

THE MIRACULOUS LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST

I. Introduction and Prayer

II. A Quick Review

- a. Of our Course: "And We Beheld His Glory" (John 1:14)
- b. Of last week's lesson: Jesus' power over Satan (Ephesians 6:12)

III. Tonight's Lesson: The Miraculous Savior

- a. What is a miracle?
A tiny lesson in Greek: DYNAMIS (pronounced, "DOO' – nah – miss"), it is a word that means the ability to accomplish something out of sheer exertion, it comes to us from the Greek with the translation, "power"!
- b. The "intentionality" AND the Dynamis of the miracles of Jesus
- c. A look at this 'Power' of God
 - Luke 1:35
 - Luke 4:14-15
 - Luke 4:36

IV. How this power demonstrated itself in the work of Jesus

- a. Feeding the 5000 (Mark 6:30-44)
 - (i) Some background and all-important context:
 - This is the only miracle spoken of in all four gospels (Matt 14:13-21; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-14).
 - This section of Mark, up to the end of chapter 8, is about the growth of Jesus' ministry, and the opposition to it; it is in this block of scripture the feeding of the 5000 is set.
 - (ii) What events immediately precede the account of this miracle?
 - (iii) What sets the stage for the actual miracle?
 - a. The *Compassion* of Jesus Christ (6:34)
 - b. The *Teaching* of Jesus Christ (6:34)
 - c. The disciples make *orderly arrangements* (6:39-40)
 - d. Jesus *takes, blesses, and broke the loaves* Himself (6:41)
 - e. *All were filled* (6:42)
 - f. The miracle produced *MORE than they needed*, a LOT more (6:43; compare with 2 Kings 4:42-44)

V. Conclusions and Closing