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The gospel according to John

**Wonderbread.**

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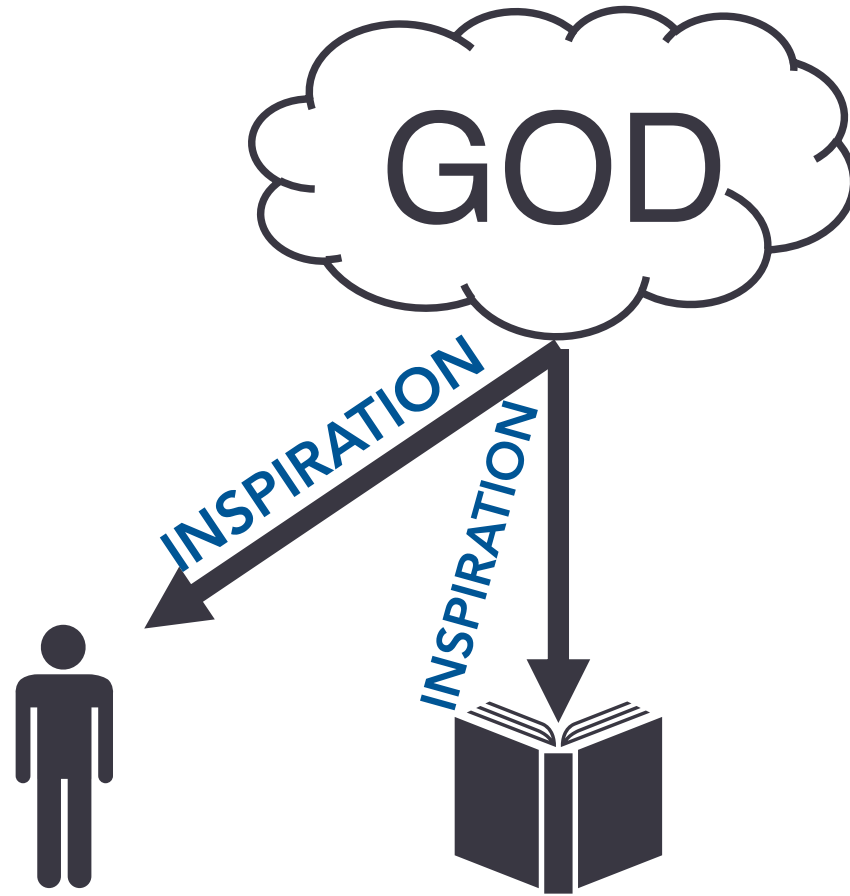


