

## Luke 6:31

*And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.*

Here's something to ponder today. Did you know that Jesus never did a miracle for Himself? When Jesus was hungry, we never read of Jesus creating a fish sandwich for Himself like He did for the 5000

When Jesus was thirsty, we never read of Him striking a rock to have water come out of it.

When Jesus was tired, we don't read of Him turning a rock into a pillow.

When Jesus was on the cross and in pain, we don't read of Him healing Himself.

But how many times do we pray and look for a miracle for "Me". We even say, "*I could really use a miracle right now.*" Well if you think about it, you do have a miracle right now, and that miracle is that you are saved, despite who you were, and are right now.

Yet the bible does not teach to seek miracles for ourselves.

If you think of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, when we use them they are a miracle in themselves, and are not for us, but for others.

† **Ephesians 4:12** *for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ*

So am I saying it's wrong to ask for a miracle for yourself? No, not at all. When you read the gospels, it tells of people who came to Jesus, seeking a miracle for themselves, yet Jesus never rebuked them for that. So go ahead and ask.

But also, ask yourself this question, and answer it honestly. How much or how many times are you praying and asking for miracles for yourself, verse how many times are you seeking them for others?

Do they balance out to be the same?

Have you discovered that you seek miracles more for yourself than others?

Have you been seeking them for others more than yourself, but barely?

† **James 4:3** *You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.*

Or do you continually seek miracles for others and very rarely seek them for yourself?

† **Mark 10:45** *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.*

So maybe start praying more for others and their needs, and when you do pray for a miracle for yourself, maybe add others that need that same miracle to happen in their lives too.