

# MIRACLES

*then and now*

## **PART 4: IN THE ZONE**

God's work in us often begins with instructions we don't like, expect, or respect. What if God's work in us exposes how pride, expectations, and status can quietly block the very breakthrough we're asking God for?

### **CONNECT**

What's the strangest instruction you've ever been given? Did you follow it?

### **LEARN**

You will watch a shortened version of a message from this series to set up your group discussion. Watch the full message sometime this week as a reminder of what you talked about today.

### **APPLY**

After sharing what stood out from the video, discuss the following questions as a group:

1. Naaman expected a dramatic, public, honor-preserving miracle. Why do you think God worked in a way that was "beneath him"?
2. Where do pride or expectations show up in your life that keep you from doing what God asks? Why do you think simple obedience is sometimes harder than big sacrifices?
3. Who in your life has permission to speak truth when your pride flares up?
4. Naaman wasn't just healed—he was changed. How does this story reshape what you believe God ultimately wants to do in your life?

### **WRAP UP**

God often works through simple obedience, not impressive performances or easy answers. Over the next couple days, try to identify a place you may be resisting God right now. Take the next obedient step, trusting that surrender positions you to experience God's faithfulness on the other side.

### **PRAY**

Invite God to reveal where pride, expectations, or fear are blocking obedience. Ask for the humility to trust that God's ways—however unimpressive—are always purposeful.