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#### THE MIRACLES OF JESUS

#### PART I: THE MIRACLE OF A TRANSFORMED LIFE

**Miracle:** A supernatural act or event that would not have happened without the divine intervention of God

**Luke 8:1-3 (NIV).** After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, and also some women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out; Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod's household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.

**REMEMBER:** There is no sin great enough, or person so lost, to be beyond the reach of Jesus.

**Isaiah 1:18 (NLT).** "Come now, let's settle this," [come, let's reason together] says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool.

### IN JESUS OUR TRANSFORMATION IS ASSURED:

1. HIS [GRACE] IS GREATER THAN OUR [PAST].

**2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (NLT).** This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ...

Our past doesn't have to define us! His grace is greater than our past!

**Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT).** God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

## 2. HIS [RESCUE] IS GREATER THAN OUR [SIN].

**2 Corinthians 5:19-20 (NLT).** For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

Romans 6:1-2 (NLT). Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it?

# 3. HIS [REDEMPTION] IS GREATER THAN OUR [CHAINS].

**2 Corinthians 5:21 (NLT).** For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

Jesus doesn't just free us <u>from</u> something, but frees us <u>for</u> something, to live a life of purpose.

Colossians 1:20-22 (NLT). and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross. This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.

