

DESIRING SPIRITUAL GIFTS

“Eagerly pursue Love, yet desire Spiritual Gifts...”

- 1st Corinthians 14:1

Class 14

Miracles

• Literal Meaning:

- To do powerful deeds
 - The ability to authenticate the message of God through supernatural interventions

• Supporting References:

• 1st Corinthians 12:10 & 28-29

- 10) To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:
- 28) And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
- 29) Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?

• John 2:1-11

- 1) And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:
- 2) And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
- 3) And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
- 4) Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.
- 5) His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.
- 6) And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.
- 7) Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.

- 8) And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it.
- 9) When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,
- 10) And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now.
- 11) This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

• Luke 5:1-11

- 1) And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,
- 2) And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets.
- 3) And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.
- 4) Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.
- 5) And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.
- 6) And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.
- 7) And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.
- 8) When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.
- 9) For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:
- 10) And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.
- 11) And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

• Hebrews 2:3-5

- 3) How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;
- 4) God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?
- 5) For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.

- Acts 15:12

12) Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

- Characteristics:

- People with this Gift:

- Express confidence in God's faithfulness and his ability to manifest Himself
- Claim God to be the source of all miracles and glorify Him

- Traits:

- Bold, Convincing, Confident

- Cautions

- People with this Gift:

- Need to remember that all miracles are from God