

The Same Jesus 2 – Miracles

The Same Jesus

Welcome to Redemption Church in Plano, TX! I am Chris Fluitt. I am so pumped to share the Word of God with you today.

We are in the 2nd week of THE SAME JESUS sermon series. Last week we told you that the same Jesus you read about in your Bible is ALIVE, UNCHANGED, & RETURNING!

Today I want to tell you that the same Jesus still does miracles.

The Same Jesus still does Miracles

Jesus was known for miracles. In John 3 a Pharisee, who was at odds with Jesus on many subjects had to admit this. Hear the words of Nicodemus in John 3...

John 3:2 (NIV) He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.”

Pharisees were constantly trying to devise scriptural arguments against Jesus... Nicodemus surrounded himself daily with Pharisees who denied Jesus as Messiah and argued against Him. Nicodemus heard all those arguments, but then met with Jesus privately to tell Him “We know you are from God...” How did He know? “For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with Him.”

The Miracles of Jesus, reveal Jesus

If you will read your New Testament..., If you will read any of the four Gospels of Mathew, Mark, Luke, or John... you will see Jesus do miracle after miracle.

| MIRACLE | PLACE | Scripture |
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| 1 Virgin Birth of Jesus | Bethlehem | Lu 2:1-7 |
| 2 Water into Wine | Cana | Joh 2:1-11 |
| 3 Miraculous Healing of the Nobleman's son | Cana | Joh 4:46-54 |
| 4 Miracle at pool of Bethesda | Jerusalem | Joh 5:1-47 |
| 5 Miracle catch of fishes (1 ST) | Capernaum | Lu 5:1-11 |
| 6 Miraculous Healing of a demoniac | Capernaum | Mr 1:23-27 Lu 4:33-36 |
| 7 Miraculous Healing of Peter's mother-in-law | Capernaum | Mt 8:14,15 Mr 1:29-31 Lu 4:38,39 |
| 8 Healing many sick & diseased | Capernaum | Mt 8:16,17 Mr 1:32-34 Lu 4:40 |

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| 9 Miraculous Healing of a leper | Galilee | Mt 8:1-4 Mr 1:40-45 Lu 5:12-16 |
| 10 Miraculous Healing of a paralytic | Capernaum | Mt 9:1-8 Mr 2:1-12 Lu 5:18-26 |
| 11 Healing of the man with a withered hand | Capernaum | Mt 12:9-14 Mr 3:1-6 Lu 6:6-11 |
| 12 Miraculous Healing of the centurion's servant | Hill of Hattin? | Mt 8:5-13 Lu 7:1-10 |
| 13 Raising of the son of the Widow of Nain | Nain | Lu 7:11-17 |
| 14 Healing a blind, mute, demon possessed man | Capernaum | Mt 12:22 |
| 15 Christ miraculously calms the storm | Sea of Gennesaret | Mt 8:24-27 Mr 4:37-41 Lu 8:23-25 |
| 16 Miracle involving the Geresene demoniacs | Gergesa | Mt 8:28-34 Mr 5:1-15 Lu 8:27-35 |
| 17 Heals the Woman with issue of blood | Gennesaret | Mt 9:20-22 Mr 5:22 Lu 8:41 |
| 18 Raises Jairus' daughter from the dead | Capernaum | Mt 9:18,23-25 Mr 5:22 Lu 8:41 |
| 19 Heals Two blind men | Capernaum | Mt 9:27-30 |
| 20 Casts out a Dumb spirit | Capernaum | Mt 9:32,33 |
| 21 Feeding of the five thousand | Bethsaida | Mt 14:13-21 Mr 6:30-44 Lu 9:12-17 Joh 6:1-13 |
| 22 Jesus (& Peter) walking on the water | Lake Gennesaret | Mt 14:25 Mr 6:48 Joh 6:19 |
| 23 Healing the demon possessed daughter of the Syrophenician woman | Tyre | Mt 15:21-29 Mr 7:24-30 |
| 24 Miraculous Healing of the deaf and dumb man | Tyre, Sidon | Mr 7:32 |
| 25 Miraculous Healing of many sick persons | Decapolis | Mt 15:30,31 |
| 26 Miraculous Feeding of the four thousand | Gennesaret | Mt 15:32-39 Mr 8:1-9 |
| 27 Miraculous Healing of the Blind man | Bethsaida | Mr 8:23-27 |
| 28 The transfiguration | Mt. Hermon | Mt 17:1-8 Mr 9:2-8 Lu 9:28-36 |
| 29 Miraculous Healing the demoniac child | Mt. Hermon | Mt 17:14-21 Mr 9:14-27 Lu 9:37-42 |
| 30 The Coin in the fish's mouth | Capernaum | Mt 17:27 |
| 31 Miraculous Healing of the man blind from birth | Jerusalem | Joh 9:1 |
| 32 He miraculously heals the mute demoniac | Judea | Mt 12:22-45 Lu 11:14 |
| 33 Healing a woman bent over for 18 years | Judea | Lu 13:10-17 |
| 34 Healing of the man with dropsy (swelling) | Peraea | Lu 14:1-6 |
| 35 Resurrection of Lazarus | Bethany | Joh 11:17-46 |
| 36 Miraculous Healing of the ten lepers (Restores 1) | Borders of Samaria | Lu 17:12-19 |

