

Miracles are the Means to Revelation (from ACIM's Urtext)



In this phase of learning, *working miracles is more valuable* because freedom from fear cannot be thrust upon you. When it is as in Revelation, the experience cannot last.

Revelation induces a state in which fear has ALREADY BEEN abolished. **Miracles are thus a means, and Revelations are an end.** In this sense, they work together.

[snip] **miracles DO NOT depend on Revelation.** *They INDUCE it.*

You can do ANYTHING I ask. **I have asked you to perform miracles,** and have made it VERY clear that these are NATURAL, CORRECTIVE, HEALING, and UNIVERSAL.

The power to work Miracles belongs to you. I will create the right opportunities for you to do them. But you must be ready & willing to do them, since you are already able to. *Doing them will bring conviction in the ability.* I repeat that you will see Miracles thru your hands thru MINE. Conviction really comes thru accomplishment. **Remember that ability is the potential, Achievement is its expression, and Atonement is the Purpose.**

The next part of this course rests too heavily on the earlier part not to REQUIRE its study. Without this, you will become much too fearful when the unexpected DOES occur to make constructive use of it. However, as you study the notes, you will see some of the obvious implications, unless you still persist in misusing the defense of mental retardation.

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The reason why **a solid foundation is necessary** at this point is because of the highly likely confusion of “fearful” and “awesome,” which most people do make. You will remember that we said once before that awe is inappropriate in connection with the Sons of God, because you should not experience awe in the presence of your own equals. But it WAS emphasized that awe IS a proper reaction of the Soul in the presence of its Creator.

So far, this course has had only indirect recourse to God, and rarely even refers to Him directly. I have repeatedly emphasized that awe is not appropriate in connection with me, BECAUSE of our inherent equality. I have been careful to clarify my own role in the Atonement, without either over or understating it. I have tried to do exactly the same things in connection with yours.

The next step, however, DOES involve the direct approach to God Himself. *It would be most unwise to start on this step at all without very careful preparation,* or awe will surely be confused with fear, and the experience will be more traumatic than beatific.

Healing is of God in the end. The means are carefully explained in the notes. *Revelation has occasionally SHOWN you the end, but to reach it the means [miracles] are needed.*