

Faster Miracle Talking Points

First, we need to clarify some foundation truths.

Point 1) 3 steps for man to receive miracle from God: see the “Bible Miracles Explained.doc” study.

Step 1. God declares God’s will towards man (recorded in the Bible, God’s Word).

Step 2. Then man acts in agreement with God’s declared will towards man. Bible calls man acting in agreement with God’s declared will “faith.” [See the “What Jesus Means By Faith.doc” study.]

Step 3. God then implements on earth God’s declared will that man acted in agreement with. (God’s power does the work, Acts 10:38, Mark 5:27-30, 34.) [Read the other studies in this set to see how lower-level factors are involved.]

Point 2A) “Faith,” as used in the Bible, is acting in agreement with God’s will towards man (as declared in the Bible): see the “What Jesus Means By Faith.doc” study. “Faith” in the Bible does not mean “believe.”

Point 2B) “Faith,” as used in the Bible, does not involve ask/request. The Strong word G154 is often incorrectly translated as “ask” when it should have been translated as “call for.” “Faith” is “calling for” something that is already pre-authorized by God. See the “G154 To Call For.doc” study. The word “desire” in Mark 11:24 is actually G154 (to call for) [to call for something that has already been declared as God’s will toward man. See the “Bible Miracles Explained” study].

The main message of the New Testament, regarding manifesting miracles, is (1) John 14:12/1 John 3:8/John 10:10 and (2) Mark 1:14-15. These 2 points are two sides of the same coin. They dovetail together. They are the same message from different viewpoints. Just about everything in the New Testament can be mapped/traced to these two messages.

The body of Christ is to destroy the works of the devil

1 John 3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might **destroy the works of the devil.**

John 14:12 Verily (**truly**), verily (**truly**), I say unto you, **He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do;** because I go unto my Father.

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask (call for, G154) in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask (call for, G154) any thing in my name, I will do it.

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

1 John 3:8 and John 14:12 (above) together show that the body of Christ is to do the work that Jesus did: to destroy the devils' work (John 10:10 above). This is God's declared will. From the study "Bible Miracles Explained," we know that once we know God's will, then we can act in agreement with God's will, and then God will implement God's will which we acted in agreement with or did faith on.

Also, we should take the initiative to do God's will. We see this when Moses struck the rock twice to release water abundantly (Numbers 20:7-12). (God released water because Moses acted in agreement with Exodus 4:17, even though Moses/Aaron doubted God and were judged for doubting.) We see this again when Moses was cornered at the Red Sea and God asked Moses why did Moses come to God? (Exodus 14:15) God told Moses to just raise the rod (Exodus 14:16) as God had already said in Exodus 4:17. Moses had authority to raise the rod, anytime, anywhere, to initiate miracles to take the Israelites to the Promised Land (God's will as declared at the burning bush). Also, God was fine with Aaron and Hur helping Moses to keep that rod raised (Exodus 17:12-13). [Intercessors' faith action works also.]

John 14:12 is the main message/command in the New Testament. (It also has two "truly.") What we call the "Great Commission" is actually subordinate to John 14:12/1 John 3:8/John 10:10. Proof is Jesus sending the twelve, in Luke 9, and Jesus sending the 70s, in Luke 10, and then sending the body of Christ (Great Commission) to do John 14:12/1 John 3:8/John 10:10.

John 14:12/1 John 3:8/John 10:10 also dovetails with Jesus/the twelve/the 70 preaching/doing the gospel of the kingdom of God (on earth). [See below and also the study "Gospel of the Kingdom of God.doc".]

Jesus preached the gospel (good news) that the kingdom of God is near

Mark 1:14 Now after that John was put in prison, **Jesus** came into Galilee, **preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,**

15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the **kingdom of God is at hand**: repent (*change*) ye, and believe the gospel.

Jesus started his ministry by telling everyone the good news (gospel) that because the time is fulfilled, the kingdom of God is near! Jesus further said that people (Jesus directly addressed the Old Testament Israelites) should change from the Old Testament doctrine and believe this good news. We see here and later in this study that Jesus preached this gospel everywhere, as did the disciples, and the church (body of Christ).

“The time is fulfilled” (in Mark 1:15 above) because Jesus, the Messiah (the anointed), has come to fulfill the law. This is reinforced in Matthew 5:17-18 (below). Mark 1:15 continues that we are to believe this gospel (good news) that: “The kingdom of God is at hand.”

