

PRINCIPLES OF MIRACLES

1. The first thing to remember about miracles is that there is no order of difficulty among them. One is not harder or bigger than another. They are all the same.

2. Miracles occur naturally as an expression of love. The real miracle is the love that inspires them. In this sense, everything that comes from love is a miracle. This explains the lack of order. All expressions of love are maximal. This is why the miracle in itself does not matter. The only thing that matters is the Source, and this is far beyond human evaluation.

3. All miracles mean Life, and God is the giver of Life. The miracle worker will be directed very specifically.

Planning ahead has been taken as practical advice for lower order concerns, but the Universal Plan is in more masterful hands. Miracle workers will know all they need to know in real time. Make no attempts to plan ahead in this respect.

4. Miracles are habits and should be involuntary. They should not be under conscious control. Consciously selected miracles are an advanced technique. Attempts to choose when, where, and with whom to apply a miracle indicates a misunderstanding of the levels of reality. This is exactly what a miracle is meant to correct, and, as such, miracles should occur involuntarily until this foundational confusion is straightened out.

5. Miracles are natural. It is when they seem to not occur that something has gone wrong.

6. Miracles are everyone's right, but purification from false beliefs is necessary first.

7. Miracles are a form of healing. They supply a lack, and are performed by those who have more for those who have less.

8. Miracles are a kind of exchange. Like all expressions of love, which are always miraculous in the true sense, the exchange transcends the physical laws. A miracle is an undoing of the physical order because it brings more love to the giver and to the receiver.
9. A miracle is misunderstood when it is regarded as a spectacle. The use of miracles as a spectacle to induce belief is wrong. They are really used for and by believers.
10. Prayer is the medium of miracles. Prayer is the natural communication of the Created with the Creator. Through prayer, love is received. Through miracles, love is expressed.
11. Miracles are the product of thought. Thought can produce lower-order or higher-order realities. Misthought regards the physical, and true thought creates the spiritual. It is a law of mind that what is made, regardless of its verity, is believed by its maker.
12. A miracle is a beginning and an end. It thus abolishes time. It is always an affirmation of rebirth, which seems to go back, but really goes forward. It undoes the past in the present, and thus releases the future.
13. Miracles attest to truth. They are convincing because they arise from conviction. Without conviction, they will be considered magic, which does not regard the mind's strength, and therefore misses the power of the miracle.
14. Each day should be devoted to miracles. God created time so that You could use it creatively, and become convinced of innate creativity. Time is a teaching device, and a means to an end. It will cease when it is no longer needed to facilitate learning.
15. Miracles rest on the law and order of eternity, not of time.
16. Miracles are teaching devices for demonstrating that it is more blessed to give than to receive. They simultaneously increase the reserve strength of the giver, and supplement lack of strength in the receiver.

17. Miracles are the absence of the body. They are sudden shifts into invisibility, away from lower order reality. That is why they heal.

18. A miracle is a service. It is the maximal service that one soul can render to another. It is a way of loving your neighbor as yourself. The doer recognizes their own and their neighbor's inestimable value simultaneously.

19. A miracle makes souls one in Christ. Miracles are an industrial necessity. Industry depends on cooperation, and true cooperation requires on miracles.

20. Miracles correct human frailty with the strength of God. A miracle reawakens the awareness that the spirit, and not the body, is the altar of Truth. This is the recognition that leads to the healing power of the miracle.

21. Miracles are natural expressions of total forgiveness. Through miracles, You accept God's forgiveness by extending it to others. The second step is inherent in the first.

22. A miracle rearranges the order of perception, and places the levels in their true perspective. This heals at all levels because all sickness comes from the confusing of levels. The prayer for healing is the only legitimate prayer. This is also be seen as a prayer for forgiveness, and may be stated as "God heal me."

23. Miracles undo the fallacies of time and circumstance. Miracles can heal the sick and raise the dead because you made both conditions, and can abolish both. Since only eternity is real, time is an illusion. The best use of this illusion is constructive progress.

24. You are a miracle. God creates only "that which, or one who, is of surpassing excellence or merit." You are capable of this kind of creation, too, being in the image and likeness of your Creator. Anything else is only your dream, and does not exist. Only the Creations of God are real.

25. Miracles are a part of a chain of forgiveness which, when completed, is the Atonement. This Atonement process works all the time and in all dimensions of time.

26. Miracles both require freedom from fear and represent freedom from fear. Once free from fear, you will no longer tolerate a lack of love in yourself or in everyone else, and effortlessly join in Atonement.

27. A miracle is a Universal Blessing from God through Christ to you. It is the privilege of the forgiven to forgive. Heal others as Physicians of the Lord. Heal yourself. Atonement is the natural profession of the Children of God. Do not try to help until you are strong, but be assured that you are given both strength and help. The Everlasting Arms are your strength, and the Wisdom of God is your help.

28. Miracles are a way of earning release from fear. Revelation is a state in which fear has already been abolished. Miracles are thus a means, and revelation is an end. Miracles do not depend on revelation; they induce it.

