

# Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

Series: Make Room: Creating Space for the Spirit to Work

Message 8: Spiritual Gifts – Miracles

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## Connect (25min)

\*Break into groups of 3-4 people to enhance this sharing and prayer time.

### 1. High—Low--Devos

- a. Share 1 Highlight from this past week.
- b. Share 1 Low/Struggle from this past week.
- c. Share 1 thing from your Bible reading/devotions this past week – that encouraged or challenged you.

\*Challenge: If you drank water as often as you read your Bible would you be hydrated or have to go to the hospital?

### 2. P.R.A.Y. Together for Ten. *One person time & transition. Use short “popcorn” prayers.*

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| P - <i>Pause to be still</i>     | (1min of silent reflection)       |
| R - <i>Rejoice &amp; Reflect</i> | (3min of praise & thanksgiving)   |
| A - <i>Ask</i>                   | (3min of prayer for one another)  |
| Y - <i>Yield</i>                 | (3min of surrender to God’s will) |

## Message Discussion (45min)

### 1. Do You Believe in Miracles?

- a. Do you believe that miracles have happened and do happen?
- b. What are miracles? How would you briefly describe what makes something a miracle?
- c. What do you think is the greatest miracle in the Bible?  
*“The greatest miracle in the Bible is recorded in the first verse – ‘In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.’ If that verse is true then every other verse is at least possible...” – Dr. Frank Turek*  
Would you agree with Dr. Turek, or is there another miracle that stands out to you more?
- d. Have you ever witnessed or experienced a miracle, or know someone who has?  
How did this impact your faith and life?

### 2. The Promise & The Gift

- a. Read [John 14:12-14](#).  
What do you think Jesus mean when he says, “*you will do the same works I have done, and even greater works...*”? What do you think it means to “*ask anything in Jesus’ name*”?
- b. Read [1 Corinthians 12:10](#).  
Do you think God still gives people the power (gift) to perform miracles as stated here?

### 3. The Crippled Beggar

- a. Read [Acts 3:1-10](#) and yourself in the place of the beggar.  
What do you imagine that life would have looked like for you in that time and culture?
- b. What did the crippled man ask for versus what Peter and John were able to give him?
- c. Look at how Peter and John responded to the man. Think about all that Peter and John experienced over the previous 60 days or so... what do you notice about Peter and John? What has changed in them?
- d. What do you notice about the response of the people to the miracle?

- e. Considering your life before and after meeting Jesus would you describe yourself as one who has grown in your belief that God can do miracles, or do you tend to find yourself not believing as much as you used to?
- f. How did this healing of the lame man work? Did Peter trust that the Holy Spirit would empower the process if he simply spoke by faith or did the Holy Spirit “impress” upon Peter in that moment that the power for a miracle was “available”? Why do you think Peter looked so intently at the man?
- g. Read [Acts 3:11-26, 4:4](#). What does Peter’s message teach us about the gift of miracles?
- h. Who or what did Peter say was responsible for performing the miracle that enabled the lame man to walk?
- i. How many people came to put their faith in Jesus because of what they saw and heard that afternoon? Do you think people believed because of the miracle or the message that Peter delivered, or both?

#### 4. Partnering with God

- a. How are we intended to participate and partner in God’s miraculous kingdom work?
- b. What part does our obedience play in God performing miracles?

#### Prayer (20min)

- a. Do you need a miracle in your life? Let’s be honest, we probably all do...  
Is there a miracle you’re currently waiting on and praying for?  
Where are you needing to believe in God again?  
>> Share together and spend some time praying for one another, asking God for the miracles you need.
- b. Continue to pray through our **2024 Prayer Goals** this week.



#### Resources

Book: [The Case for Miracles: A Journalist Investigates Evidence for the Supernatural](#), by Lee Strobel  
 Video: [Are Miracles Possible? - with Dr. Frank Turek at Main Street Church – PROJECT3:15 Conference](#) (MSC YouTube)  
 Song: [Miracle Child](#), by Brandon Lake