

The Big Picture

When thinking of manifesting miracles, a brief review of the Bible big picture (of manifesting miracles only) will help.

We shall do the work Jesus did: destroy devils' work

Many Christians are oblivious of Satan's work. They attribute Satan's work to God and thus are helpless when attacked by devils. For example, they don't know that the Bible attributes sickness and infirmity to Satan, and we are to destroy sickness and infirmity and heal people. In Daniel 10:13, the devil obstructed God's angel for 21 days.

Many Christians don't know that Jesus wants the church to "destroy" Satan's work. Jesus said in John 14:12 (below) that the body of Christ (the church) shall do the work that Jesus did, because Jesus went unto his Father. Jesus' work shall carry on. Jesus asked to do this.

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.

John 14:12 (above) says that because Jesus was going to Father God, the body of Christ is to do the work that Jesus did, even greater works than Jesus did. Jesus emphasized this with a "verily" (truly) and then a second "verily." Jesus really means this.

So, what work did Jesus do?

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.**

1 John 3:8 (above) says that Jesus was sent to destroy the works of the devil. Adding this verse to John 14:12 above, Jesus wants us to "destroy" devils' work. So, what is devils' work that we are to "destroy?"

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.

John 10:10 (above) says the devil "steal," "kill," and "destroy." Adding John 10:10 to 1 John 3:8 and John 14:12 above results in Jesus commanding us to "destroy" stealing, killing, and destroying.

Jesus manifested God's will on earth. Therefore, we are also to manifest God's will on earth. Below are two examples of Jesus telling the disciples to manifest God's will.

In Mark 4:39-40 (below), Jesus did Philippians 4:19 (God's will of to supply our need of protection) by doing faith (exercising authority to do God's will by saying "Peace, be still"). In verse 40, Jesus

says, "Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?" Verse 40 implies that Jesus expected them to do John 14:12 for themselves, by doing "faith" action, like Jesus did.

Mark 4:39 And **he** arose, and rebuked the wind, and **said** unto the sea, **Peace, be still**. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?

Another example is below:

Matthew 14:15 And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals (*food*).

16 But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; **give ye them to eat**.

Matthew 14:15-16 is one of the multiply food miracles. They were in the wilderness and the disciples told Jesus that the people were hungry. Jesus told the disciples to give food to the crowd: "give ye (you) them to eat." The disciples replied that there was no food store nearby and they only have a few fishes and few loaves of bread to feed the crowd. So, Jesus proceeded to multiple the food they did have. The point is that Jesus told the disciple to feed the crowd (God's will as spoken by Jesus), presumably, by multiplying the food they had like Jesus did. Which is John 14:12.

There are many other John 14:12 examples in the "Gospel of the Kingdom of God" and "The Work We do" studies. Some are: (1) Jesus sent the 12 to do John 14:12, (2) Jesus sent the 70 to do John 14:12, (3) Jesus sent the body of Christ to do John 14:12. See the Bible and see the two studies cited above for confirmation.

How can we do John 14:12?

Jesus did miraculous work. How can we follow Jesus' footsteps and do John 14:12? Actually, we are equipped identically as God equipped Jesus (Spirit of God and power and all authority on earth) to manifest God's will on earth: see the "Jesus Church Parallels," "The Work We Do," and "Gospel of the Kingdom of God" studies. This is the main point of this study. To save space, I'll just refer the reader to the Bible, and these three studies. We are well equipped to do John 14:12. Keep this in our heart will help us to manifest miracles faster.

Are we unfairly picking on the devil?

At the beginning of the Bible, in Genesis 3:15 (shown below), God already speaks of this fight between the body of Christ and the devil.

Genesis 3:15 And I will put **enmity** between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it (body of Christ) shall bruise thy head, and thou (serpent) shalt bruise his heel.

God said there will be a fight between the serpent and the body of Christ, and the body of Christ will win. How? God gave us a much bigger hammer than Satan's. See 1 John 4:4 below:

1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Jesus also gave us Jesus' authority (All authority on earth) to do John 14:12 (Philippians 2:9-10).

