



## Key References:

### **2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

### **Matthew 8:16–17 (ESV)**

That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “He took our illnesses and bore our diseases.”

### **Matthew 10:7–8 (NIV)**

As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

### **Acts 5:12–16 (NLT)**

<sup>12</sup> The apostles were performing many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers were meeting regularly at the Temple in the area known as Solomon’s Colonnade. <sup>13</sup> But no one else dared to join them, even though all the people had high regard for them. <sup>14</sup> Yet more and more people believed and were brought to the Lord—crowds of both men and women. <sup>15</sup> As a result of the apostles’ work, sick people were brought out into the streets on beds and mats so that Peter’s shadow might fall across some of them as he went by. <sup>16</sup> Crowds came from the villages around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those possessed by evil spirits, and they were all healed.

### **John 14:12 (NIV)**

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

## **1 – A GOD OF MIRACLES**

**How would you define what a miracle is?**

At the beginning Ivor reflected on how God spoke all the universe into being and mentioned facts such as that there are more stars in the universe than grains of sand on the earth. **How is the miraculous part of the very character of God? How does thinking on these wonders of God influence our expectation of miraculous?**

From 2 Corinthians 5:17 Ivor said; “*if you already believe in salvation then you already believe in miracles*”. **Where do you think he was trying to lead us by saying this? How is salvation within itself a miracle?**

**What kind of miracles are you personally believing for? How long have you been praying them for? How long did Abraham & Sarah have to trust in God for their miracle?**

## **2 – WALKING IN THE MIRACULOUS**

Read Matthew 10:7-8. **What was the context around Jesus saying this? Out of this season how would the disciples have expected the miraculous to continue to flow when going out with the gospel? Does the bible ever say that we will stop seeing miracles?**

Read Acts 5:12-16. **How did miracles in this passage increase the spread of the gospel?**

Ivor shared 4 or 5 stories of miracles that he had seen so far during his life. **What stood out to you and why? What miracles have you personally been a witness to?**

**What did you think about when Ivor spoke about people not getting healed (both in the bible and in our lives today)? How do you cope with unanswered prayers like these? Should you continue to pray for them?**

**How can we conquer our fear of praying for people and expecting miracles? How should faith, obedience and humility all be present when we pray for people?**

Read John 14:12. **How can we start expecting, praying and walking in the belief of a miracle working God today?**