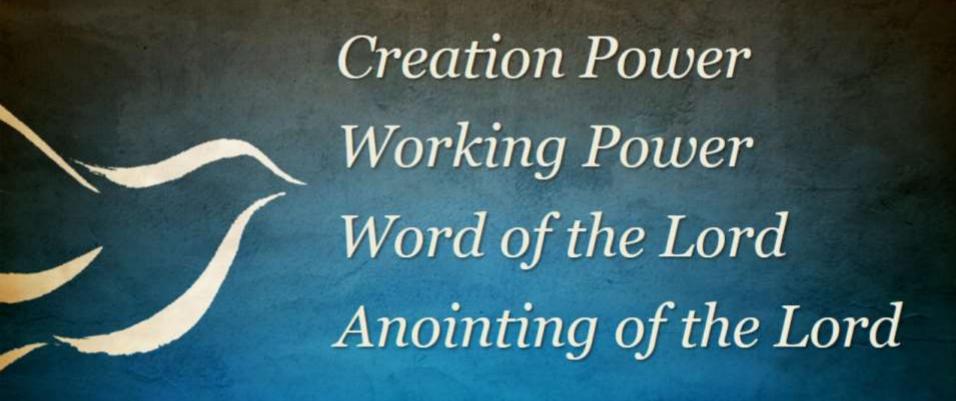
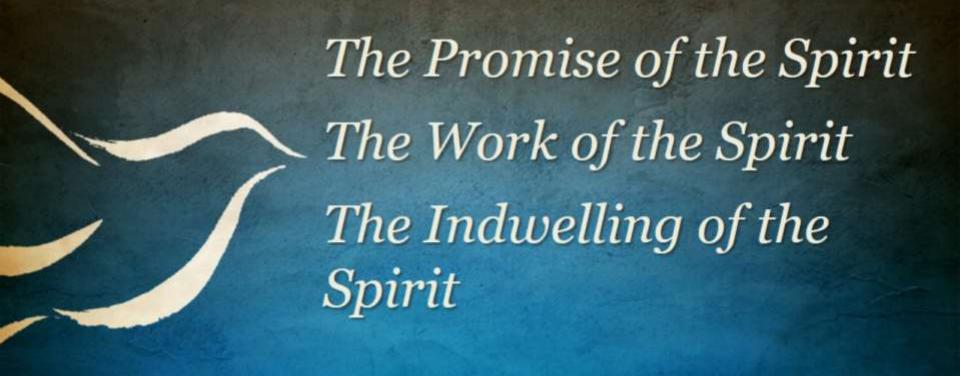


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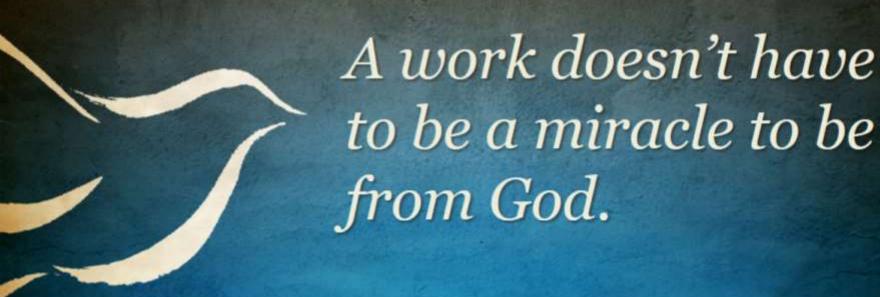


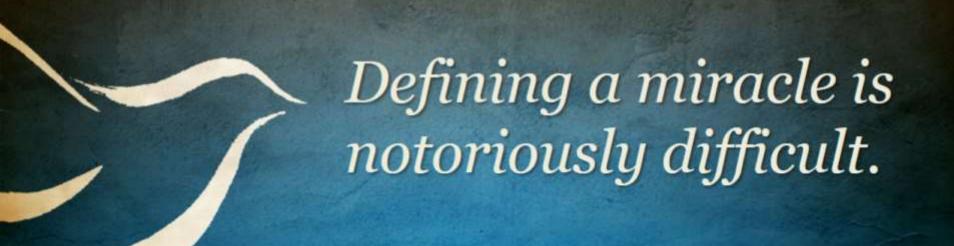
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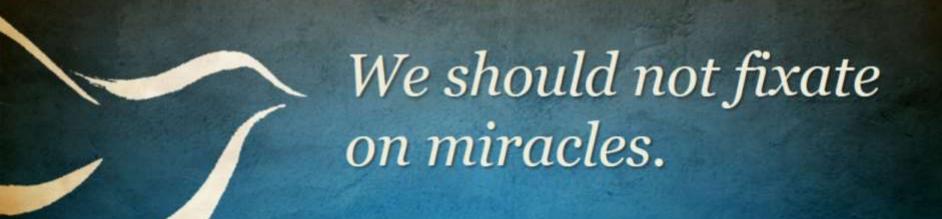
The Spirit in the New Testament







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Jesus answered them and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled.

