

The Miracles of Christ (In Matthew)

Characterized by FAITH, HEALING, MERCY & POWER & reveals God's DISPENSATIONAL WAYS

#	MIRACLE	PLACE	MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	COMMENTS
1	Leper healed	Gennesaret	8:2-4	1:40-44	5:12-15	The LEPER (Jew) and the CENTURION (Gentile) are brought together (not in time but in divine order) to show the Lord's dealing with the Jew in their unbelief, and also His deep grace working in the Gentile's heart. The leper approaches the Lord with homage, but with a most inadequate belief in His love and readiness to meet his need. The Saviour dispels the hopeless disease at once. God had given the Centurion gentile a deeper, fuller sight of Christ and he owns his unworthiness. In the healing of PETER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW it is shown that His grace towards the Gentile does not in the least degree blunt His heart to the claims of relationship after the flesh with Israel. <i>"Can a woman forget her sucking child? yea, they may forget, yet will not I forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands."</i>
2	Centurion's daughter healed	Capernaum	8:5-13		7:1-10	
3	Peter's wife's mother healed	Capernaum	8:14-17	1:29-31	4:38-39	
4	Demoniacs healed	Gadara	8:28-34	5:1-20	8:26-39	In the evening MULTITUDES are brought, taking advantage of the power that had so shown itself, publicly in the synagogue, and privately in the house of Peter; and the Lord accomplished the words of Isa 53: 4 : <i>"Himself," it is said, "took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses..."</i>
5	Paralytic healed	Capernaum	9:2	2:3-12	5:18-26	
6	Jairus' daughter healed	Capernaum	9:18-19, 23-26	5:22-24, 35-43	8:41-42, 49-56	He had been preparing them for the new things , and the impossibility of making them coalesce with the old. Although He bore the consciousness of the vast change He was introducing, and expressed it thus fully and early in the history, nothing turned away His heart from Israel. The case of JAIRUS, THE RULER , shows it. <i>"My daughter is even now dead, but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live."</i> No matter what the great purpose might be before Him, He was there for faith as seen with THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD and stops to heal her. How precious!
7	Woman healed (blood disorder)	Gennesaret	9:20-22	5:25-34	8:43-48	
8	Two blind men healed	Capernaum	9:27-31			TWO BLIND MEN followed Him, crying and saying, Thou Son of David, have mercy on us." It was necessary to complete the picture. Life had been imparted to the sleeping maid of Zion and now the blind men call on Him as the Son of David, and not in vain. They confess their faith, and He touches their eyes. Thus, whatever the peculiarity of the new blessings, the old thing could be taken up, though on new grounds, on the confession that Jesus is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. The two blind men called upon Him as the Son of David; a sample of what will be in the end. So we have the DUMB DEMONIAIC healed. Israel will give full testimony in the bright day of His coming. <i>"As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a dumb man possessed with a devil. And when the devil was come out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel."</i>
9	Dumb demoniac healed	Capernaum	9:32-34			
10	Man with withered hand healed	Capernaum	12:9-14	3:1-6	6:6-11	The healing of THE MAN WITH THE WITHERED HAND was God's answer to Israel's rejection of their Messiah and a promise of the end when they will serve God. It is not enough that Israel be awakened from their sleep of death, and see aright. The healing of the blind and dumb shows there must be a mouth to praise the Lord, and speak of the glorious honour of His majesty.
11	Blind & dumb demoniacs healed	Galilee	12:22		11:14	

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12	Syrophoenician's daughter	Tyre	15:21-28	7:24-30		The Lord could not send THE SYROPHOENICIAN away without a blessing, a picture of the nations in a future day. Instead of giving her at once a reply, He leads her on step by step; for so He can stoop. Such is His grace, such His wisdom. The woman at last meets the heart and mind of Jesus in the sense of all her utter nothingness before God; and the Lord can admire her faith, albeit from Himself, God's free gift.
13	Deaf & dumb man healed	Decapolis	15:29-31	7:31-37		
14	Demoniac child healed	Mt. Herman	17:14-21	9:20-27	9:37-43	
15	Two blind men Blind Bartimaeus	Jericho	20:29-34	10:46-52	18:35-43	The pitiable condition of the DEAF AND DUMB and DEMONIAC , where Satan reigned in fallen ruined man, are equally met by the power of the Messiah. We now enter on the Lord's final presentation of Himself to Jerusalem, traced, from Jericho; from the city which had once been the stronghold of the power of the Canaanite under Satan. The Lord Jesus presenting Himself in grace is the witness of mercy towards those who believed in Israel. It was there that TWO BLIND MEN (for Matthew abounds in this double token of the Lord's grace), sitting by the wayside, cried out, and most appropriately, <i>"Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David!"</i> They were led and taught of God. There was no question of the law but rather the capacity of Messiah. The nation had no sense of its own blindness. It is remarkable that, although there had been signs and wonders given from time to time in Israel, miraculous cures wrought, dead even raised to life, and leprosy cleansed, yet never, previously to the Messiah, do we hear of restoring the blind to sight. <i>"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped." (Isa 35:5)</i>
THE GENERAL AND WIDESPREAD LOVE, MERCY AND POWER OF GOD IN MANIFESTING HIS HEART TO POOR FALLEN MAN						
16	Many healed	Galilee/Syria	4:23-24			In the gospels the Spirit of God gives a vivid picture of the manifestation of the Messiah, of His divine glory, of His grace, power and coming kingdom. In Matthew we get the touching scenes of love, mercy and power with dispensational teaching. <i>"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified." (Isa 61:1-3)</i>
17	All diseased & demons healed	Capernaum	8:16-17	1:32-34, 39	4:40, 41	
18	Many healed	Galilee	9:35			
19	Multitudes healed	Gennesaret	14:36	6:56		
20	Multitudes healed	Galilee	15:29-31			
21	Multitudes healed	Judea	19:2			

JOH 3:33

"He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true."

HEB 11:1

"faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report."

(ROM 1:17; GAL 3:11; HEB 10:38)

"The just shall live by faith."