

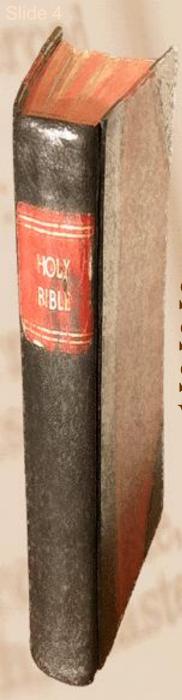
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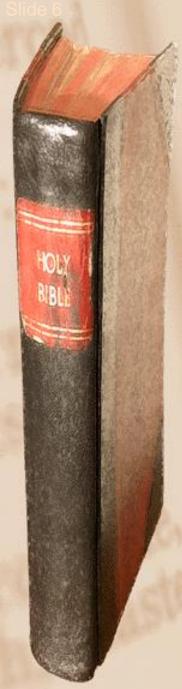
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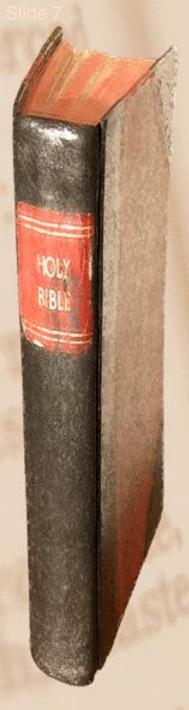
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"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. 2 For by it the elders obtained a good testimony."

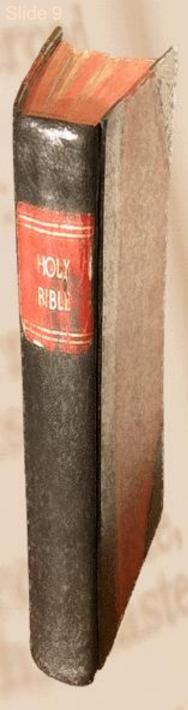


"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going."



"By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised."

Hebrews 11:11

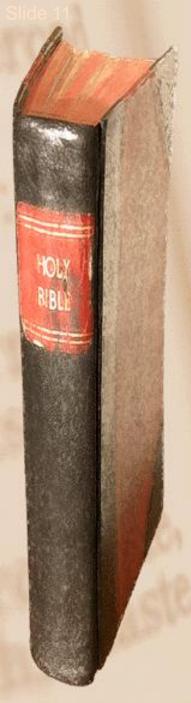


"By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,"

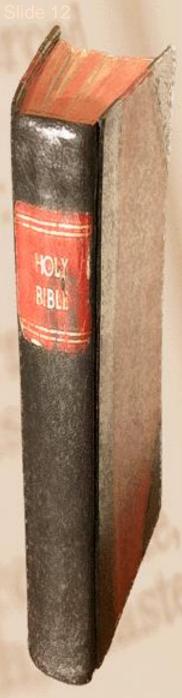


"By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come."

Hebrews 11:20

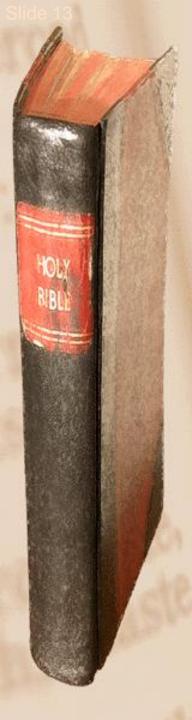


"By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff."

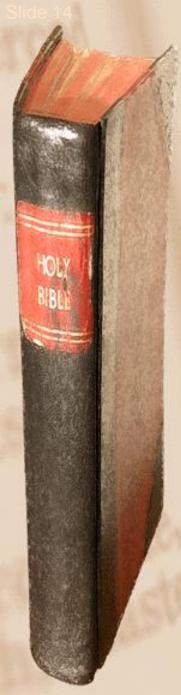


"By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones."

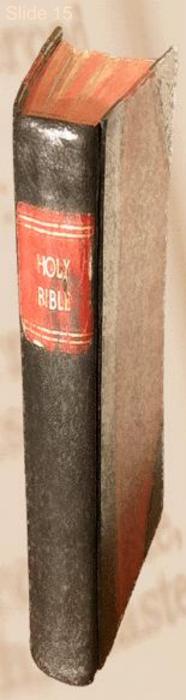
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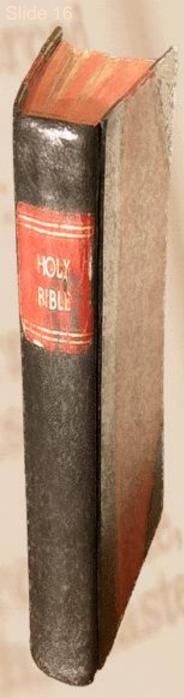
"By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days."



