

Jesus: The Greatest Show on Earth- I Believe In Miracles

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I. Introduction

A. *John 20:31*

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

II. I Believe In Miracles

A. Foundation

1. *John 2:11*

This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his Glory. And his disciples in him.

a. Purpose of a miracle is to:

1. Bring glory to God
2. Stir faith in us

2. While God is able to perform miracles at any time, It does not mean miracles on demand.

3. While miracles are not on demand, it also doesn't mean then but not now.

III. Insights about miracles

A. Miracles often flow out of what you have.

John 2:1-2

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there 2 Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples.

1. *John 2:3*

When the wine ran out

- a. What does the Bible say about drinking?
- b. Honor-Shame culture

2. *John 2: 3-4*

When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, " They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come."

3. *John 2:5*

His mother said to the servants, " Do whatever he tells you."

- a. Good advice for all of life - do what Jesus says!

4. *John 2:6*

Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of Purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

B. Miracles flow out of active faith and active obedience.

John 2:7

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them to the brim.

1. Hebrews 11 faith examples

2. *Hebrews 11:32-34*

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets.. 33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

C. As you wait for your miracle

1. Have you done everything you are capable of doing?

2. Have you done everything you've been counseled to do?

3. Have you removed all impediments of God's work through prayer?

4. Are you praying in faith?

5. Are you praying with God's glory as your motive?

D. Miracles flow to the glory of Jesus

John 2:8-10

And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from(though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, " Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now."

1. Recognizing where our blessings come from.

E. *John 2:11*

This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his Glory. And his disciples believed him.

IV. Conclusion