Matthew 5:17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Jesus is telling the Old Testament Israelites that the law is fulfilled and they should believe the gospel (good news) that the kingdom of God is at hand (is near).

Luke 16:16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

Luke 16:16 (above) says that since the time of John the Baptist, the kingdom of God is preached. Since Jesus’ ministry started after Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, Jesus and his disciples must have preached the kingdom of God and that God wants everyone to “presseth into” the kingdom of God. This reinforces Mark 1:14-15 (above).

How the kingdom of God comes upon a person (upon us)

So, Jesus preached to everyone everywhere that the gospel of the kingdom of God has come near us. But near is just near. How and when does the kingdom of God and man meet? Matthew 12:28 (below) and Luke 11:20 (below) tells us how.

Matthew 12:28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

Luke 11:20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.

Jesus was very clear in Matthew 12:28 and Luke 11:20 (above) that the kingdom of God comes upon us when Jesus (or man), by the Spirit of God (Acts 10:38, Matthew 3:16), casts out devils (or devil’s work). Comparing these two verses shows that the finger of God is the Spirit of God.

[The Kingdom of God was preached everywhere by Jesus and the disciples.]

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Luke 9:1 Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.

2 And he sent them to **preach the kingdom of God**, and to heal the sick.

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6 And they departed, and went through the towns, **preaching the gospel**, and healing everywhere.

Luke 9:1-6 (above) shows again that this gospel of the kingdom of God was preached everywhere during Jesus’ ministry. Jesus told the twelve disciples to tell everyone everywhere this good news. Jesus also gave them power and authority over all devils and to heal the sick.

Luke 9:1-6 (above) shows that Jesus wanted the twelve to do the same work Jesus did (do John 14:12 using the authority of Jesus’ name and the Spirit of God and power). Since power (and Spirit of God) is moved by man’s faith action in agreement with God’s will, it is man’s faith action that manifests the kingdom of God on earth. [See the “woman with the issue of blood” episode in Mark 5:27-34 exposition (below) to see this.]

[Even a stranger can manifest the Kingdom of God on earth by using the name of Jesus.]

Luke 9:49 And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbid him, because he followeth not with us.

50 And Jesus said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us.

Luke 9:49-50 (above) show that even a stranger can use Jesus’ name (Luke 10:17-19) to cause the kingdom of God to come upon man on earth (according to Matthew 12:28, Luke 11:20, Mark 5:30 in 5:25-34, Acts 10:38). This must be God’s will, for Jesus is fine with this (Luke 9:50 above).

Luke 10:1 After these things the LORD appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.

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9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The **kingdom of God is come nigh** (*near*) **unto you**.

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17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us **through thy name**.

18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

19 Behold, **I give unto you** power (*authority*) to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Luke 10:1-19 (above) reinforce what Mark 1:14-15 (above) and Luke 9:1-6 (above) say: Jesus told everyone that the gospel of the kingdom of God is near us/upon us when we use the authority in the name of Jesus and the power of the Spirit of God to cast out devil and heal the sick. Furthermore, Luke 9:1-6, Luke 10:1-19, Mark 1:14-15 agree with 1 John 3:8 and John 14:12.

As in Luke 9:1, Jesus gave the seventy authority (Luke 10:19, Luke 10:17) to preach the gospel of the kingdom of God (Mark 1:14-15, Luke 10:9) and heal the sick. The seventy, like Jesus did in Matthew 12:28 and Luke 11:29, brought the kingdom of God upon people by casting out devils (Luke 10:17, 10:19).

The seventy did John 14:12, using the authority of Jesus' name, just like the stranger did.

Example of John 14:12: in the episode of Matthew 14:13-21, Jesus fed the 5,000 men by multiplying the food. This shows God's will of supplying our needs. However, before Jesus fed the people, Jesus told the disciples to feed them: ". . . They need not depart; **give ye them to eat**," Matthew 14:16. Jesus expected the disciples to do the same as Jesus did.

Another example of John 14:12: in the episode of Mark 4:35-41, Jesus did faith action to calm the storm: "he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still . . . ," Mark 4:39. However, later in Mark 4:40, Jesus said, ". . . how is it that **ye have no faith**?" From the "Bible Miracles Explained" and "What Jesus Means by Faith" studies, we know that faith action in agreement with God's will brings miracles on earth of God's will that we acted in agreement with. Jesus did the faith action, "Peace, be still" to calm the storm. Then, Jesus asked them where was their faith action to manifest God's will of protection for them, by having the disciples calming the storm? Jesus expected them to do John 14:12.