"By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace."



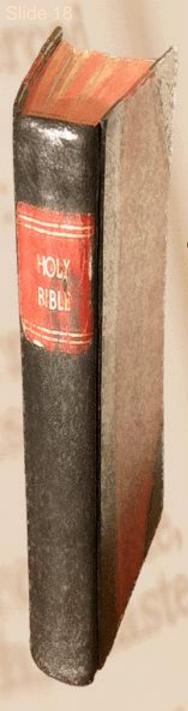
"And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets:"



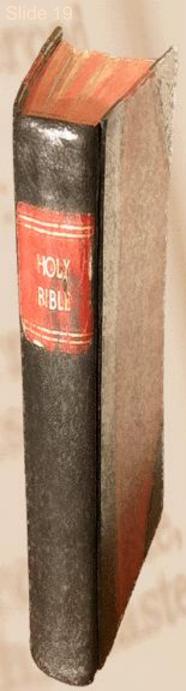
"And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, 40 God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us."

Hebrews 11:39-40



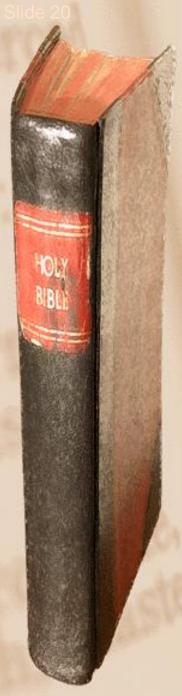


"They Were All Amazed, And Glorified God" Mark 1:21-28



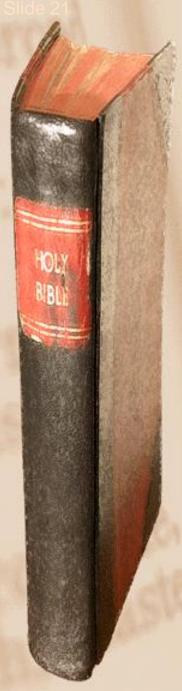
"Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." 28 And immediately His fame spread throughout all the region around Galilee."

Mark 1:27-28



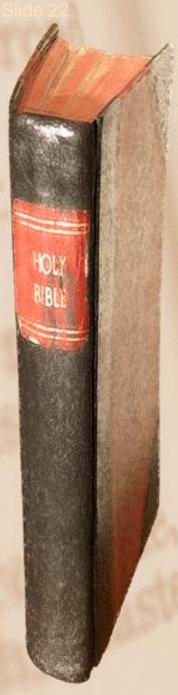
"When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demonpossessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick,"

Matt. 8:16



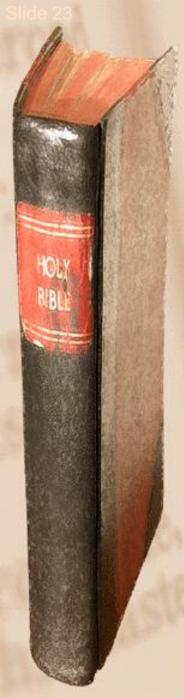
"However, he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the matter, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter the city, but was outside in deserted places; and they came to Him from every direction."

Mark 1:45



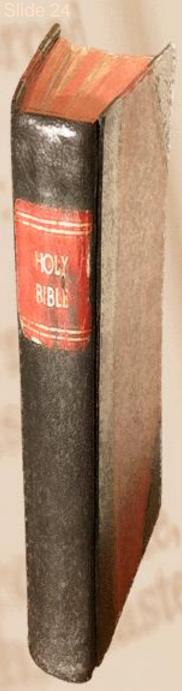
"I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house."

Mark 2:11



"Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Mark 2:12

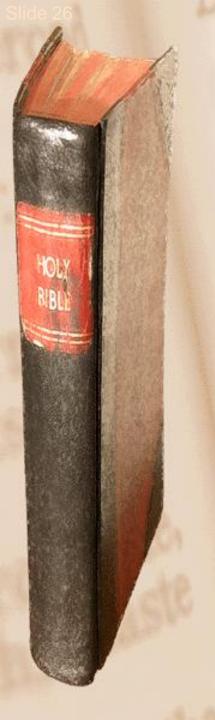


"And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion."

Mark 2:12 (KJV)



The Reasonableness of Jesus' Miracles



Jesus Really Did Miracles!



"Do you really think Jesus literally fed five thousand people with a few loaves and a few fishes?"



