

A Pocketful of Miracles: Siddhis Revisited

Everyone likes miracles and magic. There is a certain child-like fascination with doing incredible and fantastic things. But what we can do in imagination and fantasy, alas, we cannot do in our normal lives.

In this webinar, we are going to take a closer look at miracles and supernatural powers. We are going to tease out what is a genuine miracle, how spiritual powers operate, and how they exert their effects.

Criteria for Miracles

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Miracles are reported by believers of sundry sects, and are often attributed to Divine agency; or the superhuman potency of their spiritual Master, Spirit, or prophet: when miracles are critically examined, however, many of them can be explained by identifiable non-miraculous criteria. For something to be genuinely miraculous, it:

1. Must not be explained by the operation of known physics or natural laws
2. Must not be explained by behavior within the known competency of an individual using rational problem solving
3. Must not be explainable by a statistically unlikely, but possible outcome, e.g., the uncommon coincidence or the apparent successful guessing of cards by a psychic subject beyond chance.
4. Must not be due to the mistaken attribution of someone witnessing the act, e.g., the New Guinea native believing a transistor radio is miraculous
5. Must not be explainable by deliberate attempts to shape perception; such as optical illusions or the sleight of hand of stage magicians
6. Must not be explainable as the result of suggestion, e.g., hypnosis or placebo effect

7. Must not be explainable by technological artifice, e.g., computer animation, or photographic, video, graphic design, or lighting effects

For faithful believers, miraculous acts occur when

- 1) Their prayers are answered
- 2) Loved ones are healed
- 3) They achieve success despite obstacles
- 4) Someone for whom they were praying converts to the faith and changes their character
- 5) A demonstration of Divine Power appears to defy known physical laws, e.g., Jesus multiplying the loaves and fishes to feed the multitude.
- 6) When human beings receive a visitation from the Supernal: UFOs, angels, visions of Mother Mary
- 7) When that which was believed to be impossible is achieved, and this achievement is marked by a series of serendipitous coincidences that could not have been predicted—giving the impression an unseen hand was at work

With the exception of (5) and (6), many of the so-called miracles may not fit the criteria for a genuine, uncontestable supernatural phenomenon. It is for this reason that the empirically based, rational, analytical, and scientifically trained mind will look for other explanations other than supernatural intervention when strange things occur.

What is miraculous to the heart may not be so to the brain; the heart finds faith in such occurrences, while the brain finds doubt and seeks rationale explanations.

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When we examine the ethers of human operation, we find the three bands of science, occultism, and mysticism. These are shown below:

Who Uses the Method	Level (Gross)	Methods of Accessing (Physical)	
Current Knowledge and Technology of Science	<i>Physical Manifestation</i>	<i>Organic</i>	<i>Inorganic</i>
	Cells	Pharmaceutical drugs, herbs, nutrition	Radiation, ultrasound
	Molecules or genes	Pharmaceutical drugs, herbs, nutrition	Radiation, lasers
	Atoms	Pharmaceutical drugs, herbs, nutrition	Radiation, nanotechnology
	Subatomic field	Some sources claim to access this level by crystals and "charged objects"	Electromagnetism, nanotechnology, nuclear acceleration
	Information Ether	Hypnosis, education, therapy	Computer technology, wireless



	Level (Subtle)	Methods of Accessing (Subtle)
Occultism and New Age Practices	Resonant ether	The energy of sacred places, crop circles, Radiative healing technology (Radionics)
	Life force ether	Direction of healing energy by laying on of hands or visualization
	Attraction ether	* “The Secret”- Law of Attraction
	Thought form ether	Building thought forms
	Character/Volitional ether	*Transformation of a person’s life and character, source of personal will
	Archetypal ether	* Invocation of gods and goddesses
Mysticism	Spiritual heart	* Source of essential faith
	Ensouling Entity/Higher Volitional matrix	* Source of so-called Siddhis

Items marked with an asterisk (*) are generally associated with miracles. These are either:

- Self-generated, which uses suggestion, affirmation, intention, or volition
- Other-generated, which uses invocation of an efficacious and gracious spiritual source that is capable of using its powers in response to prayer or supplication.

