



## Can You See the Miracle Happening in Front of You?

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# Message Notes

Beware of Self-Fulfilling Prophecy.

God's way forward can seem confusing.

Don't miss the miracle in front of you.

Listen. Discern. Trust.

## SCRIPTURE

*Isaiah 7:13-14; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 13:55; Luke 2:1-7; Proverbs 3:5-6; Genesis 22:1-18*

# Discussion Guide

## ENGAGE

1. Share about a time when you experienced a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy? What were the circumstances that prevented you from understanding the influence you had on future events?
2. Read Matthew 1:18-25. What would you imagine to be Joseph's expectations for his future? How did God intervene? What changed with Joseph's plans after his Angel encounter?
3. Read Genesis 22:1-18. What are the parallels in the account of Abraham and Isaac to the account of Joseph and Jesus?
4. What steps can you take to ensure you don't miss the signs of God's intervention in your own life?
5. If applicable, share about a time when you listened, discerned, and trusted God for guidance and direction.

## APPLY

Identify a decision that you are facing and write it down. Below the decision, write down the ultimate result that you are expecting. Cross out the expected result.

In prayer, ask God to meet you in the decision (expect God to Speak).

- LISTEN, and write down what you sense God speaking to you (Words that come from the Bible, Pictures that come to mind, what others in your Growth Group hear on your behalf).
- DISCERN if what you hear aligns with God's Word in the Bible and God's Character in Love.
- TRUST that if you discern this is a Word from God—walk in it and leave the results to Him.

## PRAY