

Power in the Name of Jesus

Acts 19:11-20

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What was the purpose of the miracles in the Bible?

We live in an age where experience trumps truth.

The message of salvation is the main thing, not the miracles.

Extraordinary Miracles v 11

God worked through Paul's sweaty work clothes.

What is Worldview Blinding?

That can't happen; therefore it did not happen.

What do the miracles say?

Miracles make perfect sense in a God-made, God-controlled world.

We live in that skeptical world.

God can act in his own world, for his own reasons.

Those who Ignorantly Imitate the Power of God v 13

Do some try to use the power of God for their own purposes?

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Who were the Sons of Sceva?

Is there magical power in names.

"Jesus I know, and Paul I recognize, but who are you?"

Two things happened:

Fear fell on them.

The name of Jesus was extolled.

Many Christians repented. v 18

Many Christians are still living a double, inconsistent life.

Separation and sacrifice as a sign of true repentance.

Soren Kierkegaard's wild ducks.

Your church family should be a place where you can confess your sins.

The powerful Word produces living faith.