“Expect a Miracle”  
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The sermon covered three questions:

1) What is a Miracle?  
2) Why a Miracle?  
3) How do I expect a Miracle?

**What is a Miracle?**

A Miracle is an extraordinary occurrence that surpasses all known human powers or natural forces and is ascribed to a divine or supernatural cause, a move of God. A miracle cannot be explained away or rationalized with common logic.

*Mark 5: 24-34 the woman with the issue of blood is healed*

The woman had an issue of blood and fought her way to Jesus to get a healing. It was her faith in Jesus that healed her because she believed and was determined to get healed. When we come to Jesus expecting and believing he will bless us with a miracle, then Jesus will reward our faith.

*Acts 4: 8-21 the impotent man was healed*

The rulers and elders of Israel could not deny a miracle was done when the impotent man was healed and they commanded Peter and John not to preach the name of Jesus. Peter and John challenged them whether it would be right to harken unto them or to God.

**Why a Miracle?**

*Luke 4:16-19 Jesus is commanded to preach the gospel, heal the sick*

Jesus reads from the book of the prophet Esaias concerning preaching the gospel, healings of the brokenhearted and deliverance. Miracles are God sized solutions for God sized situations. Miracles from God are needed because man is not powerful enough to perform the miracles himself.

*Genesis 3:14-15 enmity between man and the serpent*

The serpent is cursed above all beasts, God put enmity between his seed and woman’s seed. Satan will always do what he can to hurt man, man has many afflictions and needs the miracles of God to overcome them.
How Do I expect a Miracle?

Matthew 8:1-10 a leper and a centurion’s servant are healed

The centurion had faith that if Jesus were to only speak it, his servant would be healed and the servant was healed because of his belief. You expect a miracle by believing that it will come to pass.

2 Kings 5:1-14 Naaman is healed of his leprosy by obeying the prophet

To expect a miracle, it is important to speak, act and think like it already happened. Naaman followed out the prophet’s instruction to wash in the Jordan River seven times and therefore he was healed of leprosy.

Mark 5:35-43 the ruler’s daughter is healed

Jesus said to be not afraid, only believe. Jesus kicked fear and doubt out of the house so that only faith remained. We must also get rid of fear and doubt when expecting a miracle from God. He will honor our faith and belief in him.

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