

EVERYTHING HE DOES IS WONDERFUL!

Mark 7:37 (NLT) They were completely amazed and said again and again, **“Everything he does is wonderful.** He even makes the deaf to hear and gives speech to those who cannot speak.”

As we get started today I need to say that I feel confident that every teaching is an opportunity to challenge the mind, enlarge the heart, strengthen the faith and bring us all one step closer to our Divine destiny.

I am expecting great things to happen to all of us today as we remember the wonderful works of our Master.

Jesus was attending a wedding. **You know HE enjoyed parties.** Some people don't get it that Jesus was fun loving and enjoyable to be around

Matthew 11:19 (TPT) Yet when the Son of Man came and went to feasts and drank wine, you said, 'Look at this Man! He is nothing but a glutton and a drunkard! He spends all his time with tax collectors and other affluent sinners.' But God's wisdom will be visibly seen living in those who embrace it.”

Christ ate and drank with men. Not only *as* others, but with others.

He was no recluse. Jesus was sociable, willing to talk and to engage.

HE WAS HOLIER THAN ALL BUT NEVER HOLIER THAN THOU.

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Jesus represents the new order, which is a life of liberty, because its a life of love

Jesus was an equal opportunity lover.

He loved those who worshipped in the temple / He loved those who worked the streets.

He loved the rich and the poor equally.

He loved the outcast as dearly as HE loved the insider.

He loved those who were of HIS kind and He loved those who were not of HIS kind because HE loved mankind.

Jesus embraced all who would come to HIM and wept over all who would not

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

So I made mention of this wedding.

In the 2nd chapter of John we find Jesus and HIS disciples at a wedding. During the wedding celebration they ran out of wine.

This was the setting of the Lord's first miracle.

John 2:11 (NASB) This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

Now I gotta tell you I would not have chosen a wedding in Cana to do my first miracle. I would have chosen a massive gathering in Jerusalem and I would not have performed the miracle that Jesus did - I would have caused a missing limb to grow out, or a leper to be made clean. Something mammoth and exciting!

But Jesus HE choses a wedding celebration and HE creates wine.

Why?

Was anyone delivered from a demon? NO

Was anyone healed of some deadly disease? NO

Jesus first miracle was just to keep the party going.

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

John 2:11 (NASB) This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and **manifested His glory**, and His disciples believed in Him.

Jesus did not come to shut all the sunshine out of life and suffocate our laugh, silence our happy song..

***Never accept a Christianity that makes people gloomy and moody.**

And our relationship with Jesus is misunderstood if it is supposed to lessen the happiness of life.

I could camp out here and talk about this wedding for awhile but our Master did so many wonderful things we need to continue.

Then there was this woman in John 4.

Jesus was sitting at this well around noontime when a woman comes there to draw water.

Women didn't come to the well at noon when it was hot they came in the morning before the sun could scorch them.

But this woman was not part of the in crowd. Actually she wasn't welcome in any crowd.

I can relate. I have spent most of my life wondering where I fit. Even to this day I feel out of place with most ministers.

So Jesus sits there and talks to this outcast. He reveals to her that **He knows everything that she'd ever done and condemned her for none of it**

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Then if we jump to the 8th chapter of John we find another woman who had been caught in the very act of adultery.

The crowd wanted to kill her.

The doctrine of the pharisee demands perfection from everyone except themselves.

So Jesus says, "Let's have the man whose never had a sinful desire and let him throw the first stone."

When they leave, He lifts her head and looks into her eyes

Psalms 3:3 (TPT) But in the depths of my heart I truly know that you, Yahweh, have become my Shield; You take me and surround me with yourself. Your glory covers me continually. You lift high my head when I bow low in shame.

And then HE the only one qualified to condemn her releases her with the words, Go, and from now on, be free from a life of sin.”

He uses words to create wellness

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Acts 10:38 (TPT) “Jesus of Nazareth was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit and with great power. He did wonderful things for others and divinely healed all who were under the tyranny of the devil, for God had anointed him.

