



## TALK IT OVER

Desperate Theology

### BOTTOM LINE

Do you believe and follow Jesus, “The Miracle Worker” (only when you have a need?) or do you believe and follow Jesus, “The Lord and Giver of Life?”

### CONVERSATION STARTER

How did your work change during the pandemic? What was the hardest? Was there anything you liked?

### THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

### RESOURCES

- The Daily:  
newpointe.org/thedaily
- [Four-part series on miracles](#)  
by Craig Groeschel

### KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

*I have come that they may have life and have it abundantly.*  
John 10:10b ESV

*They said to the woman, “We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world.”* John 4:42 NIV

There is something about desperation that can reset everything. Absolute theology is easy to believe when things are going well and it’s someone else’s issue. It’s a different game entirely when it’s your own issue.

The purpose of Jesus’ miracles isn’t about impressing people. It isn’t even about gathering a crowd... It’s about validating the greatest miracle of all. It’s not about healing a sick person. It’s not about producing more wine. It’s proof that I (Jesus) came from a world you were meant to live in. And that world isn’t bound by death, thirst, hunger, or sadness. And I have come to bridge that gap.

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Jesus’ disciples were uncomfortable with Jesus’ love for and time spent with Samaritans, ones not fit to be Jesus’ companions. Who gets zero respect from many Christians today? How did Jesus’ response to the Samaritan woman begin a move? Desperation caused the nobleman to do some things we should be doing—it reset his theology. He didn’t care what people thought, he was relentless for Jesus to do something, and he realized deep truth about Jesus without prior proof. Where do you identify?

### ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I will allow myself to become desperate enough that I am willing to reset my \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus to move.

My Action Step: \_\_\_\_\_