

*Wednesday, December 15, 2004*

*Scripture Reading:* John 10:24-30

*Text for Today:* Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father's name speak for me, but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. I and the Father are one." John 10:25, 26, 30.

Recently I have been updating my photo albums. These are largely pictures given to me from family or friends. Many are from my children that keep me informed of their activities or the growth of my grandchildren.

One stack of pictures tells an account of the day by day adventure I enjoyed with my sibs on a trip through the mountains, the desert to the beaches of California. That trip was finding one miracle after another.

This project of sorting and dating and preserving these photos has become my testimony to expect a miracle. They reveal to me the many miracles in my life. Deciding on schools, selecting a vocation, finding the perfect mate, beginning a family and being blessed with good health and fortune are indeed unexpected miracles. Gradually I have adapted a life style with an attitude of "no worry." These unexpected miracles have provided me with the present attitude to expect miracles. As I have aged I don't think of my blessings as unexpected miracles, but as the foundation to expect miracles.

These miracles prove my belief in God's constant protection and guidance. As I add photos to my albums I give praise and thanks to our Lord, as I know my belief in Him is full of many miracles. As the scripture reads: He is my Lord. He is my shepherd. I belong to Him. I know I can always "Expect a Miracle."

Prayer: Heavenly Father, You are the giver of the perfect gift – eternal life. Thank you for my day by day, year by year protection and guidance you have given me. These are the little miracles that lead me to the greatest miracle – eternal life. Thank you for the constant shower of blessings that assure me to expect this miracle of eternal life. Amen.

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