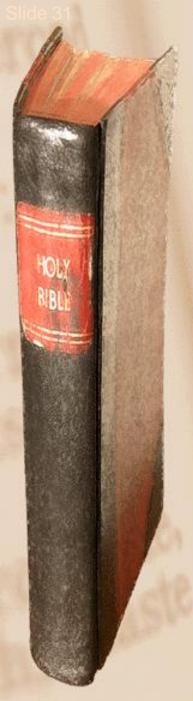
"Oh, those were just ignorant people back then who didn't have the knowledge we have. They called things miracles that really weren't miracles."



The Miracles of Jesus actually happened just as they are recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John!



I Believe This Because I Believe in GOD!

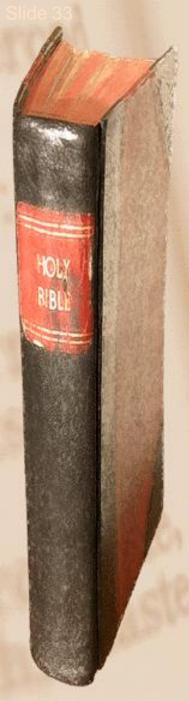


"And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible."

Mark 10:27

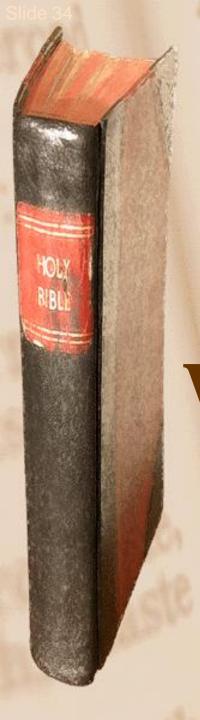


I Believe This Because I Believe The Bible!

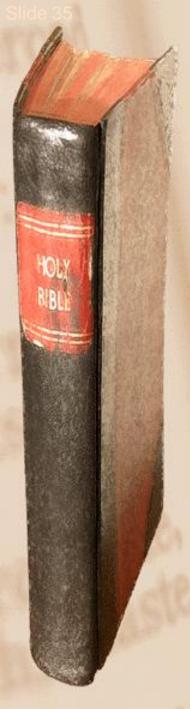


"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,"

2 Tim. 3:16



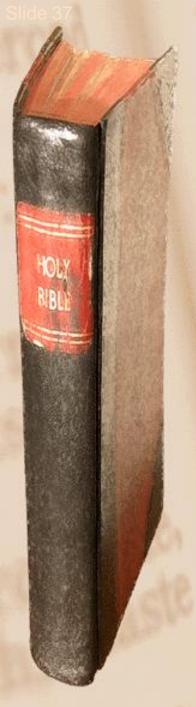
I Believe This Because The Miracles of Jesus Were Recorded BY Trustworthy Witnesses!



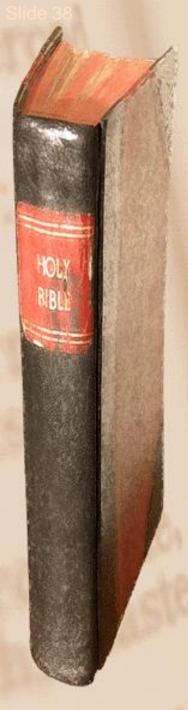
I Believe This Because The Miracles Are Consistent With Who Jesus Was – Or Who He Claimed To Be!



I Believe This Because There Is No Way To Explain Jesus Apart From His Miracles!

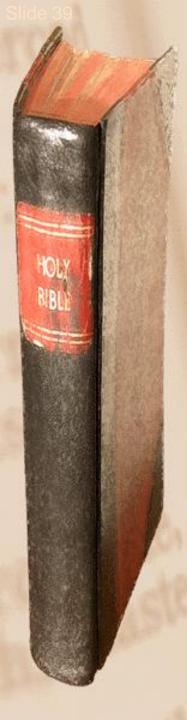


I Believe This Because Not Even Jesus' Enemies Could Deny That He Performed Miracles!



"But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralytic, 11 "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house. Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all,"

Mark 2:10-12a



"Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath."

Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them.,"

John 9:16



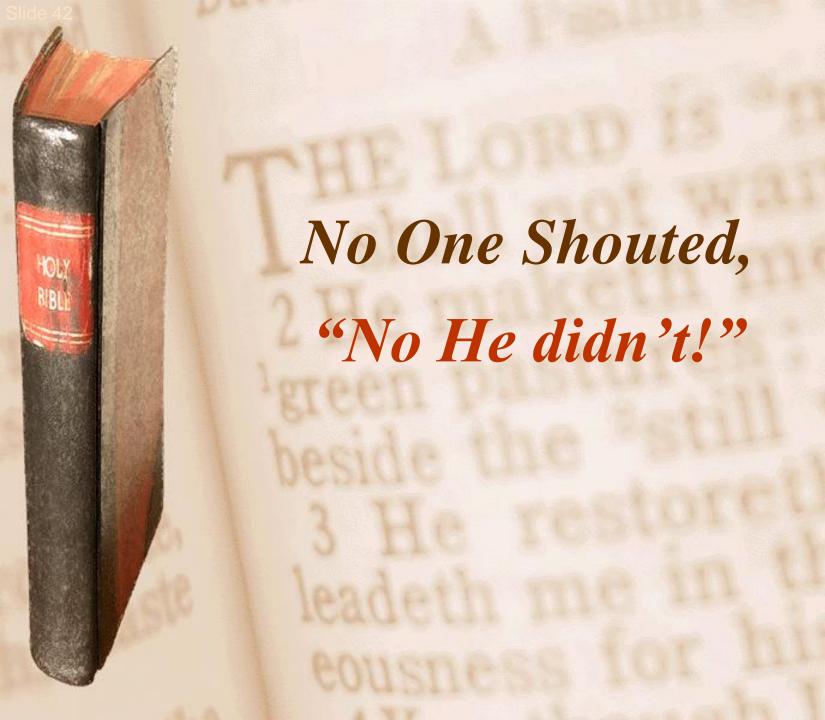
"Then the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered a council and said, "What shall we do? For this Man works many signs."

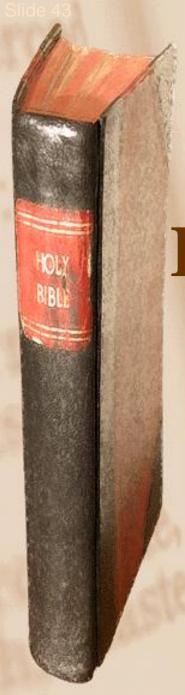
John 11:47



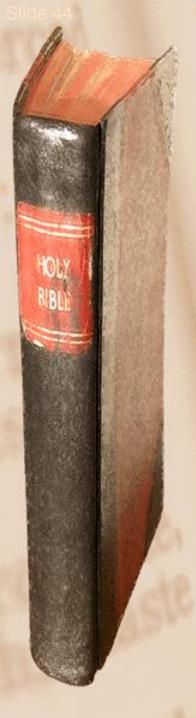
"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know—"

Acts 2:22

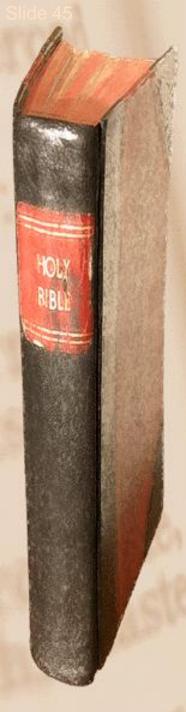




I Believe This Because Even Today We Cannot Explain Them Away!



"Sure, they thought that Jesus was doing miracles, but there were other men going around claiming to perform miracles, like Simon the sorcerer, and people thought they were miracle workers. Jesus just deceived people."



"Even if these accounts are trustworthy, even if these things really happened, those who wrote about them didn't understand what was happening. They didn't know about psychosomatic disease. Today we know that 80 percent of physical problems people have are related to some problem in the mind. That's how Jesus was able to heal."



Does this argument answer:



Does this argument answer: The healing of the man with leprosy?



Does this argument answer: The restoration of shrunken limbs?



Does this argument answer: Healing the man born blind?



Does this argument answer: Raising Lazarus from the dead after four days?



Jesus' miracles were done in public!



Heal a paralytic in the synagogue at Capernaum



Heal Peter's Mother-in-law



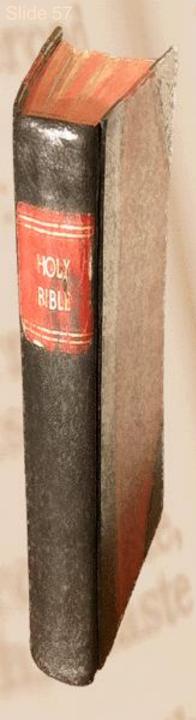
Heal all who came to Him in Capernaum – and in Galilee



