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10 When Jesus heard this, he was astonished and said to those following him, “I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith. 11 I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”
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14 When Jesus came into Peter’s house, he saw Peter’s mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. 15 He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him. 16 When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick. 17 This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: “He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases.”

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Absolutely!

Hebrews 13: 8, “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.”

God not only still does miracles, but we have the right to ask God for miracles.

Matthew 7:7-9
John 14:12-14
We must trust not only in God’s power, but also in His providence.

Jeremiah 29:11
11 For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Proverbs 3:5-6
5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Philippians 4:6-7
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7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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5 Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said: “Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; 6 with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased.

7 Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—I have come to do your will, O God.’”

8 First he said, “Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them” (although the law required them to be made). 9 Then he said, “Here I am, I have come to do your will.” He sets aside the first to establish the second.

10 And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Jesus came to address our foundational problem.
Romans 3:23, “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

1 Corinthians 15:57
But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 6:23
For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

John 3:16
“that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

3 THINGS WE CAN LEARN ABOUT JESUS THROUGH THESE STORIES:

1) Jesus has the power & authority to do the miraculous
2) Jesus has the power & authority to forgive sins
3) Jesus’ power & authority are for all people

Jesus came for all people because He’s for all people...

Jesus is for you!

Romans 8: 31-39