



The word miracle is generally defined as “an event or action that apparently contradicts known scientific laws and is hence thought to be due to supernatural causes, especially to an act of God.” It is also defined as “a remarkable event or thing; a marvel.”

### **SCRIPTURE:**

Many of Christ’s miracles, of course, involved healing the sick or delivering the demon possessed. Matthew records: <sup>23</sup> *Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.* <sup>24</sup> *News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them.* <sup>25</sup> *Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and the region across the Jordan followed him.* (Matthew 4:23-25 NIV)

Christ has authority over the very universe He had created when he commanded the winds to cease on a stormy Galilean sea. Matthew writes: <sup>24</sup> *Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping.* <sup>25</sup> *The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Lord, save us! We’re going to drown!”* <sup>26</sup> *He replied, “You of little faith, why are you so afraid?” Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.* <sup>27</sup> *The men were amazed and asked, “What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!”* (Matthew 8:24-27 NIV)

Jesus not only healed the sick, but he healed the human spirit. When Peter first preached the Gospel to the Gentiles who had gathered at the house of Cornelius, he explained: <sup>36</sup> *You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.* <sup>38</sup> *how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.* (Acts 10: 36, 38)

To be under the power of the devil or oppressed means “to weigh heavily on the mind, spirits, or senses; to cause worry or trouble.” A further definition reads, “to keep down by the cruel or unjust use of power or authority.” This speaks of the attempts of Satan to destroy the human spirit. The very presence of the Miraculous Jesus overcomes that oppression. In that sense, the mere presence of Christ is, in and of itself, the miracle.

**PRAYER FOR TODAY:** Jesus, I bow before you today in awe of your healing power and matchless miracles. The stories of your miraculous life reveal to me your caring heart for a hurting world. I see your power in bringing life to the lifeless and setting captives free. In these moments in your presence, I prayerfully invite your miraculous power into my everyday circumstances. Thank you for meeting me daily in my areas of anxiety, weakness, and need. May your kingdom reign in my health, in my life, in my work, in my relationships, and in my world. And for the greatest miracle of my life, just knowing you, I gratefully thank you. Amen.

## **GLORIFY HIS NAME**

All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord;  
they will bring glory to your name (Psalm 86:9 NIV)

My Safe Lead	Psalm 31:3 MSG
My Safe Place	Psalm 94:22 TPT
My Safe Retreat When Trouble Descends	Jeremiah 16:19 MSG
My Salvation	Psalm 38:22 NKJV
My Salvation God	Psalm 51:14 MSG
My Savior-God	Psalm 18:46 TPT
My Servant	<i>Isaiah 42:1 NLT</i>
My Shepherd	Psalm 23:1 NKJV
My Shield	2 Samuel 22:3 NKJV
My Song	Isaiah 12:2 NKJV
My Soul's True Love	Song of Solomon 3:2 TPT
My Strength	2 Samuel 22:3 NKJV
My Strength and My Song	Isaiah 12:2 NLT
My Strong Champion	Psalm 118:7 MSG
My Stronghold	Psalm 18:2 NIV
My Stronghold of Salvation	Psalm 31:3 TPT
My Strong Shelter and Hiding Place on High	Psalm 31:2 TPT
My Support	Psalm 18:18 NLT
My True Mountain Guide	Psalm 31:3 MSG
My True Shelter	Psalm 94:22 TPT
My True Strength	Psalm 118:14 TPT
My True Tower of Strength	Psalm 94:22 TPT
My Well-Beloved	Isaiah 5:1 NKJV
My Witness	Job 16:19 NIV
Nail into a Solid Wall, A	Isaiah 22:23 MSG
Near One, The	Psalm 75:1 TPT