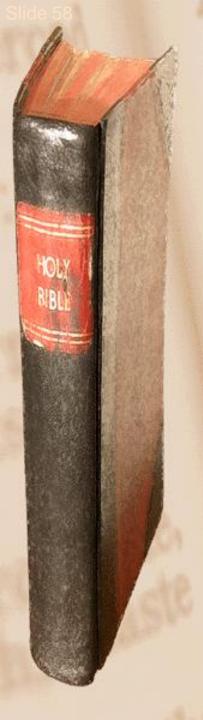
Heal a man full of leprosy



Heal a man let down through the roof at Capernaum



The Reality of Jesus' Miracles



Jesus' Miracles Then



Jesus Was Not Limited In His Miracles

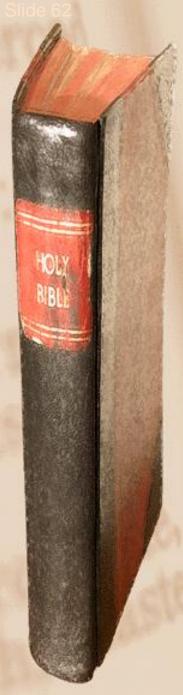


"without measure"

John 3:34

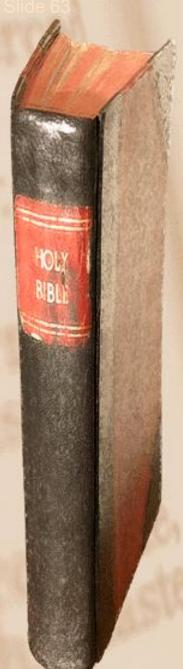


He Was NOT Limited by the Faith of Others



"And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean."

Matt. 8:2

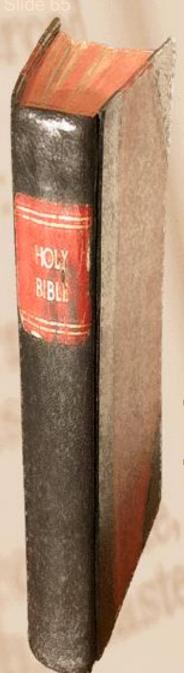


"Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you."

Matt. 9:2

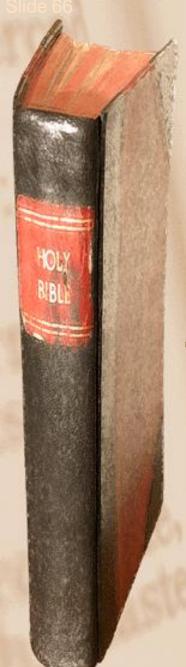


He Was NOT Limited Regarding the Types of Physical Problems He Could Heal



"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people."

Matt. 4:23

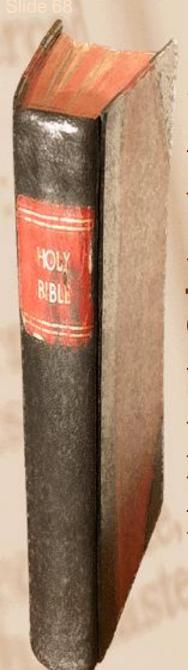


"And it happened when He was in a certain city, that behold, a man who was full of leprosy saw Jesus; and he fell on his face and implored Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean."

Luke 5:12

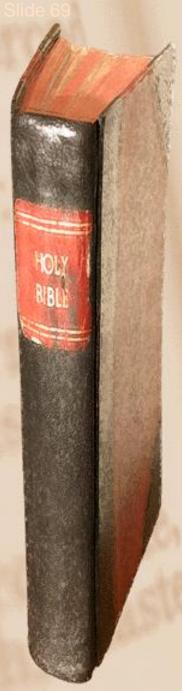


He Was NOT Limited By The Number of People He Could Heal



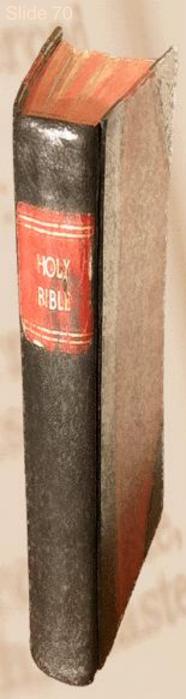
"Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demonpossessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them."

Matt. 4:24



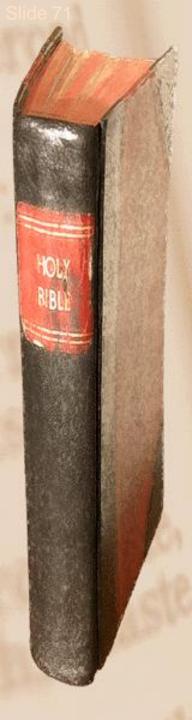
"When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick,"

Matt. 8:16

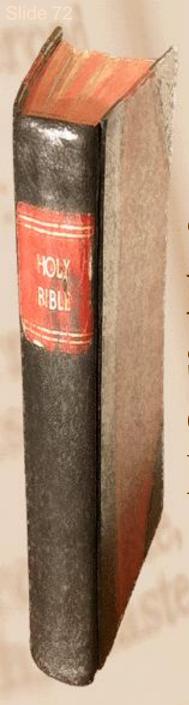


"When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them."

