

TRIALS & TRIUMPH THE MIRACLES & THE MESSAGE

Matthew 4:23-5:2

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1. Make	(v.23a)	Matthew 4:23-5:2 And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. 24 So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them. 25 And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from
2. Make	(vv.23b-24)	Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan. 1 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he opened his mouth and taught them. (ESV)
3. Sit	(vv.4:25-5:2)	

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups or email us at info@compasshillcountry.org.

1. What is one observation you found particularly helpful from this week's sermon?

2. Read Mark 1:35–39 & Matthew 28:18-20. Why is anchoring your life around the good news of the Kingdom vital to staying focused on God amid our chaotic world?

a. What can you do to strategically keep your focus on the message of Jesus in spite of distractions, even within mainstream Christianity and beyond?

3. Read Matthew 4:23-5:1 & John 20:30-31. What was the purpose of Jesus' miracles?

a. How did miraculous signs authenticate the message of Jesus?

b. Why was proving his Messianic credentials important for His message and His mission?

c. How can a better understanding of Jesus' use of miracles help you keep his message the central aspect of Jesus' mission?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

February 26th

Numbers 16-17 & Mark 6:33-56

February 27th

Numbers 18-20 & Mark 7:1-13

February 28th

Num 21-23 & Mark 7:14-8:10

March 1st

Numbers 24-27 & Mark 8:11-38

March 2nd

Numbers 28-29 & Mark 9:1-29

March 3rd

Numbers 30-31 & Mark 9:30-50

March 4th

Numbers 32-33 & Mark 10:1-31

March 5th

Num 34-36 & Mark 10:32-52

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- 4. Read <u>Revelation 21:4–5</u>. How are you encouraged when you realize that Jesus' miracles were a small sample of the glory that will be fully revealed at the consummation of the Kingdom of God?
- Read Acts 2:42 & 2 Timothy 4:1-5. Why is sitting under trusted biblical teaching an important part of following Jesus?
 - a. What are the benefits of choosing a home church based primarily on the church's quality of teaching?