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| 37 Miraculous Healing of Blind Bartimaeus | Near Jericho | Mt 20:29-34 Mr 10:46-52 Lu 18:35-43 |
| 38 Miraculous Withering of the barren fig-tree | Mt. of Olives | Mt 21:18-19 Mr 11:12-14 |
| 39 Christ miraculously heals the ear of Malchus | Gethsemane | Lu 22:51 |
| 40 Upon His death darkness over all the land | Golgotha | Mt 27:45 Mr 15:33 Lu 23:44,45 |
| 41 Raised Himself from the dead | The Garden Tomb | Matt 27, Mr 16, Lu 24, Joh 20 |
| 42 Vanishes before the Emmaus travelers | Emmaus | Mt 28:9 |
| 43 Appears to 11 Apostles – Walks through walls | Jerusalem | Lu 24:33 Joh 20:19 |
| 44 2 nd Miraculous catch of Fishes | Tiberias | Joh 21:1-11 |
| 45 THE ASCENSION | Bethany | Mr 16:19 Lu 24:50,51, Acts 1 |

I just listed 45 miracles from Jesus in your Bible. You can check out my notes on redemptionplano.com to review them and see all the scripture references.

BUT you should know that there are more than 45 miracles done by Jesus.

John 21:25 (NIV) Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.

The Miracles of Jesus, reveal Jesus

This was true in John 3 for Nicodemus. It is still true for us today! The list of 45 miracles I read to you is not meant to serve as historical fossils in a museum exhibit... The list of miracles, spiritual deliverances, and healings from the Bible are not meant to remind you what Jesus used to do in the past, a long time ago.

This Truth in your Bible reveals what Jesus did and STILL DOES TODAY!

The Same Jesus Still Does Miracles

What Jesus did yesterday, He still does today. What Jesus does today, He will do forever. Scripture tells us this is true.

Hebrews 13:8 (NIV) Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Do you believe Jesus still does miracles? Do you still believe that He can deliver people from demons? Do you still believe that Jesus heals?

There are Christians who believe Jesus is the Lord & savior... they believe the Word of God is true and unchanging... yet they reject miracles, deliverances, and healings. This is actually their doctrinal stance... this is actually what they teach and amen in their church services...

That is hard to fathom, right?

But let's bring this closer to home for most of us...

There are Christians who believe Jesus is the Lord & savior... they believe the Word of God is true and unchanging... yet, they don't pray for miracles, deliverance, or healing. This is not their doctrinal stance... but it is how they live.

Redemption Church I am talking to you!

Are we serving the same Jesus? Do we amen the sermon on a God who still does miracles, but then live a life void of faith, void of prayer & expectation, void of miracles signs & wonders?