Luke 4:40



Jesus' Healings Had Certain Characteristics



Immediate

"Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed."

Matt. 8:3



Immediate

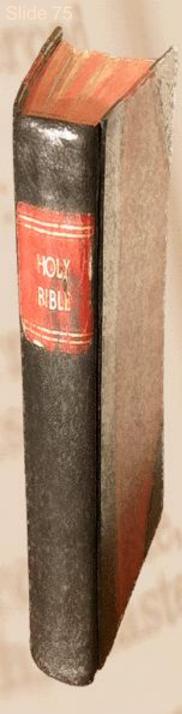
"Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Mark 2:12



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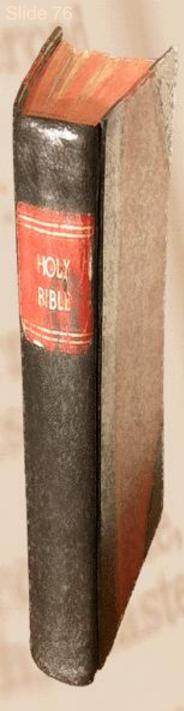
- **Demon Possessed Man**
- Peter's Mother-in-law
- Leper Was Cleansed
- Blind Made to See
- People Raised From The Dead



Convincing

"Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them. 25 Great multitudes followed Him—from Galilee, and from Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan."

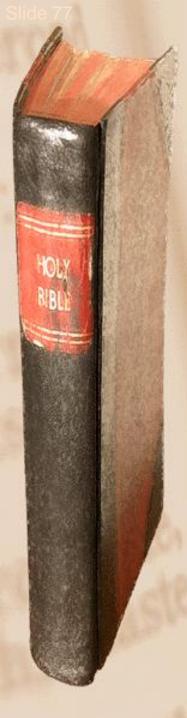
Matt. 4:24-25



Convincing

"Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him." 28 And immediately His fame spread throughout all the region around Galilee."

Mark 1:27-28



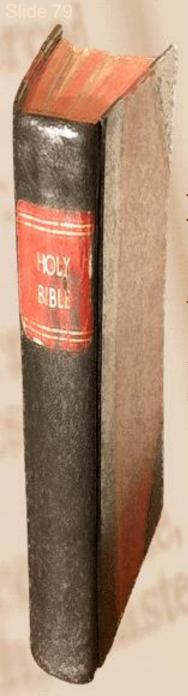
Convincing

"However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities."

Luke 5:15

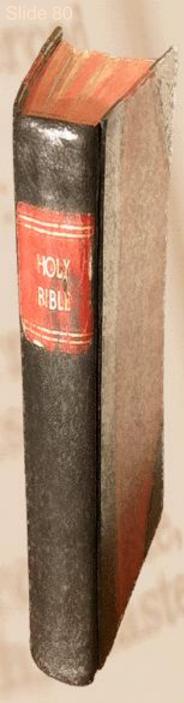


Jesus' Aim Was Primarily Spiritual



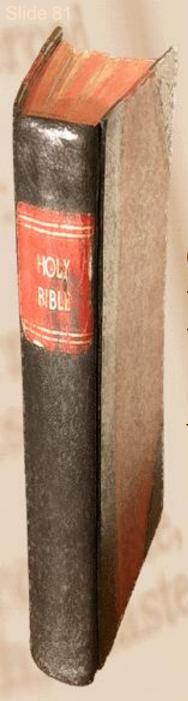
"but He said to them, "I must preach the kingdom of God to the other cities also, because for this purpose I have been sent."

Luke 4:43



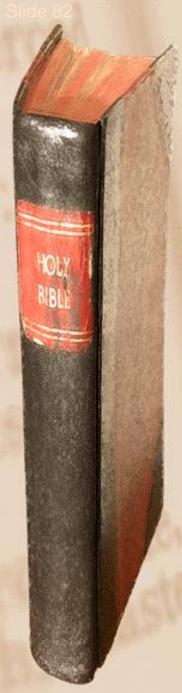
"for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Luke 19:10



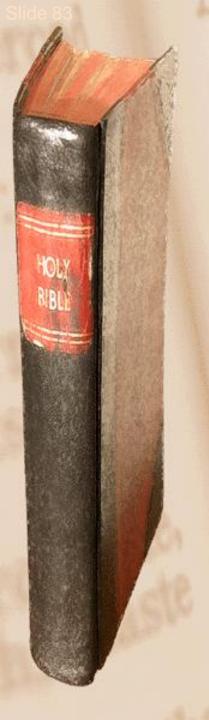
"Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed.""

