

MIRACLES

Acts 9:31-43

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WHAT IS THIS TEXT ABOUT?

1. GOD USED MIRACLES TO GROW THE CHURCH EXPONENTIALLY.

"Aeneas," Peter said to him, "Jesus Christ heals you. Get up and take care of your mat." Immediately Aeneas got up. Acts 9:34

Peter... said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴³ He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called the believers and the widows and presented her to them alive. Acts 9:40-41

"Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." Acts 2:43, 47b

2. MIRACLES ALWAYS HAD A KINGDOM PURPOSE.

³⁵ *"All those who lived in Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord..... ⁴² This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord."* Acts 9:35, 42 (NIV)

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,..... ¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below..." Acts 2:17-19 (ESV)

- TO _____ GOD

- TO _____ THE MESSAGE OR MESSENGER

- TO _____ GOD'S WILL

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME (US) TODAY?

1. GOD STILL USES MIRACLES TO GROW THE CHURCH.

2. MIRACLES HAVE TO HAVE A _____.

"And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." **Romans 8:28 (NASB)**

WHAT SHOULD I DO BECAUSE OF THIS TEACHING?

1. _____ WITH A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW GOD WORKS.

2. CULTIVATE A FAITH IN THE _____.