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, ...

Matthew 28:18-19 (above) says we are to use Jesus' authority (that is in Jesus' name) to do John 14:12. How do we know this? See Luke 10:17-20 (below) and Mark 9:38 (below). Even a stranger can use Jesus' name to do John 14:12. Of course, the stranger and we have to believe what God said in these verses to be effective in doing John 14:12.

Luke 10:17 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.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

Mark 9:38 And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw **one casting out devils in thy name,** and **he followeth not us:** and we forbid him, because he followeth not us.

All presented thus far is to show the reader that Jesus has given us the supernatural tools to do the work Jesus did and to destroy devils' work. It is up to us to build up our "faith." See the "Fight the Good Fight of Faith" and "Little Faith, Great Faith" studies.

Also, when we say "in the name of Jesus," we are to remember that Jesus wants us to be Jesus' representative to use Jesus' authority to do John 14:12. That is, we are to "destroy" devils' works and to manifest the kingdom of God on earth. [See the "Gospel of the Kingdom of God" study.]

Destroy persecution (recall “destroy the works of the devil” in 1 John 3:8/John 14:12)

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.

Many Christians are concerned about persecution and the Anti-Christ. (Anti-Christ means one who opposes Jesus and the body of Christ.) In 2 Corinthians 12:7-9 (above), Paul was plagued by devils (“messenger of Satan to buffet me.”) Many Christians are taught that miracles are not for our time and Paul just has to endure this “thorn in the flesh.”

I think 2 Corinthians 12:7-9 (above) is one of the most powerful passage and witness in the Bible. The “thorn in the flesh” are “messenger of Satan” and not from God. This passage is a powerful witness because Jesus said that Jesus’ grace of the Spirit of God and power and Jesus’ authority are sufficient for Paul and Christians to defeat Satan’s persecution. This is a wonderful big picture. We just have to persistently make our “Bible faith” stronger. See the “Fight the Good Fight of Faith” and “Not Perish” studies.

Are there other Bible passages that agree with my victorious interpretation? Yes, and they are below.

Mark 11:23 For verily (*truly*) 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.

Mark 11:23 (above) says that our “faith” action in agreement with God’s declared will for us is so powerful that it can move mountain to the sea.

1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

1 John 4:4 (above) says that the Spirit of God and power in us is more powerful than Satan. We just have to persistently grow our “faith” stronger. See the “Fight the Good Fight of Faith” and “Not Perish” studies.

Luke 10:19 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 10:19 (above) says that Jesus has given us the authority to stomp (“to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy”) on Satan and Satan’s attacks

and that we will not be hurt. Jesus expects us to win and not take damage. So, grow our “faith” stronger.

See more in the “Jesus Church parallels” and “Prayer Authority” studies.

John 15:7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask (*call for, G154*) what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

Our job is to do Romans 10:17, do the “my words abide in you” of John 15:7 (above), and then do 1 John 3:8 and John 14:12.

Disclaimer:

This is not a tutorial. Only the key Bible verses are listed. You may need to look up the context, the surrounding verses, to get the full message/meaning. The verses here are in the King James translation. Here is a popular Internet Bible with many translations and languages: www.biblegateway.com . You may find translations such as NIV and AMP easier to understand. The Bible verses are in Courier New 11 font, and the clarifications that I inserted into a Bible verse are inside parentheses in italics. If you want more precise translation, go to www.blueletterbible.org, choose the King James Version (KJV), input the book and chapter, and turn on the Strong word option. The returned web page will show Bible verses as well as each word’s Strong number, its meaning, and cross references.

Also, using the name of Jesus to receive healing does not mean refusing medical care. You should receive medical care because God wants you healthy. But you should also use Jesus’ name to pray the prayer of faith to receive healing from God.

Lastly, these Bible studies do not address other Bible issues. Other issues are well addressed by other Christian sources. These studies only focus on how to receive miracles faster.