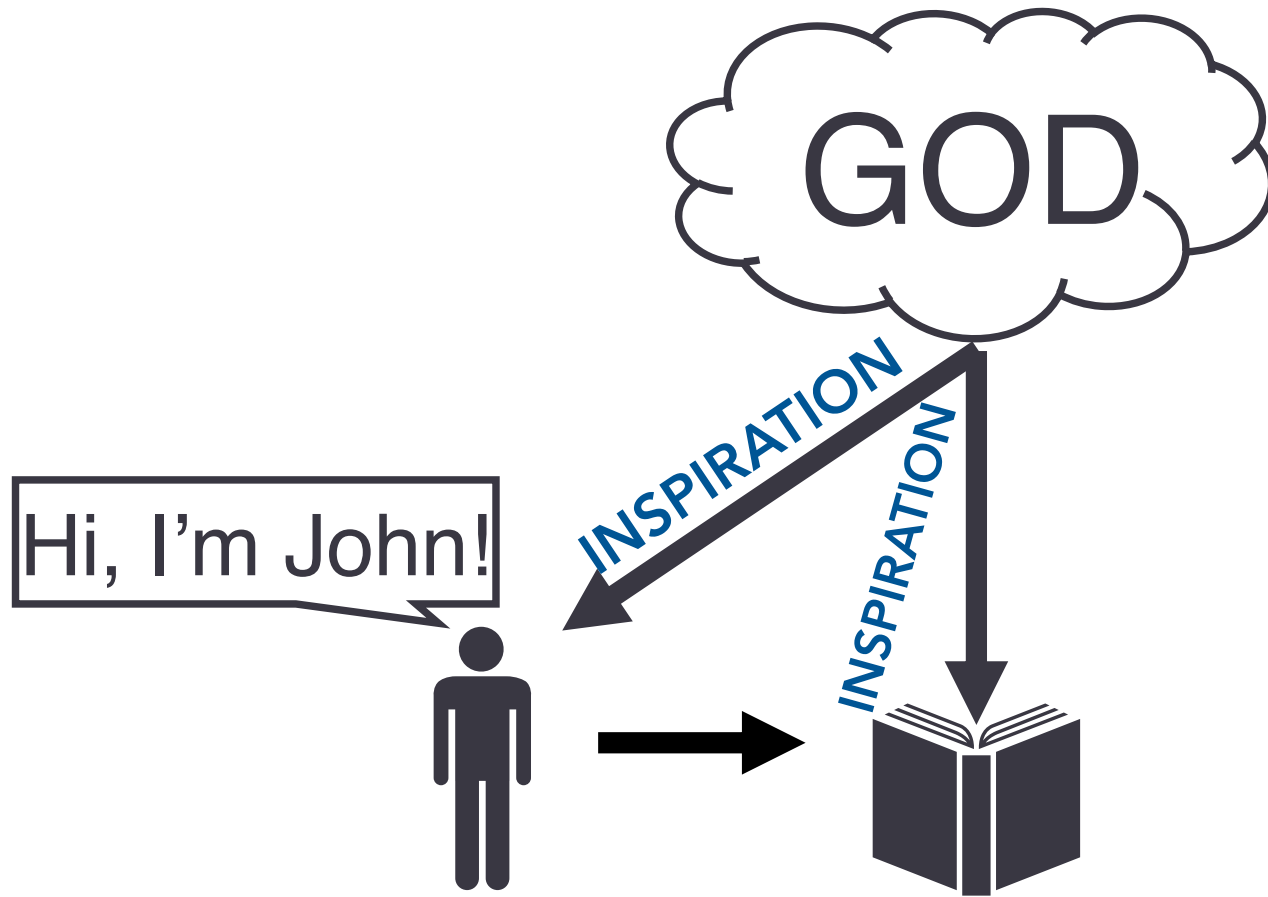


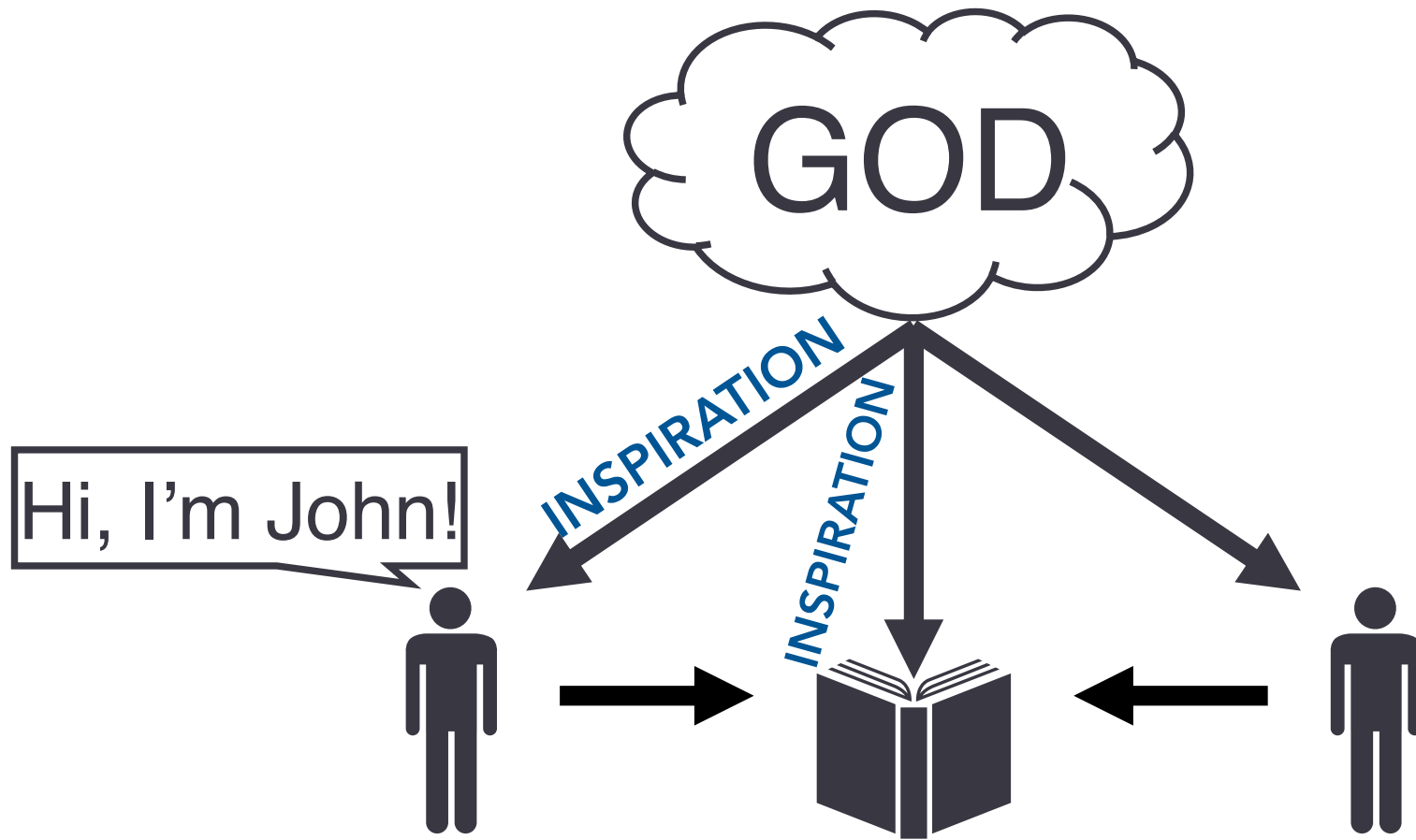


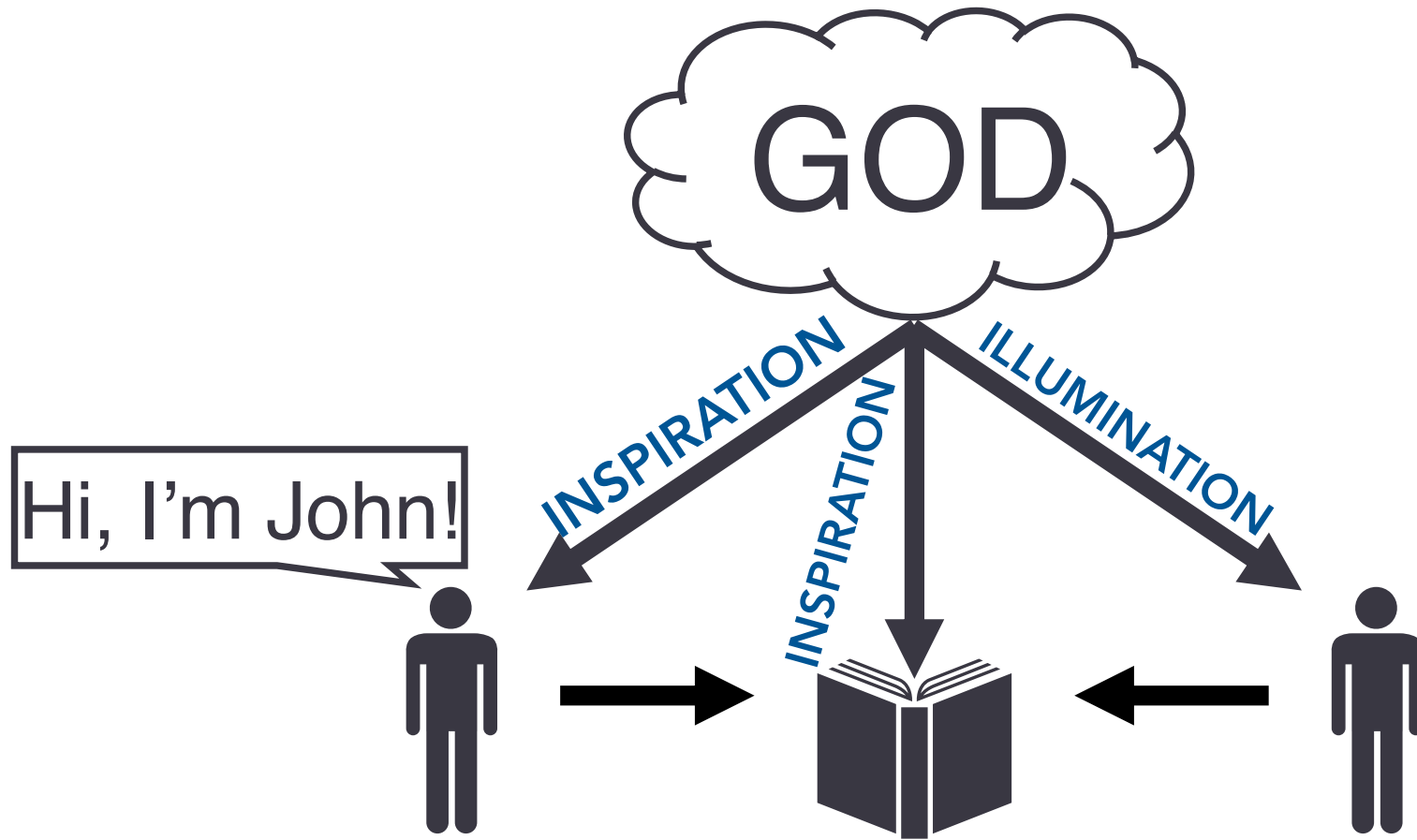




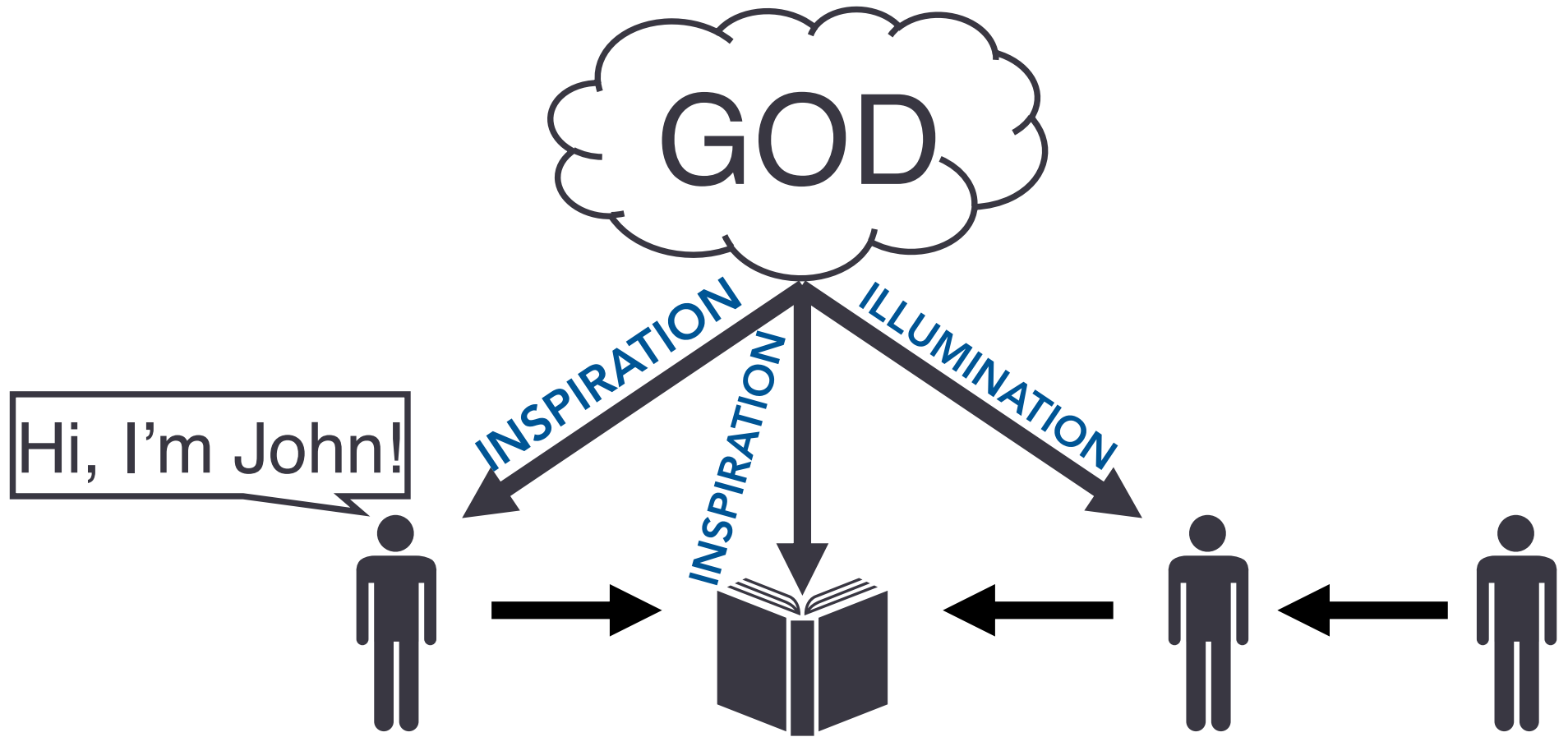












**“What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.”**

**-A.W. Tozer**



## 7 signs in the gospel of John

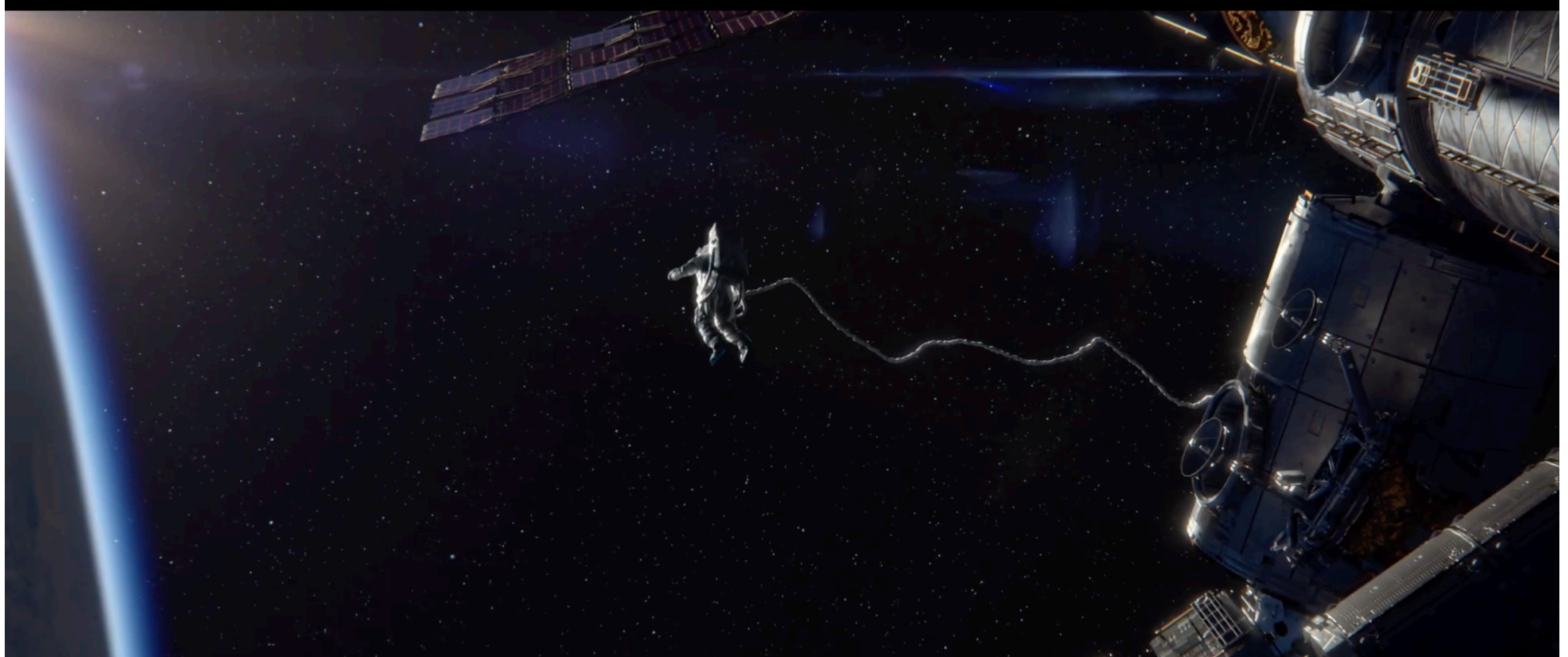
- Turning water into wine in Cana
- Healing an official's son in Capernaum
- Healing at the Pool in Jerusalem
- **Feeding the 5,000 near the Sea of Galilee**
- Walking on the water of the Sea of Galilee
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# Feed Your Joy

SPREAD THE WONDER 



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## BIG IDEA

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Jesus again demonstrates a point thru an awe-inspiring miracle, that he is able to provide abundantly more bread than is needed, but more than that, comes to provide Himself as the bread we crave.



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**“How are we going to handle this?”**  
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## Mark 6:35-36

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## Matthew 14:14-15

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# What is a miracle?

A miracle is God moving in an extraordinary way, beyond His ordinary activity, to cause us to be amazed and fascinated with who He is, to confirm the reality of spiritual life.



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