

God of Miracles

A MESSAGE SERIES AT JOURNEY

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¹⁴ You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples. **Psalm 77:14 NIV**

Through divine actions, the God of wonders reveals His character, His purposes, and His power on earth.

WHAT IS A MIRACLE?

- A miracle is an unusual manifestation of God's power in which He intervenes in human affairs.
- Miracles display God's power, inspire wonder, and act as signs that prove who God is or substantiate His message to the world.

THE MIRACLE OF SALVATION.

- **It's a miracle that happens every day, as God takes a rebellious sinner, forgives his sin, grants him life, lavishes him with grace, adopts him as a child, and seals him for eternity—all because of the death and resurrection of Christ.**

A REBELLIOUS SINNER.

²³ For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. ²⁴ Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. ²⁵ For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood... **Romans 3:23-25a NLT**

WE MOVE FROM LIVING FOR SELF TO LIVING FOR GOD.

¹⁹ For when I tried to keep the law, it condemned me. So I died to the law—I stopped trying to meet all its requirements—so that I might live for God. ²⁰ My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not treat the grace of God as meaningless. For if

keeping the law could make us right with God, then there was no need for Christ to die. **Galatians 2:19-21 NLT**

- **I live by trusting in Jesus.**
- **The keys to peace are trust and surrender.**

WE ARE MADE NEW.

¹⁷ This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! ¹⁸ And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. ¹⁹ For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. ²⁰ So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" ²¹ For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ. **2 Corinthians 5:17-21 NLT**

- **You no longer have to live the way you've always lived.**
- **It's a gift from God, not something we earn.**
- **We receive God's amazing grace.**

²⁰ God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant. ²¹ So just as sin ruled over all people and brought them to death, now God's wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Romans 5:20-21 NLT**

¹ Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? ² Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it? ³ Or have you forgotten that when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death? ⁴ For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives. **Romans 6:1-4 NLT**

- **We have died to sin so therefore we live differently.**
- **Baptism is not really an option for a follower of Christ.**

HIS FOR ETERNITY.

²⁷ "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me, ²⁹ for my Father has given them to me, and he is more powerful than anyone else. No one can snatch them from the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one." **John 10:27-30 NLT**

³⁵ Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? ³⁶ (As the Scriptures say, "For your sake we are killed every day; we are being slaughtered like sheep.") ³⁷ No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. ³⁸ And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor

our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. ³⁹ *No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.* **Romans 8:35-39 NLT**

Next Step for me today...

- **To receive God's greatest gift by faith.**
- **To truly live for God by faith.**