

**Title: The Church of the Miraculous      October 20, 2019**  
**Text: Acts 5:12-32**

**Walk-in:** For the longest while I remember a magnetic saying that was affixed to our refrigerator. It simply said: “**Expect a Miracle**”. I suspect that such a slogan might have been affixed to more than a few Christ followers belongings in the early church. It certainly seemed that God was up to something quite out of the ordinary in building this community of faith in Jesus the Messiah. Today I’d like to explore the miraculous nature of the Church as we find it described in this passage.

**First, it was a Church that was miraculous in its**  
**G** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Acts 5:12-14**

- There was a holy **R**\_\_\_\_\_ evident. (Vs.13)
- There was a **C**\_\_\_\_\_ to their body. (Vs. 14)

**Then, it was a Church that was miraculous in it’s**  
**M** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Acts 5:12,15-16**

- Δ** It included signs and wonders (vs. 12)  
- Answer to prayer of Acts 4:29-30
- Δ** It was characterized by Unity (vs.12b)
- Δ** It experienced healing(s) (vs.14,15)  
  
Both physical and emotional/spiritual healing  
  
Cf. Mark 6:53-56 & Matthew 9:20-22

**The church pure is the church powerful.**

**Further, it was a Church that was miraculous in it’s**  
**W** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Acts 5:17-28,33.**

- Despite **I**\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs. 18-25)  
  
Headline Day 1: **GOSPEL HEALERS LOCKED UP LIKE COMMON CRIMINALS!**  
  
Headline Day 2: **PRISONERS VANISHED INTO THIN AIR!**
- Despite **I**\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs.26-28)
- Despite **I**\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs.33)

**Finally, it was a Church that was miraculous in it’s**  
**M** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Acts 5:29-32,41,42**

- ✓ A message of **O**\_\_\_\_\_ to God. (Vs.29)
- ✓ A message of the **P -E**\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.  
(Vs.30-32,42)  
*Cf. Matthew 10:17-20.*
- ✓ A message of the privilege of **A**\_\_\_\_\_  
(vs.41)

**Wrap-up:** I wonder if we are expecting a miracle these days at City Light Church? A miracle that would see growth. A miracle that would energize its ministry. A miracle that would empower its witness. A miracle that would anoint its message. There is a price to pay in order to be that kind of church. It won’t be realized with casualness or carelessness. It calls us to be All IN for Jesus, our Messiah. Ask God to enable you to be part of the Church of the Miraculous today.