

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE PURPOSE OF MIRACLES

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PART 2: THREE MORE REASONS

Webster's dictionary defines the word "miracle" in the following way: an extraordinary event manifesting divine intervention in human affairs.

PROVE THE DEITY OF JESUS

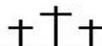
- Jesus' first miracle involved turning water into wine. **John 2:1-11**
- The Prophet Isaiah spoke of Jesus. **Luke 4:18-21**
- John the Baptist's disciples came to Jesus to see if He was the Messiah. **Matthew 11:1-6**
- Jesus forgave the sin of the sick man and then healed him. **Luke 5:17-26**
- Jesus said that if you did not believe He was the Son of God, then look at the works He did and that would lead you to see the Father. **John 14:1-12**
- John said that he did not record all the miracles of Jesus. **John 20:30-31**

CONFIRM THE WORD

- Jesus is the Word of God, the Creator, and the Messiah (Savior) of whom the Old Testament prophets foretold. **John 1:1-15; Revelation 19:11-16**
- The Gospel was a new message which the Apostle's were to take throughout the world, but how could they prove that Christ had sent them? They only had the Old Testament writings because the New Testament had not yet been written. They only had Jesus' promise that He would confirm the words He had spoken. **Mark 16:15-18**
 - ❖ Once a truth has been proven, it is forever established.
- The author of Hebrews gives a good description. **Hebrews 2:1-4**

LEAD PEOPLE TO CHRIST

- The gift of salvation is the greatest miracle. **John 3:1-21**
 - ❖ Nicodemus recognized an important truth: ***No man can do miracles like Jesus except God be with him.***
- Miracles profit little if people still end up in hell. **John 5:19-47**
- It was the law given through Moses that leads us to Jesus. **Galatians 3:22-26**
- Jesus promised that we would do greater works than Him. **John 14:12-15**
- As Philip preached Jesus Christ to the people, there were miracles happening that the people saw for themselves and later related to others. This caused



people who had missed the talked about miracle to want to see it with their own eyes. The end result was that many were saved. **Acts 8:5-8**

SUMMARY

Miracles are a benefit of Salvation and serve to confirm the Word you preach. Jesus did not come to perform miracles but used them to accomplish His goal in providing atonement for mankind. They can be used on a daily basis to show the power of God to unbelievers and build up the faith of Christians around you. When you preach Christ crucified, Jesus will confirm the words in the Bible, and make it alive to those around you.