

Bible Study – February 5, 2020

Miracles of Jesus – Walking on Water

Miracle: A divine act by which God reveals himself to people.

The presence of the miraculous is evident through the entire bible, however in the New Testament it differs, in that it is transcended by the presence of the very Son of God, who himself is the greatest miracle of all. God now has not only acted in history; he has entered history and has turned it to himself. John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

The NT uses the idiom, “signs and wonders,” (cf. Mt 24:24; Mk 13:22; Jn 4:48; Acts 2:43). It signifies the mighty act itself by which God is revealed in Christ. Another term is “work,” which along with sign is preferred in the Gospel of John. This term is used in John to show that in Jesus the work of the Father is revealed.

Matthew 14:25-32

²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.”

²⁸ Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹ He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

This miracle is tailored encourage us to pursue with passion and fervor the things that God has called us to do. However, there is one caveat; you must be willing to STEP OUT on Faith.

Water Walking Faith requires us to:

1) **SEEK TO** _____ **THE** _____ **OF** _____.

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2) **KEEP OUR** _____ **FIXED ON** _____.

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3) **HAVE A** _____ **IN** _____.

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