

THE PURPOSE OF MIRACLES | WEEK 1 PASTOR DANNY ANDERSON

"That's the part that really sends me for a whirl... I'm not a typically religious guy. It's hard to explain-it was definitely something. Where and why it came from I'm not sure." – Officer Tyler Beddos

67% believe miracles can happen today.

44% do not believe in the supernatural.

38% have experienced a miracle.

55% of U.S. physicians have witnessed a miracle.

"...an interference with nature by a supernatural force." - C.S. Lewis

"A miracle is an event that is brought about by the power of God that is a temporary exception to the ordinary course of action." – Richard Purtill

"...a divine action that transcends the ordinary course of nature and so generates awe." – Craig Keener

Then he got up and rebuked the wind and waves, and suddenly there was a great calm. The disciples were **amazed**. "Who is this man?" they asked. "Even the wind and waves obey him." *Matthew* 8:26-27

A worldview of ______

Not enough ______ has disproved miracles

Other ______ are more probable

I prayed for a miracle, and it ______

Purpose #1: God wants us to know he .



A man with **leprosy** came and knelt in front of Jesus, begging to be healed. "If you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean," he said. Moved with **compassion**, Jesus reached out and touched him. "I am willing," he said. "Be healed!" Instantly the leprosy disappeared, and the man was healed. *Mark* 1:40-42

Purpose #2: God wants to reveal his
This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory . John 2:11
Purpose #3: God desires to glory.
But when Jesus heard about it he said, "Lazarus's sickness will not end in death. No, it happened for the glory of God, so that the Son of God will receive glory from this." <i>John 11:4</i>
The safest place for a human being is to be in a state of worship.
Purpose #4: God's aim is to build our
This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him. <i>John 2:11</i>
Many of the people who were with Mary believed in Jesus when they saw this happen. <i>John</i> 11:45
Are miracles fulfilling their purpose in your life?
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