29. Miracles praise God. They praise by honoring God's Creations, affirming their perfection. They heal because they deny body-identification and affirm Soul-identification. By perceiving the Spirit, they adjust the levels of reality and see them in proper alignment. This correctly identifies the Spirit as the source, and Souls can communicate directly.

30. Miracles should inspire gratitude, not awe. You should thank God for what you really are. The Children of God are very holy, and the miracle honors their holiness.

God's Creations never lose their holiness, although it can be unseen. The miracle uncovers it, and brings it into the light where it belongs. Holiness can never be really hidden in darkness, but you can deceive yourself about it. This illusion makes you fearful because you know in your heart that it is an illusion, and you exert enormous efforts to establish its reality. The miracle sets reality where it belongs. Eternal reality belongs only to the Soul, and the

miracle acknowledges only the truth. It thus dispels illusions about yourself, and puts you in communion with God.

31. Christ inspires all miracles, which are really corrections. They intercede for your holiness, and make your perceptions holy. By placing you beyond the physical laws, they raise you into the sphere of celestial order. In this order, you are perfect.

The Soul never loses its communion with God. Only the mind needs Atonement. The miracle adjusts the mind into the Atonement by placing it in the service of the Spirit. This establishes the proper function of the mind, and corrects its errors.

32. Miracles honor all because all are lovable. They dispel illusions, and allowing you to perceive the light in all. They thus atone for errors by freeing you from illusions. They release you from a prison in which you have imprisoned yourself, and by freeing your mind from illusions, they restore your sanity. The mind can be possessed by illusions, but Spirit is eternally free. If a mind perceives without love it perceives an empty shell, and is unaware of the Spirit within it. Yet the Atonement restores the Spirit to its proper place, and the mind that serves the Spirit is invulnerable.

33. Miracles restore the mind to its fullness. By atoning for lack, they establish perfect protection. The strength of the Soul leaves no room for intrusions. The forgiven are filled with the Soul, and they forgive in return. It is the duty of the released to release in turn.

The forgiven are the means of Atonement. Those released by Christ must join in releasing for this is the Plan of the Atonement. Miracles are the way in which minds which serve the Spirit unite with Christ for the salvation, or release, of all God's Creations.

34. Miracles are expressions of love, but it does not follow that they will always have observable effects. Christ is the only one who can perform miracles indiscriminately because Christ is the Atonement. You will seem to have a role in the Atonement, which will be dictated to you. Ask which miracles you should perform.

This spares you exhaustion because you will act under direct communication.

35. Miracles are examples of right thinking. Reality contact at all levels becomes strong and accurate. As a result, all aspects of the doer's perceptions are aligned with truth.

36. A miracle is a correction factor introduced into false thinking by the Holy Spirit. It acts as a catalyst, shaking up erroneous perception, and reorganizing it properly. This places You under the Atonement principle, where perception is healed. Until this has occurred, revelation of the Divine order is impossible.

37. The Spiritual eye is the mechanism of miracles because what it perceives is true. It perceives both the Creations of God and the mind's miscreations. Among the miscreations, it can also separate the true from the false by its ability to perceive totally, rather than selectively. It thus becomes the proper instrument for reality testing, which always involves distinguishing between the false and the true.

38. The miracle dissolves error because the Spiritual eye identifies error as false and unreal. This is the same as saying that by perceiving light, darkness automatically disappears. Just as darkness is simply lack of light, sin is simply lack of love. It has no unique properties of its own. The belief of sin as real in its own right is a result of the belief in scarcity, a fallacy from which only error can proceed.

39. The miracle acknowledges the Creations of God as equals. It is a way of perceiving the universal mark of God in them. The specialness of God's does not stem from exclusion, but from inclusion. All are equal. If they believe they are deprived of anything, their perception becomes distorted. When this occurs, the whole host of God is impaired in its relationships. Ultimately, every Creation of God must return. The miracle calls each to return because it blesses and honors them even if temporarily blind to spirit.

40. A major contribution of miracles is their strength in releasing you from your misplaced sense of isolation, deprivation, and lack. Miracles are affirmations of Wholeness, which is a state of completion and abundance. Whatever is true and real is eternal, and cannot change or be changed. The Soul is therefore unalterable because it is already perfect, but the mind can elect the level of reality it chooses to serve. It is limited only in that it cannot serve two masters.

Any sense of lack can be rectified when the mind becomes a medium by which the Soul creates along the line of its own Creation. If you do not elect this for it, the mind retains its creative potential, but is placed under tyrannous control rather than given true creative authority. As a result, it is imprisoned because such are the dictates of tyrants. To change your mind means to give its service to true Authority. The miracle is thus a sign that the mind has chosen to be led by Christ.

The abundance of Christ is the natural result of choosing to follow Him. All shallow roots must be uprooted because they are not deep enough to sustain you. The illusion that shallow roots can be deepened, and thus made to hold, is a distortion caused by the upside-down orientation which the miracle corrects. As these false underpinnings are given up, the equilibrium may temporarily be experienced as unstable. Nevertheless, nothing is more unstable than an orientation that is upside-down. The miracle will correct all misperceptions.

