

It's a Miracle! Series: Gospel of John, #7 John 2:1-12 Pastor Lyle Wahl April 23, 2023

## God's miracles—some basic descriptions.

- 1. Surveying the range of ideas.
- 2. Zeroing in on Biblical concepts.

## God's miracles—some basic principles.

- 1. God is concerned about things that are important to us. (3-9)
- 2. God always does His work His way. (3-4)
- 3. God seldom does what you can and should do. (7)
- 4. God works His miracles to reveal His glory. (11)
- 5. God works miracles to confirm His people's faith. (11)

A miracle is an unusual event in the physical realm by the direct working of God accomplishing a useful work, revealing His presence, power and truth, and which is for His glory.

## In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

**Monday**. Yesterday we explored miracles as we looked at 2:1-12. What have been your thoughts about miracles? Review any notes you took on "some basic descriptions" and the definition given in the outline. Compare these to what you have thought about miracles.

**Tuesday.** One of the principles for having a clear perspective on God's miracles (and all of His work) is that God is concerned about what is important to us. Coupled with this is that God always does His work His way. Review the verses and points in the outline comparing them to your attitude and approach to God in these things.

**Wednesday.** Two more principles of God's working are that God seldom does what you can and should do, and that God works His miracles to reveal His glory. Think through your desires and prayers for God to act. In each one check to make sure you are fulfilling your part. Remember, God's miracles have the overarching purpose of revealing His glory. Guard against a predominantly "my [or, others'] needs" focus on miracles.

**Thursday**. One of the reasons God has and does work miracles is to confirm His people's faith, as evidenced in this event and the disciples (verse 11). Review some of the notable miracles of the Old and New Testaments looking at the confirmation of faith for people then, as well as for us today. Thank God for this gracious work.

**Friday – Saturday.** On Sunday we plan to look at *Radial Christianity*. Read through 2:12-25 in preparation for our time together.

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