

A person with a backpack is running across a rocky mountain ridge. The scene is set against a dramatic sunset sky with warm orange and yellow tones. The person is in mid-stride, moving from left to right. The title text is overlaid on the image.

# THE GOSPEL OF BELIEF

STUDIES IN JOHN  
PART 2



# The Promise of Power

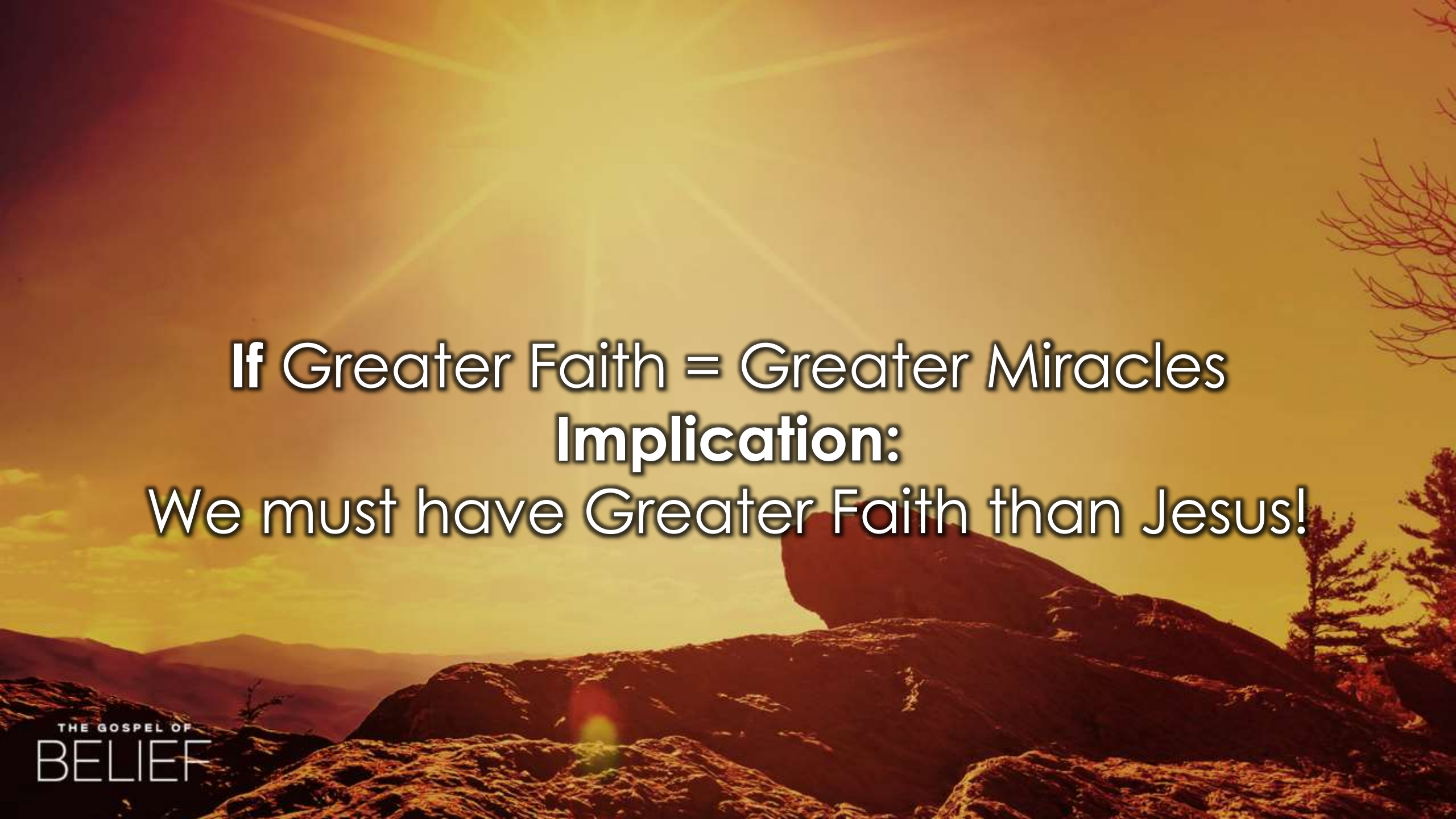
## Wrong Interpretation:

*We will do greater Miracles than Jesus*



# Purpose of Miracles

*Confirm the Truthfulness of the Gospel*



**If Greater Faith = Greater Miracles**  
**Implication:**  
**We must have Greater Faith than Jesus!**



**Right Interpretation:**

*Extent of Church's ministry will be greater than Jesus'*

# Spiritual Works

1. ...are always greater than physical works
2. ...are promised to all Christians
3. ...are works of the Holy Spirit



# The Promise of Prayer

## Wrong Interpretation:

*If we have enough faith we will get what we ask for*



**Right Interpretation:**

*When we pray in Jesus name & God gets the glory we will receive what we ask for*

# We must pray in the **Right Name**

**1 John 5:14-15**

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,  
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.  
And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask,  
we know that we have the requests that we have  
asked of him

# 3 Ways we Pray in our name

1. When God's will ALWAYS matches our own will
2. When we believe: "I did \_\_\_\_\_ so God must do \_\_\_\_\_"
3. When we think God owes us

A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture, resting on an open Bible. The hands are positioned in the upper center of the frame, with fingers interlaced. The Bible is open, showing text on its pages, and is placed on a wooden surface. The lighting is warm and focused on the hands and the text of the Bible, creating a solemn and contemplative atmosphere. The background is dark and out of focus.

# We must pray with **Right Motives**

**James 4:3**

You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly,  
to spend it on your passions.

# 3 Ways we Pray with Wrong Motives

1. We think prayer is about getting something from God
2. We think prayer is a transaction and not a relationship
3. We think God doesn't answer our prayers

A person in a dark, rocky landscape looking up at a bright light source. The scene is dimly lit, with a large, bright light source in the background, possibly the sun or moon, creating a strong backlight effect. The person is standing in the center, looking upwards. The landscape is rugged with large rocks and sparse vegetation. The overall mood is contemplative and dramatic.

Matthew 26:42

Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed,  
“My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will  
be done.”



God's Works  
God's Will  
**God's *Glory***