41. Miracles arise from a miraculous state of mind. By being One, this state of mind goes out to anyone, potentially even without the awareness of the miracle worker. The impersonal nature of miracles is because the Atonement itself is one, uniting all creations with their Creator.

42. The miracle is an expression of an inner awareness of Christ, and the acceptance of Atonement. The mind is then in a state of grace, and naturally becomes gracious, both to the Host within and the stranger without. By bringing in the stranger, the holiness of both is recognized.

43. A miracle is never lost. It touches many people you do not even know, and sometimes produces unforeseen changes in forces of which you are not even aware. The extent of the miracle need not be your concern. The miracle will always bless you.

The miracles you are not asked to perform have not lost their value. They are still expressions of your own state of grace, but the interpersonal aspect of the miracle should be Christ-controlled because of Christ's complete awareness of the Whole Plan. The impersonal nature of miracle-mindedness ensures your grace, but only Christ is in a position to know where peace can be bestowed and truly accepted.

44. Miracle-mindedness means miracle-readiness. Readiness means that you should always keep your perceptions straight, so that you will always be ready, willing, and able. You must be ready to listen, willing to learn, and able to do.

45. Awe and worship are not appropriate responses to miracles. They are correctly applicable to revelation which an experience of unspeakable love. Awe and worship imply that one of a lesser order stands before one of a greater order. This is the case only when one stands before its Creator. The Holy Spirit is the Bringer of Revelations. Revelations are indirectly inspired by me because I am close to the Holy Spirit, and alert to Your revelation-readiness. I can thus bring down to them more than You can draw down.

The miracle, on the other hand, is a sign of love among equals. Equals cannot be in awe of one another because awe implies inequality. It is therefore an inappropriate reaction to worship the miracle worker. An elder sibling is entitled to respect for their greater experience, and a reasonable amount of obedience for their greater wisdom. Yet, there is nothing about a miracle worker which cannot be attained by any Creation of God.

The miracle worker has nothing that does not come from God. The main difference between the new and the truly advanced miracle workers is that the latter have nothing else. This leaves them in a

state of true wholeness, which begins as only a potential in those who are not yet miracle-minded. We bridge the distance to revelation as one more experienced on the one hand, and as a willing Child of God on the other. My own devotion to God's Creations has placed me in charge of the Atonement, which I can accomplish only to the extent to which I can share it.

46. The Holy Spirit is the Highest Communication Medium. Miracles do not involve this type of communication because they are temporary communication devices. When You return to the original form of communication with God, the need for miracles is over. The Holy Spirit mediates higher to lower communication, keeping the direct channel from God open for revelation. Revelation is not reciprocal. It is always from God to man. The miracle is reciprocal because it involves equality.

47. The miracle is a learning device which lessens the need for time. In the earthly plane, the recognition of the true equality of all the members of Life appears to involve almost endless time. However, the miracle's sudden shift from earthly to spiritual perception introduces an interval from which the doer and the receiver both emerge much farther along in time than they would otherwise have been.

The miracle thus has the unique property of shortening time by rendering the space of time it occupies unnecessary. There is no relationship between the time a miracle takes and the time it covers. One miracle can suffice for a learning that might have taken thousands of years. It does this by the underlying recognition of perfect equality and holiness between the doer and the receiver on which the miracle rests.

We said before that the miracle abolishes time. It does this by a process of collapsing it, and thus abolishing certain intervals within it. It does this, however, within the larger temporal sequence. It establishes an out-of-pattern time interval which is not under the usual laws of time. In this sense, it is timeless. By collapsing time, it saves time. It rearranges the distribution of light.

48. The miracle is the only device which You have at Your immediate disposal for controlling time. Revelation transcends time and is without the bounds of time at all.

49. The miracle makes no distinction among degrees of misperception. It is a device for correcting perception, and is effective regardless of the degree or the direction of the error. This is true lack of discrimination. It corrects all error equally.

Christ-controlled miracles are selective in the sense that they are directed towards those who can use them for themselves. Since this makes it inevitable that they will extend the miracles to others, a strong chain of Atonement is welded. However, Christ-control takes no account at all of the magnitude of a miracle itself. The concept of size exists in a plane that is itself unreal. Since miracles aim at restoring the awareness of true reality, it would be undue if they were bound by the laws which govern the error they aim to correct.

The power and strength of Your creative will must be understood before the real meaning of denial can be appreciated and relinquished. Denial is not mere negation; it is a positive miscreation. The perception of lack can be experienced, and must necessarily be experienced by a mind which believes it, yet denial of truth can cause no change at the level of true creation.

50. The miracle compares what You have made with the higher-level creation. The miracle accepts what is in accord with creation as true and rejects the discord as false. All aspects of fear are untrue because they do not exist at the higher creative level, and therefore do not exist at all. Perceptions are corrected to the extent beliefs are submitted to this test.

In sorting out the false from the true, the miracle proceeds along the following lines. Perfect love casts out fear. If fear exists, then there is not perfect love. But only perfect love truly exists, so if there is fear, It presents a state which does not exist.

Believe this, and you will be free. Only God can establish this solution and faith in this is His gift.