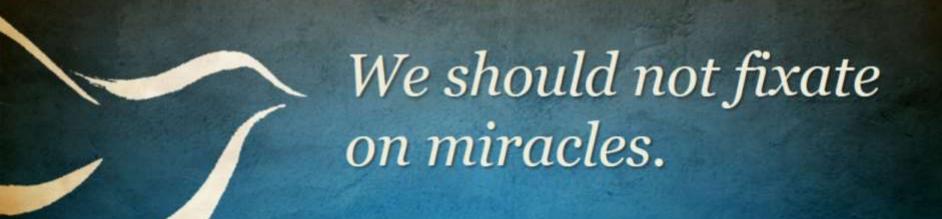
John (6:26)

30 But he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' 31 But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead."



But earnestly desire the greater gifts. And I show you a still more excellent way.

1 Cor. 31 12:31



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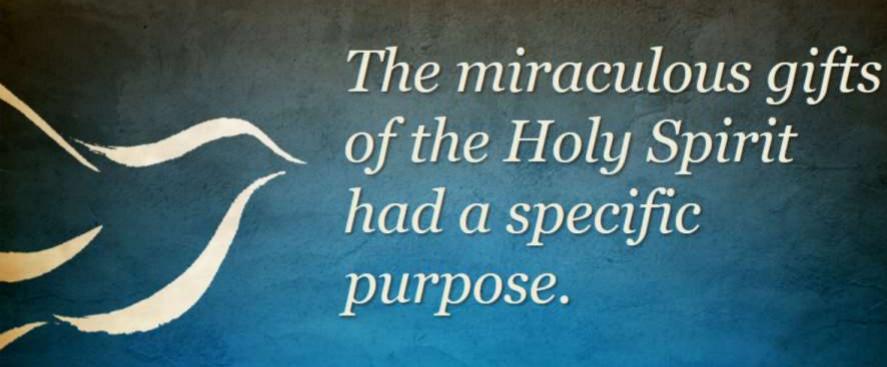
God's power can be seen in both the miraculous and the non-miraculous.

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The miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit are not present in the church today.



Miraculous Gifts Not Present Today

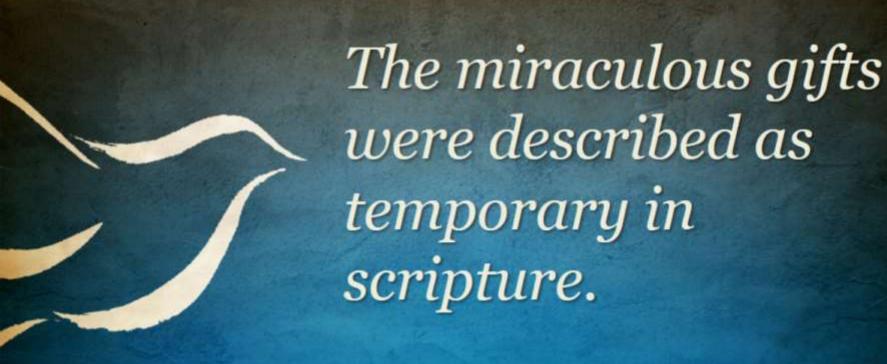


Miraculous gifts today do not match what is commonly described in that way today.

Miraculous Gifts Not Present Today

And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets;

1 Cor. 32



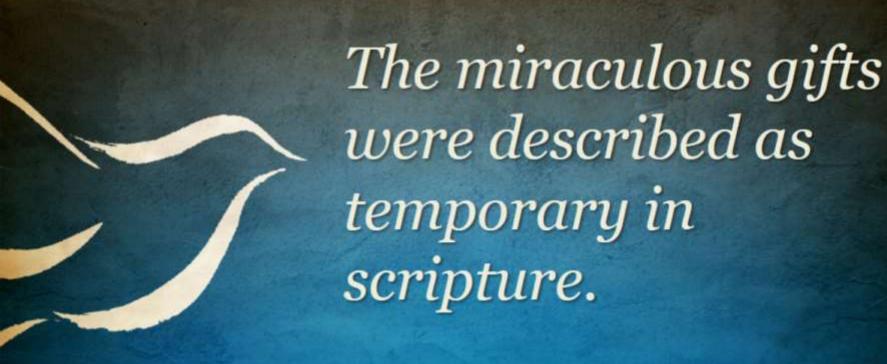
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8 Love never fails; but if there are gifts of prophecy, they will be done away; if there are tongues, they will cease; if there is knowledge, it will be done away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part; 10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away.

