

4. Read Exodus 14:19-22 and Matthew 12:10-13. Do you believe there is any difference between “big” and “little” miracles?

5. Considering God’s miraculous nature and all of Jesus’ works, why do you think Jesus was so grieved by the Pharisees seeking a sign in Mark 8:11-12?

6. What are you believing on God for today? What things are a barrier to putting your full trust in him?

7. What did you find helpful or challenging about the message?

*“It is not the objective proof of God’s existence that we want but the experience of God’s presence. That is the miracle we are really after, and that is also, I think, the miracle that we really get.” - Frederick Buechner*

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Sermon Notes

Introduction

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Christmas miracle is the Holy Spirit; v. 18

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# The Miracle of the Virgin Birth

## Matthew 1:18-25

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2. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the Christmas miracle is to produce faith:  
v. 19-25

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the Christmas miracle is to fulfill God's long  
awaited promise of the Savior; v. 21-25

### QUESTIONS

**Ice Breaker:** What is the most daring thing you have ever done?

1. What challenges would you have faced personally if you were in Joseph or Mary's position during these events? How would you have dealt with them?

2. Why do you think Joseph's intended actions showed that he was a just man?  
(Matthew 1:19)

3. What is your definition of a miracle?