BIBLE TALK

Welcome to "Bible Talk." This week we are discussing this question: When did miracles cease?

1 Corinthians 13:8-10

- 8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.
- 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part.
- 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

According to this miracles would cease when "that which is perfect has come." This refers to the completion of the NT scriptures. The NT scriptures are called the "perfect law of liberty" in James 1:25.

Some people think that because Jesus does not change (Heb. 13:8) that He cannot therefore stop doing miracles. But 1 Cor. 13:8-10 says that miracles would cease. Do we believe the scriptures or not? Just because someone changes how they operate does not mean they are a different person. In fact, notice the next verse:

1 Corinthians 13:11

11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

We are all the same people we were when we were born, but we have matured and no longer do "childish things." When the church first began, it needed miracles, but the church grew up and "put away childish things" when the NT scriptures were completed.

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