Another example of John 14:12: in the episode of Acts 3:1-8 and Acts 3:16, Peter's faith statement in Acts 3:6 healed the lame man. Peter did as Jesus did.

The body of Christ is to manifest the kingdom of God using Jesus' name and the Spirit of God/power.

Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Ghost** and with **power**: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until **ye be endued** (clothed) **with power** from on high.

Matthew 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: **he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and [with] fire:**

Acts 1:8 But **ye shall receive power, after** that the **Holy Ghost is come upon you**: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Jesus gave us his authority (Jesus' name) to do John 14:12: see the Luke 8 and Luke 10 snippets above and:

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power (authority)** is given unto me in heaven and **in earth.**

19 Go ye therefore, ...

Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: **In the name of Jesus** Christ of Nazareth **rise up and walk.**

Acts 3:16 And **his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong**, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

[Man's faith (+ Jesus' name + Spirit & power) moves power to do God's will (manifest kingdom of God on earth).]

Mark 5:27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue (power) had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?

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34 And he said unto her, Daughter, thy **faith** hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.

Man's faith moves power to do God's will. This episode also shows clearly " . . . according to your faith be it unto you," Matthew 9:29.

[Consider the following (and Mark 5:27-34, above) to do God's will: (such as Joshua stops the sun, Elijah calls down fire, Moses raises his rod to drown the Egyptian army which was about to undo God's will)]

Zachariah 4:6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

Zachariah 4:6 (above) says to use man's faith action to move power to do God's will.

Believe we receive what we called for that is in God's will for us.

John 16:23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask (call for, G154) the Father in my name, he will give it you.

24 Hitherto have ye asked (call for, G154) nothing in my name: ask (call for, G154), and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

Mark 11:22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in (of) God.

23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire (call for, G154), when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

So, why believe we receive? It is all about respect for God's Word: Know God's Word, believe God's Word, Keep God's Word in our heart, and act (do Mark 11:23-24) in agreement with God's Word. [See the "Prayer Authority.doc" study for a discussion of why we believe we receive.]

Matthew 9:29 (below) is very important. It says that what we get from God is strictly dependent on our "faith." In other words, our specific faith statement dictates what we receive from God.

Matthew 9:29 . . . According to your faith be it unto you

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith

[See the “Fight the Good Fight of Faith.doc” study.]

How to manifest miracles faster

Peter Walks on Water

Matthew 14:24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.

26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.

27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O **thou of little faith**, wherefore didst thou doubt?

[See the “Little Faith Great Faith.doc” study.]

No faith brings no miracle. Little faith brings little miracle. Great (strong) faith brings miracle faster. Be like Jesus and not like Peter here. Be like Stephen. Make your faith strong. [See the “Fight the Good Fight of Faith.doc” study.]

More faith works better.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.

Near the end of Hagin’s Healing Scriptures book & tape. [Hagin said the sick should say, quietly, healing verses apply to oneself over and over and over again.]

Proverbs 4:20-22.

Battle of Jericho.

Jesus did faith and continue to do faith: Mark 8:22-25.

Hagin taught asking the Spirit of God to give utterance to pray about something. My experience in doing do for many hours and days (1 Thessalonians 5:17). [See the "What If It Does Not Work.doc" study.]

What I do the most is to ask the Holy Ghost to give me the right words to pray that my body [specify body part] be healed as God wants my body to be healed, for the Holy Ghost is my helper according to God's Word. Then I pray in tongue, trusting the Holy Ghost to give me the right words to pray for me to be healed. The key is to pray in tongue like this for a long, long time. I say like this: "Holy Ghost, According to the Bible, you are my helper and comforter. Romans 8:26-27 says that you know my body's situation, you know the right words to pray for my [body part] to be healed. So, I thank you that you now give me the right words to pray to make my [body part] to be made whole as God wants my [body part] to be made whole. Thank you for your help. [Now start to pray in tongue and keep on praying in tongue as long as possible]. I find that I can do this (pray in tongue for healing) while I do simple chores. I pray in tongue for healing when I drive to/from work, to/from shopping, while I shop, while I watch a movie, while I watch a game, while I walk for exercise, while I wash dishes, while I vacuum, while I wait at a checkout line. Repeat this when you can.