Mark 1:41

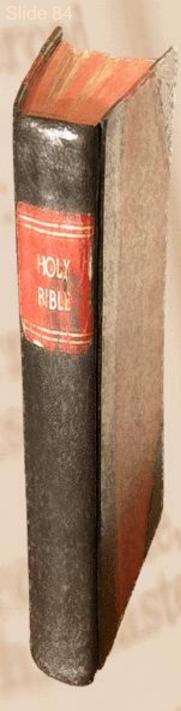


"When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you.""

Mark 2:5

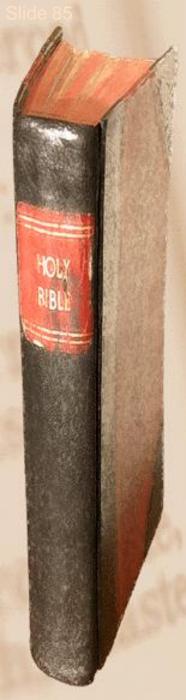


So-Called Miracles Now



Jesus Not Limited in His Miracles

- Not by faith of others
- Not by kind of physical problem
- Not by number of cases



So-Called Faith Healers of Today Make Up Excuses:

- "He didn't have enough faith"
- "We are limited by the other man's faith"
- Some illnesses these "healers" won't attempt to heal

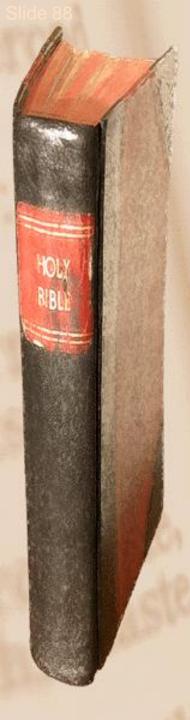


Jesus' Miracles:

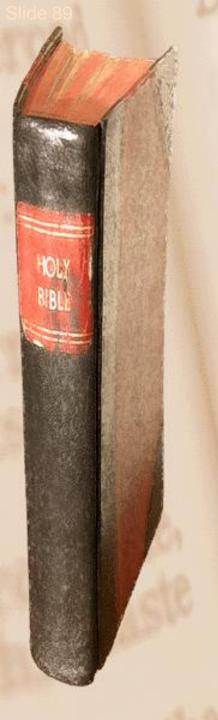
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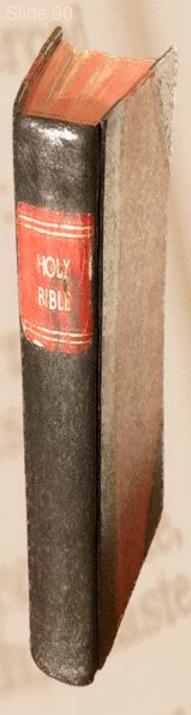
Jesus' Emphasized the Spiritual Man!



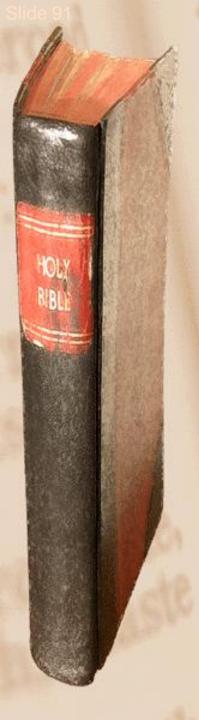
Today's "healing services" emphasize excitement and the physical!

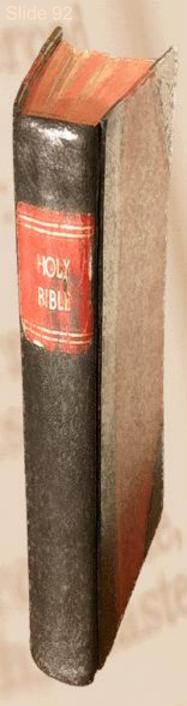


The Result of Jesus' Miracles

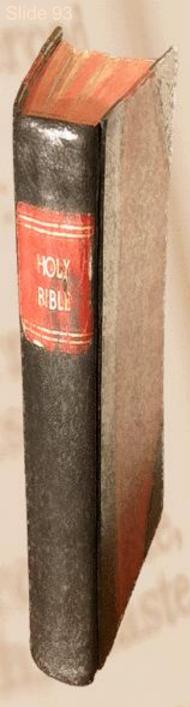


Jesus' Miracles Proved Him to Be God's Son Our Savior!