It is important for those who have interest in developing their innate spiritual gifts have a clear understanding of what is a genuine miracle and what is artifice and trickery. It will also be beneficial for those who would become miracle workers to truly understand the levels of the Great Continuum of Consciousness, and to discern what is possible at each level of being.

Substrate of the Siddhis: On the Possibilities of Miracles

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When we consider the substrate of the siddhis or supernormal powers wielded by the Yogis and saints of sundry faiths, it appears that these powers are vortices in the Superconscious mind that are activated by a higher octave of the will. Several precursors appear in consciousness before the actual powers dawn. These precursors include:

- (1) The ability to imagine performing the powers, using the faculty of visualization
- (2) Encountering a myth or legend about supernormal powers depicted in consciousness during meditation
- (3) Beholding the Siddhi Yantras of the Occult Mystery Schools, which are activated by the Magical Will octave of the Soul during its sojourn through the Lower Astral Plane—only those selected to be students of the Occult Adepts are given access to these powers.
- (4) Beholding the Siddhi Yantras of the Soul or Atmic Plane, which are activated by the Transpersonal octave of will when the Soul takes the Fifth Planetary Initiation
- (5) Beholding the Siddhi Yantras of the Cosmic Astral, Cosmic Causal, and Cosmic Ideational Planes of the First Cosmic Initiation, which are activated by the Cosmic octave of the will
- (6) Beholding the Siddhi Yantras of a Supracosmic Path, which are activated by the Supracosmic octave of the will—either channeled through the Supracosmic Seed Atom of that Path, or stirred into motion by the Supracosmic Soul
- (7) Beholding the Siddhi Yantras upon a Transcendental Path, which are activated either by the spirit of that Path or its ensouling entity

(8) Uniting on the Bridge Path with the switchboard of the higher octaves of the will, which are seen to emerge from the current of the Alaya; this station permits the activation of the Siddhi Yantras at levels (3) to (7)—an Adept established in this state can bestow powers on others by activating a selected Siddhi Yantra

Many seekers first encounter the legends of the spiritual powers by reading about saints and Masters of different faiths, who demonstrate these powers. These miraculous powers spark these seekers' curiosity and desire to likewise acquire these powers. This quest for powers has led many seekers to those spiritual paths that dramatically portray the supernormal abilities of their Adepts.

Most seekers do not go beyond the imagination about powers. A few may find the depiction of powers in the myths that appear upon their path in mediation. These seekers typically feel cheated and betrayed: they were promised powers, so where are they?

The location of the powers can be found in the Siddhi Yantras that nest upon the track of the will (Ichaichashakti) in the Subtle, Planetary, Cosmic, Supracosmic, and Transcendental bands of the Continuum. These powers are subject to activation by the ensouling entity; it does not necessarily activate them, even though it may cross the level where they dwell.

When they are activated, a few of these powers may be connected with the brain so that they can be stirred into activity in the waking state by asking or praying that the power be made manifest. *This is termed a gift or genius.*

These powers may also be activated through the Subconscious mind, which limits their expression to states of dream, hypnotic trance, or deep meditation.

These powers may also be channeled through the attentional principle or the spirit. This type is called attunement; these powers are typically used in spiritual ministry.

When the ensouling entity selects these powers to activate them, their expression is typically effortless and natural. They simply become part of the meditator's armamentarium of abilities, and are not sensed to be anything out of the ordinary.

Powers are added to the ensouling entity as part of its spiritual growth, as required to fulfill its purpose and carry out its ministry and service to other living beings. Those powers that do not fit into this Plan are not added; those that do fit into it are added.

Seekers often glamorize powers. They think that they will be able to do all kinds of supernatural things, like a superman or superwoman. They imagine that people will admire them and worship them because of their powers, or that they will be able to attract many followers because they have these powers. Those Adepts who genuinely have these powers rarely demonstrate them in the presence of others; they rather do their ministry in secret and avoid stirring up the hornets' nest of fascination, jealousy, and gossip that witnessing these powers brings out in others.

Seekers need to know that the miraculous powers are real. They also need to know that seeking spiritual growth with an aim to gain these powers is often fruitless; if one goes into the practice of meditation with the aim to be of service, one finds that the powers come spontaneously and naturally, like breathing out and breathing in.

