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In Mark 8, Jesus once more fed a crowdâ€”this one numbering 4,000 peopleâ€”with just seven loaves and a few fish. Again, the disciples took up several baskets of leftovers (see Mark 8:5-8). Yet Christ discerned that the disciples still didnâ€™t accept His miracle-working power, so He asked them, â€œHave ye your heart yet hardened?â€ (Mark 8:17).

I picture the disciples after this second feeding, sitting dumbfounded. They must have thought, â€œThis canâ€™t be happening. If Jesus truly is God, why would He choose us to share in such incredible power? Weâ€™re just uneducated fishermen. Why would He walk out onto the water to get into our little boat instead of revealing this miracle to a group thatâ€™s more worthy?â€

Youâ€™ve probably wondered the same things at times, about yourself: â€œThere are billions of people on this earth. Why did God speak to me? Why did He choose me?â€ The reason is that it was an absolute miracle. Your conversion was totally supernatural. It wasnâ€™t just one unexplainable natural eventâ€”no, there was nothing natural about it.

Why? Because there is nothing natural about the Christian life. It is all supernatural. Itâ€™s a life dependent upon miracles from the very beginning (including your conversion). And it simply canâ€™t be lived without faith in the supernatural.

The power that keeps you in Christ is totally supernatural. The world lives in darkness, but you have the light all because you live in the realm of the supernatural. Thereâ€™s nothing natural about your body being the temple of the Holy Ghost. Nothing is natural about being the abode of the supernatural God of the universe.

Yet this is often where hardening occurs. People begin to attribute Godâ€™s supernatural workings in their lives to the natural. It is dangerous to forget His miracles. Itâ€™s frightening to look back at divine wonders and say, â€œIt just happened.â€ Every time you take the super out of the supernatural, your heart hardens a little more.

Dear saint, you simply must accept this by faith: The same supernatural God who fed crowds of thousands with just a few loaves will work supernaturally in your crises also. His miracle-working power will deliver you from all bondages. It will empower you to walk in freedom. And Heâ€™ll use your weaknessâ€”indeed, your very lowest stateâ€”to show the world His miracles of keeping power.

Hard times are guaranteed to come upon all who follow Jesus. Yet when those times come weâ€™re to say with confidence, â€œDo it again, Lord. Youâ€™ve worked miracles before in my life. Youâ€™ve delivered Your servants supernaturally throughout history. Let your strength be made perfect in my weakness.â€