



Something Greater

By Taylor Braswell January 12, 2024

TODAY'S READING: John 14

When Jesus says we will do greater works than Him in John 14:12, He does not mean miracles. Many charismatic denominations use this verse as evidence to suggest that we can raise people from the dead or heal on command like Jesus did. Church, Jesus performed signs and wonders so people would believe he was the Messiah (John 20:31, Acts 2:22). Remember, for thousands of years Israel had been following the Old Testament law, and now a guy shows up claiming to be God and says he is the Messiah. People needed to see signs and wonders to understand Christ really is the Messiah.

So Taylor, how can we do greater things than Jesus did then? Good question! Since God has given us His Spirit, we are empowered to share the gospel to a lost and dying world while being the hands and feet of Christ. God uses us as his instruments by which He saves. We can show the world Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life! Christ is the only way to God and when we follow Him, we have purpose in life. Christ is truth and God's Word provides us with what is true and what is not. Christ gives us eternal life and meaning in this life! Jesus tells us in verse 15 that we will follow His commandments if we love Him. Church, because we have the Holy Spirit, we can live the life God has called us to. No, we will not be perfect when following Christ, but if we are saved, our desire will be to follow God's commandments. We love because God first loved us (1 John 4:19).

PRAYER: God, thank You for giving me Your Spirit so I can live how You designed me to live. Use my life to help the church minister to the world.

TOMORROW'S READING: Weekend is for catch-up and review.

MONDAY'S READING: John 15

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