



- When we are made aware of our **need** of Jesus, so we seek to know Jesus.

...the report of his (Jesus') power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear him preach and to be healed of their diseases... Luke 5:15 (NLT)

If you want to encounter Jesus:

- You have to recognize your **need** of Jesus.

And the Lord's healing power was strongly with Jesus. Luke 5:17 (NLT)

"You'll remember, friends, that when I first came to you, I didn't try to impress you with polished speeches and the latest philosophy. I deliberately kept it plain and simple: first Jesus and who he is; then Jesus and what he did--Jesus crucified." 1 Corinthians 2:1-2 (MSG)

- A Jesus revolution happens when I discover that Jesus is a **miracle worker**.

"On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." John 2:1-3

How we tend to miss Jesus:

- We focus on **feelings** instead of faith.

"We live by faith, not by sight." 2 Corinthians 5:7

- We **take matters** into our own hands.

In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Isaiah 30:15 (NIV)

You said, 'No, we will flee on horses.' Therefore you will flee! You said, 'We will ride off on swift horses.' Therefore your pursuers will be swift! Isaiah 30:16 (NIV)

...till you are left like a flagstaff on a mountaintop, like a banner on a hill." Isaiah 30:17 (NIV)

There'll be nothing left of you— a flagpole on a hill with no flag, a signpost on a roadside with the sign torn off." Isaiah 30:17 (MSG)

You will be like lonely trees on the distant mountaintops. Isaiah 30:17 (TLB)

Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him! Isaiah 30:18 (NIV)

- We exaggerate the **negative**.

How to experience Jesus as a miracle worker:

- Do what **Jesus** tells you to do.

"His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'" John 2:5

"This plan of mine is not what you would work out, neither are my thoughts the same as yours! For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than yours, and my thoughts than yours." (Isaiah 55:8-9 LB)

And he did not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith. Matthew 13:58 (NIV)

- Focus on what Jesus wants to do **in you**.

"Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons." John 2:6

- Understand that life is full of miracles, and most of them we are **unaware** of.

"Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.' They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew." John 2:8-9

- Jesus can be trusted to do what's **best**.

"Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- What is a personal need in your life that would make you look for a Jesus revolution in your life?
- Talk through the process one might go through of having a need for a miracle and seeking to experience Jesus the miracle worker.
- Talk through the points under the sub-heading "How we tend to miss Jesus". What would you say is your greatest struggle in this area?
- Why is doing what Jesus tells us to do such an essential part of experiencing Jesus as a miracle worker? Do you tend to be a person who's obedience is based on if the instruction of Jesus makes sense to you?
- When a miracle is delayed in your life do you ask - "Jesus, what are you wanting me to learn?" Why is this important?
- Are you aware that there are many miracles Jesus is doing that you are unaware of?
- Can you trust Jesus to do what's best in your life? Are you aware that what Jesus does is far better than what we do in our own strength and wisdom?

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