Siddhis: The Anatomy of Miracles

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This article will give a brief exposition about how miracles operate from the inner Planes. For miracles to manifest, the ensouling entity must gain union with the vortex of the spiritual power, which we term the Siddhi Yantra. There are three types of union through which the Soul interfaces with the Siddhi Yantra: (1) Noetic Union, (2) Psychological Union, and (3) Direct Union.

- (1) In *Noetic Union*, the Soul remains detached from the spiritual power, but can choose to activate it. In this case, the Soul's Will is anchored in the vortex of the power, and it controls how and when the power will be manifest. Here the Soul interfaces with the power from the Soul Plane, and either permits or denies access to the power.

The Soul can allow the power to operate either through the Superconscious mind via attunement with the attentional principle; through the Subconscious mind during trance, when attention is in the astral body; or as a gift, where the ability is anchored through the Self into the physical brain.

- (2) In *Psychological Union*, one of the Soul's inner vehicles is attuned to the power. Through this inner vehicle, the Soul gains intuitive understanding of how the power operates, and anchors intelligence into the vortex of this power. In this alignment, the Soul operates from the Buddhic Plane, interfacing with the power through its Illumined Mind.

Intelligence functions to focalize that power onto certain Planes; it acts as a filter to modify the energy of the Will and direct it selectively. This type of alignment is commonly used when you are using the power to work out an issue in the unconscious mind in your karmic matrix, or when you are accessing the power through an evocative technique such as reflective meditation, Agni Yoga, or process meditation.

- (3) In *Direct Union*, one of the Soul's inner vehicles is attuned with the power through an octave of the will anchored in that vehicle and the vortex of power. Direct Union access to spiritual powers typically occurs when a nucleus of identity is unfolded out of alignment with the Soul's axis of being. In this alignment, the power is encountered on the Causal or Mental Plane.

When you use the power in this scenario, you experience the ability to activate the power though your conscious wishes. This type of power is normally controlled by the Soul's Will and guided by the Soul's Intelligence; in balanced spiritual development, Noetic and Psychological Union precede and overshadow Direct Union to ensure the power is used appropriately and judiciously. If you split off a nucleus of identity from the Soul, however, you become identified with that nucleus of identity and directly access the power from the Plane on which it dwells, outside of your Soul's control and guidance.



Octaves of the Soul's Will

In the table below, we list the eight channels of the Soul's Will, when this higher volitional faculty is directed from the Soul Plane from the platform of Noetic Union.

Channel	Level of the Mind	Active Agent	Type of Access	Status
8	Superconscious mind	Attentional Principle	Attunement	Continuous ON
7				Intermittent ON
6				OFF
5	Subconscious Mind	Attention in Astral Body	Trance	Continuous ON
4				Intermittent ON
3				OFF
2	Metaconscious or Conscious mind	Personal Volition	Gift	Continuous ON
1				OFF

A gift is either continuously on or turned off. Here your Conscious mind becomes a conduit of the power, but you must ask that the power be utilized. Your Soul has the ability to grant or deny permission for the use of the power, depending on the circumstance in which you request to use it.

For example, if you have been given the gift of reading auras (a power that is anchored in your vehicle upon the Psychic Realm), you might ask that this power be opened to you if you are doing a psychic reading—in which case, the Soul would allow you to access it.

This power might be denied to you, however, if you wanted to read someone's aura with an aim to manipulate or cheat him through using your "secret knowledge" of his motivations.

“Intermittent” activation of a power occurs when the Soul is selectively filtering the use of the power through intelligence. For example, the Soul might be making an attunement with your attentional principle, but only allows you to use the power to work with certain individuals, but not others. So if you were asked to use your healing ability in a group of people, you may be allowed to use this attunement with certain people, but not others. Here the Soul is selectively filtering or using criteria as to which individuals should receive your attunement.

“Continuous” activation of a power means that it is always available to the active agency your Soul has chosen to channel the power. So if you have been empowered to give an initiatory attunement, you can use this power anytime—subject to the Soul’s permission.

