



“Miracles From Heaven”

Blockbuster Series

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You are the God who performs miracles; you display
your power among the peoples

(Psalm 77:14 NIV).

BELIEVE . . .

1. MIRACLES HAPPEN ALL AROUND YOU

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see . . . And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him (Hebrews 11:1& 6 NIV).

2. YOUR TRIALS ARE FAITH BUILDERS

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything *(James 1:2 – 4 NIV).*

3. IN THE POWER OF MAT FRIENDS

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken (Ecclesiastes 4:12 NIV)

Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a sleeping mat. They tried to take him inside to Jesus, but they couldn't reach him because of the crowd. So they went up to the roof and took off some tiles. Then they lowered the sick man on his mat down into the crowd, right in front of Jesus. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, "Young man, your sins are forgiven (Luke 5:18 – 20 NLT).

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

1. What do you feel about this statement: "Miracles surround us each and every day, so we just need to open our eyes to see them happening"?
2. Have you ever experienced a significant challenge that tested your faith? If so, were you able to overcome the doubt? How so?
3. Jesus says, "I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world (John 6:33 NIV). He shares this to his disciples right before he is about to suffer his trial. How can this perspective help you in the midst of waiting for your miracle to happen?
4. Do you believe that one of God's miracles are the relationships he places in our lives to help us in our time of need? How has God helped you through a trial with the help of some Mat Friends?

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