

"There is a draw to the supernatural about what we believe, and a fear. For some of us we try to avoid it, for others of us, we try to see it in everything. What is a healthy view of wonders and signs from the Lord? How do we celebrate them when they are revealed to us but not worship them as idols or the purpose of our faith? Join us this week as we look at how the Scriptures teach us to deal with wonders and signs in our modern world."

INTRODUCTION ACTIVITY:

Have you ever witnesses what you would refer to as a miracle? What was it?

MEMORY VERSE:

Acts 2:42-47

"42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44 And all who believed were together and had all things in common. 45 And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved."

SCRIPTURE READING:

Acts 2:43

"And awe[a] came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles."

Matthew 24:24

LifeGroup Curriculum

"For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect."

2 Thessalonians 2:9

"The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders,"

2 Corinthians 12:12

"The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with utmost patience, with signs and wonders and mighty works."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. Skim through the book of Acts with a highlighter in small groups and highlight or underline the word "miracles" or "wonders and signs" or "signs and wonders" used. What do you notice about when it is used?
- 2. From what we read in the Scriptures about wonders and signs, what seem to be their purpose? What is a wonder and a sign?
- 3. The Scriptures seem to talk about false wonders and signs as well as wonders and signs that are indicative of a movement of God. What does this tell us about wonders and signs?
- 4. Are wonders and signs a thing done only in the first century (and before) or are they ongoing? Why do you think this?
- 5. Knowing what we have learned about wonders and signs, how should the modern Christian interact with them today?

CLOSING PRAYER ACTIVITY:

Invite someone to close the group in prayer.



Christ Healing the Blind, oil on canvas by El Greco, c. 1570