The “off” setting of any power means that the Soul can (a) actively shut down the power, if it is being used inappropriately, or (b) the Soul may not elect to activate that power, leaving its Siddhi Yantra dormant in the matrix of the Superconscious mind.

Intelligence filters the “continuous on” setting of the will through nine channels, which are shown in the table below:

How Will is attuned	What it does	Level
Other Souls	Channels Initiation or Buddhic Illumination	Soul Plane and Buddhic Plane
Your spirit or other people’s spirits	Channels guidance and comfort; manifests guide form	Nadamic track
The Causal Mental Matrix	Activates the octaves of the mind and creates seed thoughts in the Formless World	Manasic Plane

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How Will is attuned	What it does	Level
The Ideational Matrix	Creates an inspired idea that magnetizes the Mighty I AM Presence	Solar Angelic Plane
The Astral Matrix	Activates thought forms that embody desires and dreams, stimulates hope that these dreams can be fulfilled, and brings the conviction that they will be fulfilled (faith)	Moon Soul Plane
The Imaginal Matrix	Activates the power of creation though anchoring an image of a desired object into the Astral Plenum, coupled with active suggestion or affirmation that the desire will be fulfilled	Psychic Realm and Abstract Mind Plane
The Lifetronic Matrix	Activates the Soul's powers of healing, purification, regeneration, and awakening of the energy of awareness (Kundalini Shakti)	Soul's etheric body
The Subatomic Matrix	Activates the resonance pattern substanding material form	Subplane of Etheria on the Biophysical Universe
The Physical Matrix	Activates the action of the personality and the body, giving rise to action, speech, and thought	Metaconscious, Subconscious, and Conscious mind



How Miracles Occur

The miracles that demonstrate powers over matter—such as levitation, materialization of objects from the ether, walking on water, flying, manifesting more than one body, and other superhuman feats described in the world’s scriptures—appear to arise from the interface between the Soul and the Subatomic matrix.

The miracles that demonstrate power over life—such as miraculous healing, rejuvenation, restoring sight or hearing, or resurrection of a dead body—appear to arise from the Soul’s abilities on the Lifetronic Ether.

Activation of either the Astral or the Imaginal Matrix can produce the fulfillment of prayers and dreams—and bring about the seemingly miraculous personal “transformations” to which the followers of sundry self-help, holistic healing, New Age, spiritualist, and religious sects attest and attribute to their belief system and practices.

Miracles over matter and life appear to be more common in those spiritual groups that activate a nucleus of identity, identify with it, and move it out of alignment with the axis of being, as there are more references to miracles in the scriptures and oral traditions of these groups. These groups typically produce the Direct Union type of alignment, which places fewer barriers or filters upon the activation of a spiritual power, as it is not overshadowed by the Soul’s will or modified by intelligence.

These types of miracles that arise from Direct Union initiate an impulse that activates the Subatomic or Lifetronic Matrix directly. The “miracle worker” of Direct Union sets up a resonance pattern, magnetizes a result through intention or visualization, and his results are immediately manifested in matter.

The miraculous powers of Direct Union can be awakened through

1. Using bija mantras that unfold nuclei of identity
2. Invocation of gods and goddesses that bestow powers

3. Deep concentration that awakens nuclei of identity in the higher octaves of being in which these powers are imbedded.

These levels of the mind are beyond or above the Soul's station on the path, so the Soul's will does not control these powers and its wisdom cannot modify or channel their use.

To control these powers, the ensouling must evolve to the stage on the Path where the power is embedded. Without bringing the Siddhi Yantra under the aegis of the Soul's will, these powers may produce unintended consequences that can create entrapment for the "miracle worker." We suggest it is better to focus on the spiritual evolution of the ensouling entity, and the powers that arise in its wake will be used for service and ministry to other living beings, in alignment with the Soul's purpose, and guided by wisdom.



- Have you ever experienced a miracle? To what do attribute it?
- Have you ever generated an apparent miracle by using visualization, affirmation, or intention?
- Have you ever experienced a miracle as a result of invoking a spiritual being?
- If you sense you have developed spiritual powers or siddhis, at what levels do they operate?
- Do you find yourself desiring spiritual powers? Which ones? Why do you desire them?

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