-14 and Mark 11:22-24; according to these verses, what does Jesus promise about praying for miracles?**
- 6. What practical suggestions did Pastor JP give about praying for miracles?**
- 7. What is your personal take away? How can you apply faith-based prayer for miracles?**