We serve the same Jesus who walked on water, calmed the seas, raised the dead, healed blind eyes, feed the multitude, cast our demons, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven. How dare we not pray and believe in miracles!

A Jesus who no longer performs miracles is not the same Jesus

Do you really believe in the same Jesus? If you do believe in the same Jesus, then when you see a problem, a sickness, an evil, a need, a hurt, a depression... then you ought to call on Jesus to come be the SAME Jesus who does miracles.

The Same Jesus Still Does Miracles

Believe it! Profess it! Live it!

But what if the miracle doesn't happen?

Sometimes miracles don't happen. Did you know this? Why is that? I want to give you 3 reasons miracles don't happen when you pray.

#1 a lack of faith.

There is a place in Mark 6 where Jesus went to perform miracles and was not able to perform all the miracles he desired to do.

Mark 6:5-6 (NIV) He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith...

Sometimes miracles don't happen because of a lack of faith. In that city Jesus wanted to do more, but a lack of faith hindered what Jesus wanted to do.

#2 a purpose for the pain

3 times Paul prayed a painful "thorn in the flesh." We aren't sure what this thorn was. What we do know is that Paul prayed 3 times for God to remove it.

2 Corinthians 12:8-9 (NIV) Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

God never healed Paul of this pain, because God had a purpose for the pain. God was using the pain to teach Paul something and to put Paul in the place where He really wanted Paul to be.

Sometimes people ask for prayer for a healing or a miracle in their finances, when what God really wants for them to do is to repent of their sins. God is actually using the pain for a purpose... until His purpose is fulfilled, God may not work the miracle.

#3 God wants to flow THROUGH you

Sometimes God wants His healing power, his provision, and his deliverance to flow through **You**. The reason why the miracle doesn't happen is because you are not present in the action.

But what if the miracle doesn't happen?

If you pray and the miracle doesn't happen it does NOT mean...

- You were wrong to pray.
- That God doesn't want to heal.
- That God won't work the miracle later.

The Same Jesus Still Does Miracles

Jesus desires to work miracles. He wants to work a miracle today.

Before I close today I want you to talk to God and for His healing power to flow into your life.

Healing flows

I gave you 3 reasons why miracles don't take place when you pray... Now I want to give you 3 ways healing flows.

Healing flows from Jesus

Jesus is the source of all healing. Physical, spiritual, emotional, mental healing all comes from Jesus!

Isaiah 53:5 (NIV) But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

The punishment that Jesus took in being beaten, carrying the cross, and being nailed in his hands and feet... all of that punishment was for you. It was for the salvation of your soul, but also for your healing.

Healing flows from Jesus on the cross! You can be healed today because healing still flows from Jesus!

Healing flows through faith in Jesus

Healing flows from Jesus and through FAITH in Jesus!

Acts 3:16 (NIV) By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

Faith in His name! The name of Jesus is so powerful! Do you have faith in his name? The lame man in Acts 3 was healed by faith in the NAME OF JESUS!

The healing flows from Jesus, but the healing also flows THROUGH FAITH in Jesus.

You may be thinking... I don't know if I have faith enough... Do you have enough faith to ask? Start there!

Jesus taught us that a small amount of faith can move mountains. (Matthew 17:20)

Healing flows from Jesus, through faith in Jesus, and lastly...

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Healing flows through you

Jesus wants His power to flow through you and into someone else. This pattern is all over scripture.

In Mark 16 Jesus tells His followers that they will “lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.”

In James 5:14 it says... “Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up”

It is Jesus’ plan that His healing flows through you. He wants you to pray for healing. He wants you to lay hands on people in prayer.

John 14:12 (NIV) 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.

Redemption Church, Jesus wants His miracles to flow through us!

Do you want to see the **Same** Jesus doing miracles in your world?

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Do you need a miracle today?
The same Jesus still does miracles.

I have received miracles in my life. Jesus healed my wife of epilepsy and miraculously made her able to give birth to 3 wild boys. Jesus did that!

That miracle flowed straight from Jesus. That miracle flowed through Faith in Jesus. And that miracle flowed through a church that believed in prayer.

Do you believe in prayer tonight?