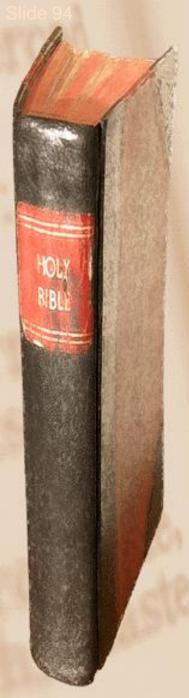




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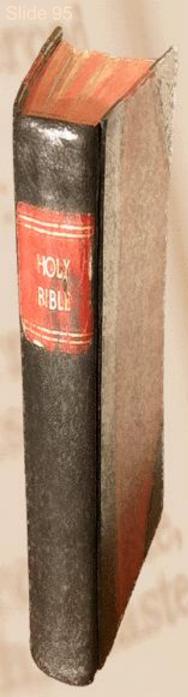


- They Were Amazed (Mark 2:12)
- They Were Astonished (Luke 5:26)



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- They Were filled With Awe

(Matt. 9:8)

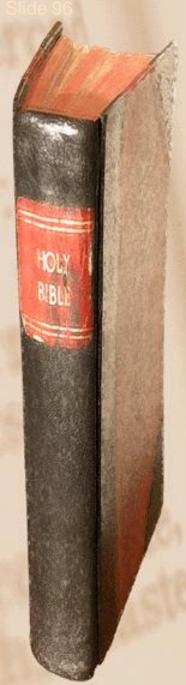


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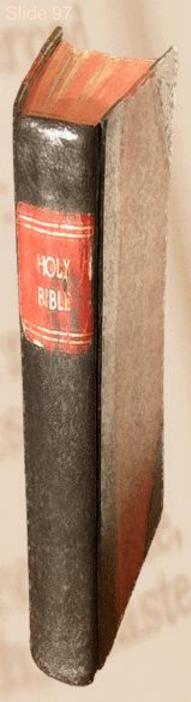
They Glorified God

(Matt. 9:8; Mark 2:12; Luke 5:25-26)



"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name."

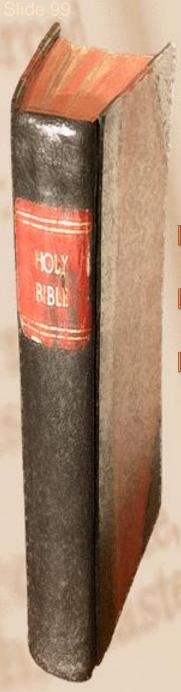
John 20:30-31



"But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead."

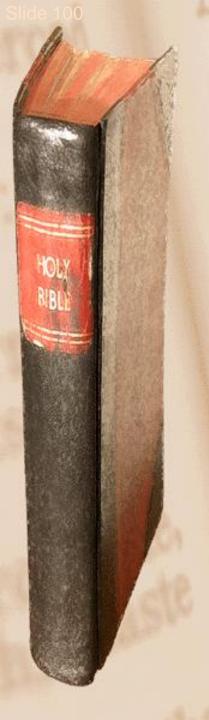
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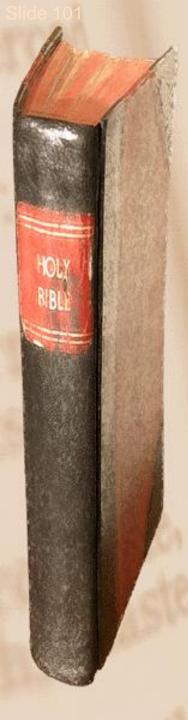


"They Were All Amazed and Glorified God"

- The Reasonableness of Jesus' Miracles
- The *Reality* of Jesus' Miracles
- The Result of Jesus' Miracles



God's Plan For Saving Man



God's Plan For Saving Man

Hear The Gospel

Matthew 17:5 / Romans 10:17

Believe In Christ

John 8:24 / James 2:24

Repentance of Sins

Acts 17:30 / Matthew 21:28-31



God's Plan For Saving Man

Confess Christ As The Son Of God

Matthew 10:32 / Romans 10:9 / Acts 8:36-38

Be Baptized (Immersed)

Mark 16:16 / 1 Peter 3:21 / Acts 22:16 / Acts 2:38

Romans 6:3-4 / Acts 8:36-39 / Galatians 3:27

Live Faithfully In Christ

Acts 2:47 / Revelation 2:10 / 1 Corinthians 15:58

Colossians 1:23 / Acts 8:13-22 / 1 John 1:9

2 Thessalonians 3:6-15