I got my bad left knee and bad right shoulder rebuilt using Mark 11:23 and 1 Thessalonians 5:17 over a few months (right shoulder) and 1.5 years (left knee). After 1.5 years, I did Mark 11:23 for the left knee to be made whole 24/7 for two weeks. Then I could jog again. And then play basketball on the blacktop, adding more Mark 11:23s when needed, when the knee got sore.

By doing Mark 11:23 and mostly asking the Holy Spirit to give me the words to pray for my mom to be made whole, my mom's brain was rebuilt after her aneurysm stroke (3 hours/day for 2 months). [See the "momStroke.doc" study.] My dad to grow a baby lung (praying during my 2-hour commute every day, tooth root, bone anchor, gum to grow back (praying 3 hours/day, for 3 months), etc. [Basically, keep on doing faith until miracle manifests. Get more faith by getting others to do faith also. Just like those Christians did in Acts 12:3-12.]

Moses lowered his rod & Amalek Prevailed (intercessors' faith works also)

Exodus 17:8 Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

9 And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand.

10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

12 But Moses hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

Earlier, in Exodus 4:17, 4:21; 7:20; 8:6; 8:17; 9:23; 9:33; 14:21, God told Moses and Aaron that they would do miracles with the rod God gave them to get to the Promised Land. And they did. Exodus 4:17 states God's will. God's power works according to our faith action. God's power does not work for us when we stop doing faith action. This agrees with the "Peter walks on water" example above.

Note that these Israelites were losing to Amalek when God's power was not helping them. Since they were fighting a battle, the Israelites would have continued to lose and ultimately been destroyed. Good thing Aaron and Hur propped up the rod and continued to hold up the rod until sundown. And because they acted in agreement with God's will (as expressed in Exodus 4:17) until sundown, God's power continued to aid the Israelites until sundown. This is a good example of "according to your faith be it unto you" in Matthew 9:29, because God's power persisted in helping the Israelites due to their persistent faith.

Add intercessors' faith

Acts 12:5-12 Vs. Acts 12:1-2. Many people prayed for Peter (Acts 12:12). I figure that they started praying for Peter around 6 pm when the word got out. If Peter was able to fall asleep, I figure that Peter got to Mary's house at midnight and many were still praying. So, I figure that maybe more than 6 people prayed from 6 pm to midnight. That would be about 36 man-hours.

In Acts 12:1-2, no one prayed for James to be released. No faith, no miracle. Angel did not come for James. This is just like when they were on the lake in the storm and Jesus said, "where is your faith?"

Intercessor's faith action works. Intercessor anoints with oil first and then God anoints.

Samuel (man) first anoints Saul with oil (does faith action first), then God anoints Saul with the Spirit of God

1 Samuel 10:1 Then **Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon his head,** and kissed him, and said, Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee to be captain over his inheritance?

1 Samuel 10:9 And it was so, that when he had turned his back to go from Samuel, God gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day. 10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the **Spirit of God came upon him**, and he prophesied among them.

1 Samuel 11:6 And the **Spirit of God came upon Saul** when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

Samuel first anoints (covers) David in oil (does faith action first), God then anoints (covers) David with God's Spirit (and power). [Intercessor's faith action works.]

1 Samuel 16:13 Then **Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him** in the midst of his brethren: and the **Spirit of the LORD came upon David** from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

John the Baptist first baptized Jesus in water (does faith action), God then baptized Jesus with the Spirit of God.

Abraham first sacrificed his son (does faith action), and then God sacrificed Jesus

We are to baptize others too. Presumably, God then baptizes these "others" with the Spirit of God and power.

Jesus to Paul: my grace is sufficient for you

2 Corinthians 12:7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 Corinthians 12:7 (above) says that the demons (messengers of Satan) "buffet" (strike with the fist, treat with violence) Paul as Paul spread the gospel. Paul asked Jesus to remove this problem, but Jesus did not remove the demons. Instead, Jesus said that what Jesus gave Paul was sufficient for Paul. Jesus did not do the work, but rather, Jesus gave Paul (and the body of Christ) Jesus' name (Jesus' authority) and the Spirit of God and power (Acts 10:38, Acts 1:8) to get rid of the demons and their work (Luke 10:17-19, 1 John 3:8, John 14:12, John 10:10). "power of Christ may rest

upon me" in verse 9 (above) means the Spirit of God (and power) that is poured out on Paul and the body of Christ (Acts 10:38, Matthew 3:11, Acts 2:38, Acts 1:8, Luke 24:49). Power is moved by man's faith (Mark 5:27-30, 5:34).

