

Do Miracles Matter? The Exchange 2/5/2015

- 1. Have you ever witnessed or experienced a miracle first-hand?
- 2. What was the last miracle that you heard about? Did it have an impact on your faith?
- 3. Do you think miracles help us grow our relationship with God? Why or why not?
- 4. Do you think miracles such as those in the Bible still exist today? Why or why not?
- 5. Do you believe that God only performs miracles for people who believe or do you think He performs them despite the faith of the people and outcomes?
- 6. Do you think faith healers today such as Binny Hinn and other televangelists are from God?
- 7. Think of the Old Testament and the role miracles played in the time of ancient Israel.

 How did this impact the early Hebrews? Why do you think Israel rebelled by worshiping the golden calf at Mt Sinai after being miraculously saved by God through the ten plagues on Egypt?
- 8. God ordinarily effects his purpose through the agency of second causes (i.e. Doctors performing surgery); but He has the power also of effecting his purpose immediately and without the intervention of second causes. Which brings about more faith, the intervention of second causes or first hand miracles? Why?
- 9. What do you think the greatest miracle in your life has been?
- 10. Do you ask God for miracles? Do you expect them? What miracle do you want God to perform for you today?