

I Choose to Believe in Miracles

Miracles. What does it take to experience a bona fide, too-good-to-be-true, honest-to-goodness miracle?

Why are miracles rampant throughout the New Testament, yet they seem to elude all of us living in the 21st century?

Why are miracles a way of life in Africa and in other Third World nations but are scarce in the Western church?

Where are the miracles?

Some great theologians believe that the age of miracles has passed. I feel sorry for those particular theologians, don't you?

I choose to believe. I choose to stand in faith for a miracle of epic proportions in spite of the winds of circumstance that blow ferociously and in defiance of the clouds of doubt that loom threateningly over my life.

I choose to pray. I choose to pray without ceasing and to push mountains out of the way while on my knees. I choose to stay in the prayer closet until hell surrenders with just a whimper of protest.

I choose to declare. I choose to declare the goodness, the power and the authority of God over every impossibility in my life. I choose to declare the things to come and to usher God's promises into every circumstance by the words that I boldly speak.

I choose to fast. I choose to fast until a breakthrough occurs in the circumstances of earth. You know, every man or woman who saw the miraculous occur in the Bible chose to fast rather than to faint.

God has not changed. The same God who parted the Red Sea, who closed the mouths of lions and who protected three men in the fiery furnace is the God of me.

The same God who turned water into wine, who raised Lazarus from the dead and who fed a hungry, ravenous crowd with five loaves of bread and two fish is the God of today!

The God of Acts is the God of now. The God of Moses, Abraham, Esther, Hannah, Peter and Paul is the God of you. His hand still moves ... His power is still strong ... and He always has the last word. Always!

I believe that we are about to enter a new and exciting day of miracles! I believe that as the people of God stand in faith with their hands in the air and their focus on the resounding power of God that He will indeed begin to move among us in a new season of miracles. I believe that we are about to see blind eyes instantly be restored to 20/20 vision, that the lame will walk with a spring in their step and unexplainable strength in their motion and that long-held addictions will miraculously disappear.

I believe that babies will be birthed from formerly infertile wombs, that prodigals will come home and that doors of destiny will be opened in a "suddenly"! God's hand is extended still, and He has not changed.

The miracles of the New Testament are about to become the expected occurrences of daily life in the 21st century. His power is headed toward Earth in an avalanche of grace and goodness. Time does not lessen the authority, resolve or intention of God.

I will believe ... I will pray ... I will declare ... I will fast ... will you? Your miracle may be just one choice away. {eo}

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