

Your Miracle This Christmas

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Do you want or maybe *need* a miracle in your life? If God suddenly showed up in your life, what would you like to see happen?

Well, I can't think of a better time for a miracle than Christmas! Let me show you something from Matthew 2:1-12—a passage of Scripture that's very familiar to all of us during the holiday season—

*“Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem...behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, **and have come to worship Him...**”*

Notice—the wise men had come to worship. The **wisest** thing we can do to prepare for our miracle is to **WORSHIP JESUS**.

But when King Herod heard about the newborn King, he immediately began making plans to *kill* Jesus. Why? Because the devil knows that the birth of Jesus is the beginning of all the miracles God will do in your life. But the good news is: if the devil couldn't stop the first miracle; he won't be able to stop the NEXT ONE either! Just as God showed up at just the right time when Jesus was born, He is about to show up on time in your life and situation! Lets see how:

“And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshiped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts: gold and frankincense and myrrh.” Matthew 2:11

Notice—they opened up their TREASURES. Matthew 6:19 says that “where our treasure is, there is our heart also”. So when they opened up their treasures, they were really opening up their hearts! By doing so, they were demonstrating for us what real worship is: it is opening up your heart and giving to God our most valued gifts. The great tradition of Giving at Christmas began right here: God gives the gift of His Son, and in return, we give what we have-- to show that we value Him much more than our own treasures, money and possessions. Our love and worship should always be accompanied with a gift.

Then look at what happens next—in the very next verse-- after they worship Jesus and give Him their gifts:

Now I want you to notice that on the same night the Wise Men worshiped Jesus and presented precious gifts to Him, God interrupted their plans to return to Herod and saved their lives!

And being warned by God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. Matthew 2:12

What an amazing miracle! God shows up, and warns them in a dream THAT NIGHT—not to go back to Herod. Herod's plan was to kill Jesus and kill them, but God showed up.

This is the kind of interrupted sleep that I wouldn't mind! God interrupts their plans and saves their lives. He interrupts the enemy's plan, and gives these men a way out.

This Christmas I want to help give you the opportunity to experience God's divine interruption in your life. Do you need Him to show up in your life today?

Are you ready for your miracle?

First, I want you to think about the situations in your life that you want God to “interrupt”—perhaps He needs to interrupt a sickness in your life, a debt you can't pay, or a problem in your marriage, family or children. Whatever is concerning you—whatever pressure is against you—God is about to show up and interrupt the devil's plan. So write down your prayer request right away on the prayer form I have enclosed.

Second, I want you to think about opening your treasures and giving the Lord a precious gift—a precious gift that will honor our Savior—and I invite you include this love gift in the envelope with your prayer request.

Your gift to God, through this ministry, will be used to save the lost and change the lives of millions of hurting people all around the world with the Word of God—can you think of a better way to honor our Lord?

*I want to send you a copy of my new audio series, **When God Shows Up**, when I receive your gift of any amount to this ministry. I believe that these inspiring messages will help you appreciate the blessings of God all year long.*