

# The Power to Make Life Work

## SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### I. Introduction: A Miracle Story

### II. A Sign Story: This points to that

a. Question: What do you think is easier for God - to make a lame person walk or to heal a broken heart?

#### b. Observing Jesus

i. A person of Worship

ii. A person of Compassion

### III. Who can walk with God?

a. The physical is pointing to the spiritual

b. Choose life that is really life ...

### IV. Transformation and Two Types of Expectation

a. Walking the Road of Repentance (*matanoia*)

b. Hope vs Entitlement

### V. Conclusion: Not the First Time ...

## Discussion Questions

### Sharing Life Together

1. What is the greatest miracle you have personally witnessed?

### Reflecting on the Message Together

1. How is your walk with God right now?

2. If God could heal one thing in your walk with Him right now, what would it be and why?

3. Have you ever experienced people not practicing their religion with compassion? What kind of impact did it have?

4. What are ways we can cultivate compassion in our religious practices?

5. We should expect God to work miracles, but the expectation needs to be marked by hope not entitlement. What is the difference?

6. What are things that lead to an attitude of entitlement?

7. How do we hold on to hope when God doesn't work the specific miracle we want Him to do?

8. Where do you want God to work his miraculous power in your life, right now?

9. How did God speak to you through the message?

10. How can we pray for one another?