

HOW TO START A REVOLUTION

Miracles Matter

Acts 9:32-43

.. **don't allow the world to squeeze you into its mold** . . .

Romans 12:2 The Message

For the revolution to happen Christians must embrace the miracle activity of God.

A miracle is an event which is not producible by the natural causes that are operative at the time and place that the event occurs.

Dr. William Lane Craig, [The Case for Faith](#) p 84

We shouldn't be too hard on people who have trouble believing in miracles because, let's face it, miracles are hard to believe in and they should be hard to believe in.

When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

Matthew 28:17 NIV

WHY WE BELIEVE MIRACLES HAPPEN

1. MIRACLES ARE CONSISTENTLY FOUND THROUGHOUT THE BIBLE

The biblical miracles consistently reveal them as being instantaneous, complete, visible, and dramatic.

2. MIRACLES ARE TO BE EXPECTED IF THERE IS A GOD

If there were no miracles one would question whether it makes sense that there is a God?

Jesus' miracles are not just proofs that he has power but also wonderful foretastes of what he is going to do with that power.

3. THE EVIDENCE FOR MIRACLES IS SIGNIFICANT.

4. MOST MAJOR RELIGIONS BELIEVE MIRACLES HAPPEN.

5. SCIENCE IS NOT CAPABLE OF REFUTING MIRACLES.

It is one thing to say that science is only equipped to test for natural causes and cannot speak to others. It is quite another to insist that science proves that no other causes could possibly exist. – Timothy Keller

6. SOMETIMES THE EVIDENCE NEEDED TO DENY A MIRACLE IS GREATER THAN THE EVIDENCE FOR IT.

"[N]o testimony is sufficient to establish a miracle, unless the miracle be of such a kind, that its falsehood be more miraculous, than the fact, which it endeavors to establish."

David Hume, Of Miracles

7. THE MIRACLE OF CREATION ITSELF SHOULD TELL US THAT MIRACLES ARE REAL

"Is not the universe itself a miracle, yet visible and of God's making? Nay, all the miracles done in this world are less than the world itself, the heaven and earth and all therein; yet God made them all, and after a manner that man cannot conceive or comprehend."

St Augustine

8. CHRISTIANITY ONLY EXISTS BECAUSE OF A MIRACLE

And if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins.

1 Corinthians 15:16-17 NLT

9. PERSONAL STORIES

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NLT – New Living Translation