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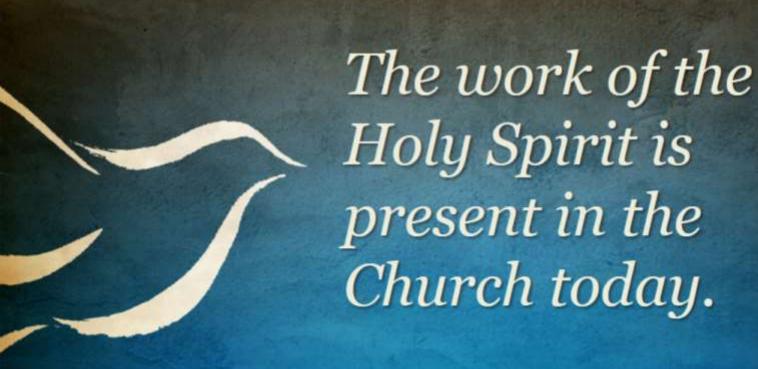


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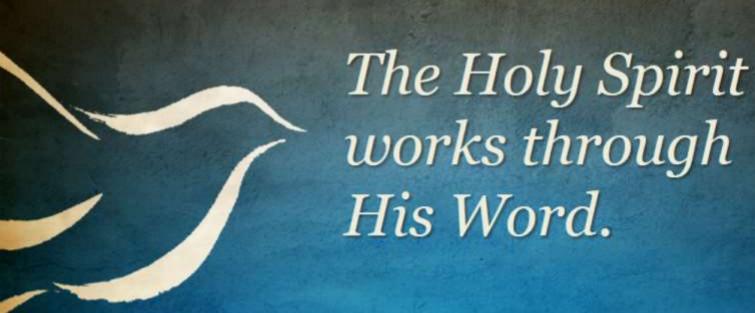


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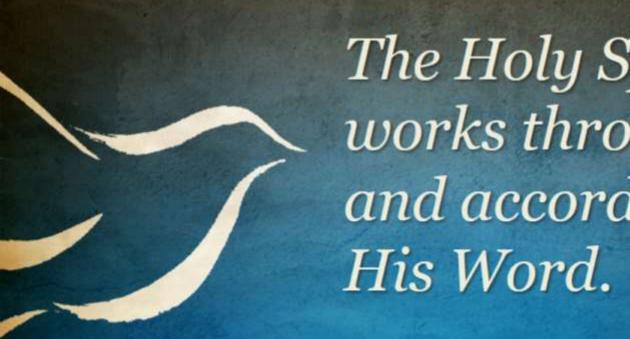








The Spirit At Work Today



The Holy Spirit works through and according to

The Spirit At Work Today

He sanctifies us.

1 Peter 1:2 – "according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood..."

He assures us.

Ephesians 1:13 – "In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation – having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise,"

He encourages us.

Romans 8:26 – In the same way the Spirit also helps our weaknesses; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words;

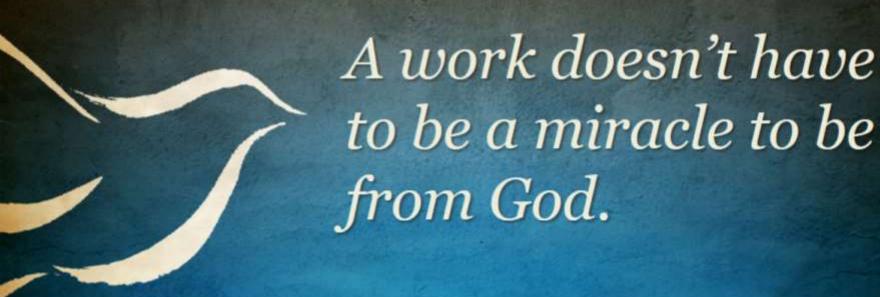
He empowers us.

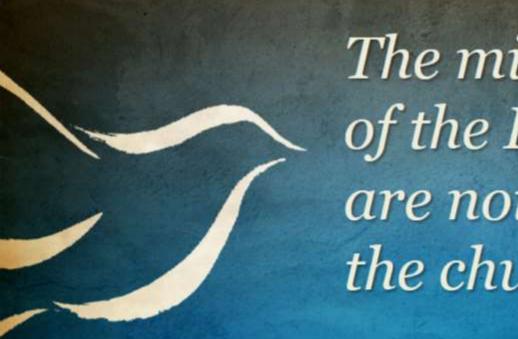
Philippians 2:13 – For it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.



We can pray for God to work, even though we don't expect the miraculous gifts in Acts.

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