Good - εὐεργετέω euergeteō / to do good, bestow benefits / philanthropic =seeking to promote the welfare of others, especially by donating money to good causes; generous and benevolent.

Last week I exhorted out of Malachi. The people had been saying there is no benefit in serving God. God said you need to return to ME

***IF GOD IS OF NO BENEFIT TO YOUR LIFE HE AIN'T IN YOUR LIFE! RETURN TO HIM.**

Psalms 68:19 (KJV) Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah.

[Open bible read Psalm 68:4-6]

Of course we know that Jesus healed. But He also went about bestowing benefits on others. Engaging in philanthropic works.

Jesus was a giver.

He was an agent of change for all.

He lightened the heavy load of the bruised and battered

Isaiah 42:3 (NASB) "A bruised reed He will not break And a dimly burning wick He will not extinguish; He will faithfully bring forth justice.

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Psalms 98:1 (NASB) A Psalm. O sing to the LORD a new song, For He has done wonderful things, His right hand and His holy arm have gained the victory for Him.

Isaiah said that His name would be Wonderful Counselor.

Then there was this man we find him in Mark 5 who was injuring himself. He was in constant pain, tormented and would cut himself.

A man created for dignity had been living among the dead.

Jesus set him free from everything that tormented him.

When the people found him who had been possessed he was sitting and chatting with Jesus

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Then staying in Mark 5 a man named Jairus came to Jesus begging Him to come and heal his daughter who was dying at home.

Jesus agrees to go with him when suddenly everything stops as Jesus turns around and asked, "who touched me."

A woman who had been in bad shape.

Another social outcast not because of what she did but because of who she was.

12 years before she had a longer than usual menstrual cycle. Inconvenient but nothing major. Except that it didn't stop!

She was defiled, polluted, unclean. No physical contact. No socializing. She was isolated in quarantine for 12 years.

She had tried everything. Suffered at the hands of many doctors. Suffered!

Ancient treatments were often barbaric and she literally suffered at the hands of many who had offered hope of recovery.

But nothing worked. She actually got worse, but the doctors still demanded payment.

By this time she was broken, completely broken, defiled, unclean, poor, and exhausted.

She reached out and HE turned....

Mark 5:34 (NASB) And He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your affliction."

Daughter! He spoke to her gently and lovingly.

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Where do we go now?

He did so many wonderful things. Spoke so many wonderful words.

John 21:25 (NASB) And there are also many other things which Jesus did, which if they *were written in detail, I suppose that even the world itself *would not contain the books that *would be written.

He restored dignity to Zacchaeus

He restored life to Lazarus

He restored sight to the blind, strength to the lame and hope to the hopeless

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

Deuteronomy 32:4 (NLT) He is the Rock; his deeds are perfect. Everything he does is just and fair. He is a faithful God who does no wrong; how just and upright he is!

Psalms 86:8-10 (NLT) 8 No pagan god is like you, O Lord. None can do what you do! 9 All the nations you made will come and bow before you, Lord; they will praise your holy name. 10 For you are great and perform wonderful deeds. You alone are God.

And of course we can't end without talking about that wonderful thing that HE did for you and for me - the Wonder of all Wonders

Luke 23:34 (TPT) While they were nailing Jesus to the cross, he prayed over and over, "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they're doing." ...

They hung him between sky and ground, naked. Battered and traumatized.

I once read a scholar say that it was not the nails that held HIM there but the love.

An old song says that when HE was on the cross I was on HIS mind

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

John 19:30 (NASB) Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

The price had been paid and redemption secured for people like you and me.

Now any and all who will can come to Him

Matthew 11:28-30 (TPT) "Are you weary, carrying a heavy burden? Then come to me. I will refresh your life, for I am your oasis. [29] Simply join your life with mine. Learn my ways and you'll discover that I'm gentle, humble, easy to please. You will find refreshment and rest in me. [30] For all that I require of you will be pleasant and easy to bear."

ISN'T THAT WONDERFUL?

But wait there is more!

He said

John 14:3 (TPT) And when everything is ready, I will come back and take you to myself so that you will be where I am.

Now that is wonderful!