

# Conversion: The Miraculous Work of God

Proclamation Life Groups; Ephesians 2:1-10; Week of Sunday, October 23, 2016; Steve Thiel

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Sinners are saved by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone, and yet salvation is not merely mental assent or a matter of human effort, but the result of God's miraculous work in a person's heart and mind that results in real and radical change.

## I. The Need for a Miraculous Work of God

### A. Read Ephesians 2:1-10

1. What are all the different ways that verses 1-3 describe people before salvation?
2. How is the miraculous work of God described in verses 4-10? and what is the result?
3. How do these verses clarify that a person cannot earn their salvation?

### B. Read Ezekiel 36:22-27

1. How are people described before salvation?
2. How is the miraculous work of God described in verses 24-27 and what is the result?
3. What illustration is given in Ezekiel 37? How is life given to the dry bones?

### C. Read John 3:1-15

1. What is the context for Jesus' comments on the miraculous nature of saving faith?
2. According to Jesus, what needs to happen to a person? How does this event happen?

## II. The Pictures of a Miraculous Work of God

- A. List three of Jesus' miracles and describe how they point to the miracle of salvation.
- B. As you think of the miracles, how radical was the change and how did the people respond?
- C. In what ways do you need the on-going miraculous work of God in your life?

## III. The Promise to be Miracle Workers for God

### A. Read John 14:1-14

1. How is the message of salvation being taught to the disciples in these verses?
2. What are the works that Jesus did? According to Jesus, who will do them also?
3. What does Jesus mean when He says, "*and greater works than these he will do*"?

### B. Application Questions

1. What do you think holds you back from sharing the gospel with people?
2. What are some things that you can do to address those issues?