

why do stupid people testify to miracles?

A miracle is what is not naturally possible. It is a supernatural occurrence. It is paranormal. Christianity stresses miracles as signs of God's love and care.

Suppose miracles are signs from God to indicate his presence and his true doctrines. It is only those who already believe that will take them as signs.

It follows then that an apparition or healing can only take place when the person already believes in God and has based that belief on rational grounds. So only educated intelligent believing people would be getting them. But the pattern is that they nearly always happen to simple and badly educated people or people who are not versed in the evidences for God.

Some religions claim to be based on evidence. Some say that the miracle will take place to verify the evidence even if there is no need for the evidence is strong enough.

Suppose an apparition comes from Heaven to urge us to believe in God. When the evidence for God is good enough, the apparition should only be believed because of the evidence for God. So the apparition is not evidence for God for the evidence for God has to test it but it draws attention to the evidence for God. This means that an apparition or healing that fails to stress the evidences for God and teaches them is not from God. If supernatural at all it is the work of demons.

It seems there would be no need for the apparition if we have the evidences. True but if there is no other way to get our attention focused on the evidences the apparition will have to happen to teach us. But then groups would be able to force God to send apparitions when they know nothing of the evidences or where to look for them. If apparitions were real they would be all over the place or God would tell us the proofs in dreams leaving us unsure if they were miraculous or not because the subconscious mind can do things like that. Why do an obvious miracle when you could do that? Those miracles then are wastes of power. They are showing off. This disproves God for a perfect God doesn't show off.

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