

## God of Wonders

Acts 3:9-10

<sup>9</sup>When all the people saw him walking and praising God, <sup>10</sup>they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Acts 2:22

"Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know.

Acts 2:43

Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

Mark 9:15

As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

Psalms 89:5-8

<sup>5</sup>The heavens praise your wonders, Lord, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones. <sup>6</sup>For who in the skies above can compare with the Lord? Who is like the Lord among the heavenly beings? <sup>7</sup>In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared; he is more awesome than all who surround him. <sup>8</sup>Who is like you, Lord God Almighty? You, Lord, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

Exodus 15:11

Who among the gods is like you, Lord? Who is like you—majestic in holiness, awesome in glory, working wonders?

### God's Promise of Wonders

Exodus 34:10

Then the Lord said: "I am making a covenant with you. Before all your people I will do wonders never before done in any nation in all the world. The people you live among will see how awesome is the work that I, the Lord, will do for you.

Jeremiah 32:20

You performed signs and wonders in Egypt and have continued them to this day, in Israel and among all mankind, and have gained the renown that is still yours.

### Darkness as a Backdrop for Multiplied Wonders

Exodus 11:9

The Lord had said to Moses, "Pharaoh will refuse to listen to you—so that my wonders may be multiplied in Egypt."

John 9:1-3

<sup>1</sup>As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup>His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup>"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.

### Personal Experience of Wonders

Deuteronomy 4:34

Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

Deuteronomy 6:22

Before our eyes the Lord sent signs and wonders—great and terrible—on Egypt and Pharaoh and his whole household.

Deuteronomy 10:21

He is the one you praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.

Deuteronomy 7:19

You saw with your own eyes the great trials, the signs and wonders, the mighty hand and outstretched arm, with which the Lord your God brought you out. The Lord your God will do the same to all the peoples you now fear.

### **The Past as Evidence for Present Expectation**

Judges 6:13

“Pardon me, my lord,” Gideon replied, “but if the Lord is with us, why has all this happened to us? Where are all his wonders that our ancestors told us about when they said, ‘Did not the Lord bring us up out of Egypt?’ But now the Lord has abandoned us and given us into the hand of Midian.”

Habakkuk 3:2

Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord. Repeat (renew) them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.

### **Forgetting and Despising His Wonders**

Psalms 78:10-32

<sup>10</sup> they did not keep God’s covenant and refused to live by his law. <sup>11</sup> They forgot what he had done, the wonders he had shown them. <sup>12</sup> He did miracles in the sight of their ancestors in the land of Egypt, in the region of Zoan. <sup>13</sup> He divided the sea and led them through; he made the water stand up like a wall. <sup>14</sup> He guided them with the cloud by day and with light from the fire all night. <sup>15</sup> He split the rocks in the wilderness and gave them water as abundant as the seas; <sup>16</sup> he brought streams out of a rocky crag and made water flow down like rivers. <sup>17</sup> But they continued to sin against him, rebelling in the wilderness against the Most High. <sup>18</sup> They willfully put God to the test by demanding the food they craved. <sup>19</sup> They spoke against God; they said, “Can God really spread a table in the wilderness? <sup>20</sup> True, he struck the rock, and water gushed out, streams flowed abundantly, but can he also give us bread? Can he supply meat for his people?” <sup>21</sup> When the Lord heard them, he was furious; his fire broke out against Jacob, and his wrath rose against Israel, <sup>22</sup> for they did not believe in God or trust in his deliverance. <sup>23</sup> Yet he gave a command to the skies above and opened the doors of the heavens; <sup>24</sup> he rained down manna for the people to eat, he gave them the grain of heaven. <sup>25</sup> Human beings ate the bread of angels; he sent them all the food they could eat. <sup>26</sup> He let loose the east wind from the heavens and by his power made the south wind blow. <sup>27</sup> He rained meat down on them like dust, birds like sand on the seashore. <sup>28</sup> He made them come down inside their camp, all around their tents. <sup>29</sup> They ate till they were gorged—he had given them what they craved. <sup>30</sup> But before they turned from what they craved, even while the food was still in their mouths, <sup>31</sup> God’s anger rose against them; he put to death the sturdiest among them, cutting down the young men of Israel. <sup>32</sup> In spite of all this, they kept on sinning; in spite of his wonders, they did not believe.

### **Remembering and Declaring his Wonders**

1 Chronicles 16:9,12

<sup>9</sup> Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.... <sup>12</sup> Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,

Psalms 78:4

We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done.

Psalm 111:2-4

<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. <sup>3</sup>Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever. <sup>4</sup>He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and compassionate.

### **Too Many to Count**

Job 5:9; 9:10

He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted.

Psalm 40:5

Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us. None can compare with you; were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

John 21:25

Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.

Psalm 65:8

The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy.

### **How God Heats Up Cold Hearts and Revives Dead Religion**

Isaiah 29:13-14

<sup>13</sup>The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is based on merely human rules they have been taught. <sup>14</sup>Therefore once more I will astound these people with wonder upon wonder; the wisdom of the wise will perish, the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish."

2 Timothy 3:1-5

<sup>1</sup>But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. <sup>2</sup>People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup>without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, <sup>4</sup>treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— <sup>5</sup>having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

### **God's Strategy to Impact Nations**

Daniel 4:1-3

<sup>1</sup>King Nebuchadnezzar, To the nations and peoples of every language, who live in all the earth: May you prosper greatly! <sup>2</sup>It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. <sup>3</sup>How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; his dominion endures from generation to generation.

Daniel 6:25-27

<sup>25</sup>Then King Darius wrote to all the nations and peoples of every language in all the earth: "May you prosper greatly! <sup>26</sup>"I issue a decree that in every part of my kingdom people must fear and reverence the God of Daniel. "For he is the living God and he endures forever; his kingdom will not be destroyed, his dominion will never end. <sup>27</sup>He rescues and he saves; he performs signs and wonders in the heavens and on the earth. He has rescued Daniel from the power of the lions."

Micah 7:15-17

<sup>15</sup>“As in the days when you came out of Egypt, I will show them my wonders.” <sup>16</sup>Nations will see and be ashamed, deprived of all their power. They will put their hands over their mouths and their ears will become deaf. <sup>17</sup>They will lick dust like a snake, like creatures that crawl on the ground. They will come trembling out of their dens; they will turn in fear to the Lord our God and will be afraid of you.

### What We Can Expect

Joel 2:25-30

<sup>25</sup>“I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm—my great army that I sent among you. <sup>26</sup>You will have plenty to eat, until you are full, and **you will praise the name of the Lord your God, who has worked wonders for you**; never again will my people be shamed. <sup>27</sup>Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the Lord your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed. <sup>28</sup>“And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. <sup>29</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days. <sup>30</sup>I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

### The Church's Prayer

Acts 4:30

Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.

### A Gospel of Wonder

Romans 15:17-19

<sup>17</sup>Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God. <sup>18</sup>I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done— <sup>19</sup>by the power of signs and wonders, through the power of the Spirit of God. So from Jerusalem all the way around to Illyricum, I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ.

Hebrews 2:3-4

<sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. <sup>4</sup>God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Habakkuk 1:5

Look at the nations and watch— and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told.

Psalms 145:3-13

<sup>3</sup>Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. <sup>4</sup>One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. <sup>5</sup>They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works. <sup>6</sup>They tell of the power of your awesome works—and I will proclaim your great deeds. <sup>7</sup>They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness. <sup>8</sup>The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. <sup>10</sup>All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you. <sup>11</sup>They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might, <sup>12</sup>so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. <sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.