Factoring in Luke 10:17-19 and all the verses above, what Jesus gave Paul and what Jesus gave to the body of Christ are more than sufficient (to do John 14:12/1 John 3:8/John 10:10) because Satan, the demons, and their work are always subject to the body of Christ through the name of Jesus. Man's "faith" moves **power** to do God's will. We are to do the work.

2 Corinthians 12:7-9 (above) is also a clear example of ". . . according to your faith be it unto you," Matthew 9:29.

Do not stop/pause doing faith (1 Thessalonians 5:17+Mark 11:23-24).

Do not do like Moses lowered the rod - God's power stopped helping. When my mom was recovering from her aneurysm stroke, I took a day off from praying for her recovery. Within 24 hours, Mom then had a violent seizure and had to have a pace maker installed. These are also examples of ". . . according to your faith be it unto you," Matthew 9:29: no faith, no progress. ("No faith" here means when Moses stopped acting in agreement with Exodus 4:17 and when I stopped doing faith for my mom that day.)

A similar example is Peter walking on water. When Peter got fearful, power was immediately reduced for Peter "began to sink." Peter still had a miracle, just a lesser miracle. Jesus said that Peter's lesser miracle was due to Peter's fear-induced "little faith." This shows "according to your faith be it unto you" of Matthew 9:29.

Another example is comparing Peter in Acts 12:3-12 with James in Acts 12:1-2. Many were still praying (presumably praying Mark 11:24) for Peter deep into the night. They were doing 1 Thessalonians 5:17. They continued to do faith. Each intercessor was piling up "faith." Many intercessors were piling up a lot of "faith." They were doing what Jesus did in Mark 8:22-25. Jesus did not stop doing faith. It's just that Jesus' faith was a lot stronger than most people's faith. [See Peter walking on water.] We should keep on doing faith and strive to make our faith stronger. [See Romans 10:17 and the "Fight the Good Fight of Faith.doc" study.]

If necessary, go get more faith from others, like these Christians praying long duration for Peter (Acts 12:3-12).

Also, pray early and pray much before a deadline or crisis. Faith accumulates.

So, how do we get great faith?

See Romans 10:17, Joshua 1:8, and Proverbs 4:20-22. God wants good things for us. These Bible studies are designed to help you do these verses efficiently. Read and think on God's Word.

Another is to do 1 Thessalonians 5:17 with the prayer of faith (Mark 11:24). See Jesus in Mark 8:22-25. Paul did this in Ephesians 1:16 and Colossians 1:9.

One ingredient is to pray in tongues a lot. Paul did this (1 Corinthians 14:18).

See the "Fight Good Fight of Faith" and "Gospel of Kingdom of God" studies. Note the "sower sows the Word" portion of the "Gospel of Kingdom of God" study. Romans 10:17 is sowing God's Word into our heart. Keep on doing Romans 10:17 regularly grows the seed to a big tree (strong "faith" actions). More "faith" actions, especially strong "faith" actions, bring stronger Power to manifest the miracle. [See the Peter Walking on Water example.]

See the "Prayer Authority.doc" study. This set of Bible studies is designed to help the reader to develop stronger faith quickly, without first wading through the entire Bible. Check these studies against the Bible and then read and think on these studies over and over again. I estimate reading these studies averaging half to one hour per day for one year. Then smaller miracles should come regularly as the reader do faith continuously and fight the good fight of faith.

Of course, we want to have faith like Jesus' and Stephen's faith. Continue to study and meditate God's Word. Make your "faith" stronger.

Always remember John 14:12. God expects great feats from us. It can be done or God would not have told us. Jesus has given us Jesus' name (all authority on earth) and the Spirit of God and power. We are to do faith and win. Covering before the devil would shame Jesus.

Do faith all day long. Do faith to receive God's promises of our needs met, protection, good health, blessings and do faith to rebuke the devil and his work are pleasing to God. Ignoring God's Word is not pleasing to God. Pay attention to: Romans 1:16-17 ". . . . the just shall live by faith," 2 Corinthians 5:7 "For we walk by faith," and Matthew 6:33 "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." ["these things shall be added unto you" refers to things on earth to meet our needs.] Do faith to manifest the kingdom of God and God's promises toward man.

Practice faith. Start targeting small miracles and work towards bigger miracles. I learned this from Fred Price's tape and Terry Mize's DVD.