

WEEKEND RESOURCES | **FEBRUARY 4, 2024**Baptism Weekend | God of Miracles

USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE DURING YOUR STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

Message Recap: The Good News of Salvation is a miracle in every believer's life. If you haven't said yes to Jesus, you can also have that miracle as part of your story.

Main Points

- Simple Faith
- Finished Faith
- Lived Faith

Setting Started

• Describe one of your "How did I get here?" moments. What made that experience so unreal and memorable for you?

Observation

- Read and reflect on Romans 1:16-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18; Acts 10:24-48
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?



reachout

• One of the easiest and most effective things we can do for our neighbors, co-workers, friends, and family is to pray for them. We can't force people to follow Jesus, but we can ask Jesus to draw them to himself. Who are you praying for that is close to you and far from God? Maybe they need a miracle in their life.



- How can the Christian faith be described as a Simple Faith? In what ways have we tried to complicate the Simple Faith we've been offered?
- Reread Romans 1:16-17. In what ways do these verses describe a Finished Faith? What are you still trying to do to "earn" a Finished Faith?
- We believe that Following Jesus Makes Life Better but not easier. Talk about how you have Lived Faith and experienced that Jesus Makes Life Better.
- Share about when and why you were baptized. If you have yet to be baptized, consider why you have not taken this step. Remember that baptism is the public display of your decision to follow Jesus. It does not save you. Only Jesus can do that.



• Baptism is a great way to celebrate people taking their next step in faith. This week, discuss with your family what each of your next steps in faith could look like. How can you help and support each other to take those steps?

>> Next Steps and Prayer

- How many miracles do you need to see to believe? In what ways could you reframe your definition of "miracle" to help you see the miracle of the gospel the Good News of who Jesus is and how he came to save humanity from their sinful ways?
- Close by praying for opportunities to invite people to experience that Jesus Makes Life Better through your story of faith.