



THE HEALING WORD OF  
GOD

## Our Healing Is God's Will

Total health is God's will for our human family. We learn from Matthew that the mission of Jesus was to heal all our infirmities....

*"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaiah the prophet, saying, Himself (the Messiah) took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses."*

Matthew 8:17

Jesus healed all that came to him. Jesus brought hope to the mind, healing to the body, peace and joy to the soul...and love and acceptance as our heart's greatest need. He has fulfilled all of our human needs for total health and healing. His grace and mercy are as real today as they were two thousand years ago.

On occasion our bodies need to be healed. On occasion our minds need to be healed. On occasion our hearts need to be healed. On occasion our souls need to be healed. In each of these areas of our life God has invited us to

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."

1 Peter 5:6-7 (KJV)

## Our Greatest Enemy To Health and Happiness

*(Words of Jesus) "The thief (satan) cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."*

John 10:10 (KJV)

We have a spiritual enemy who uses every tool at his disposal to kill us, to destroy us, to steal away our happiness, health and life with God. This enemy will use sickness, affliction, disease, pain and suffering in his warfare for our soul. In contrast, we have a spiritual companion who desires the very best for us and will use his powers to help us conquer all that satan brings to us.

The stories of Job and Paul's "thorn in the flesh" illustrate the warfare in human life between God and satan. While God allows satan some access to our lives ... never will God allow satan to use anything against us that we cannot defeat with God's help. Paul said it this way ...

*"There hath no temptation (evil test) taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted (tested) above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."*

1 Corinthians 10:13 (KJV)

*"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."*  
Romans 8:35-39 (KJV)

In understanding Divine healing we need to look at what disease and illness are, what health and healing are .... and the Biblical advice to receive God's healing when needed.

One thing we must resolve ... God is not honor bound to perform a miracle or to intervene in our behalf just because we pray a certain way. His wisdom and love goes far beyond our understanding. He knows what is best for us, and our eternal salvation is more important to Him than any temporal blessings.

There are times in His wisdom that our healing or deliverance will be delayed. There will be times when our healing or deliverance does not come in a way that we expect it should. But in every instance of sickness, disease or affliction...our welfare and happiness are God's primary concerns. He will never allow us to go through anything but what we cannot overcome.

This is not a theory to justify any suggestion that God does not intervene in behalf of His people ... for He does on many, many occasions in a miraculous way. Divine healing is not just a speculative dream, it is a potential reality.

## **REASONS WHY PEOPLE ARE SOMETIMES NOT HEALED**

Beyond the fact that God has a higher purpose for not healing us immediately or in the way we feel He should ... there are other reasons why we may not be healed. The reasons are self evident and are listed for your thinking ...

1. Lack or wavering of faith
2. Inward sin
3. Tempting God
4. Disobedience
5. Not God's will
6. Time on earth is fulfilled

## **THE PROCESS FOR DIVINE HEALING**

The Bible provides certain guidelines for invoking and receiving God's intervention for our healing. They can be summarized as follows...

### **Remove All Hindrances**

Don't listen to the critical crowd who would suggest to you that you must accept your situation to live with it despite how painful it might be.

Don't give in to settle for life's circumstance or situation as your "cross to bear". Don't view your problem as an impossible circumstance. Remember, all things are possible with God.

### **Look and Listen to Jesus**

The words and deeds of Jesus reveal God's will and capacity for your healing. Jesus healed everyone who came to him. He has the capacity to heal any and every situation, whether it be physical, mental, social or spiritual. He gave us a plan whereby we may be healed.

### **Call Upon God in Prayer**

First, make certain your request is specific to let God know what you desire for Him to do. Be sincere in your prayer, desiring total deliverance and healing. Surprisingly, some people enjoy sickness because of the attention they receive.

Tell others exactly what you are praying for so that they may agree with in prayer to God. When two on earth agree as touching any one thing it shall be done for them.

### **Put Forth An Effort**

God expects us to help ourselves in the process of Divine healing ... to become His partner. In doing so the first thing we are advised to do is to confess our faults ....

*"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."*

James 5:16 (KJV)

Second, we are to overcome opposition to our healing. Satan will chide with us, mock us, deride us for believing that God actually will heal. We will be tested by satan's symptoms of the disease even after we are healed. He will try to disrupt our healing by causing us to think we are not when actually we have been.

Third, give thanks for your healing. God is well pleased with those who recognize His goodness in intervening in our behalf. Jesus on one occasion healed several blind men, but only one returned to give him thanks.

Finally, share your testimony with others of your healing. Let them become aware of how God has intervened in your behalf.

### DO'S and DON'TS

Finally, let us remind ourselves of some things we should be doing and things we should avoid for our health and healing....

1. Don't blame God for illness
2. Don't feel sorry for yourself
3. Don't practice worrying about health
4. Don't be embarrassed to ask elders for prayer
5. Do put trust in God
6. Do lots of praying
7. Do rid yourself of all things that cause health problems
8. Do think positively

### The WORD

Remember, death has no power over the believer anyway. You must grab on for dear life to these Words of God! Read them over and over again. **SPEAK THESE WORDS, OUT LOUD, OR AT LEAST UNDER YOUR BREATH.** There is something powerful about audibly speaking God's Word! *"Death and LIFE are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."* (Proverbs 18:21)

Believe these Scriptures that you will find throughout this page. They will not fail you if you obey God and trust. Remember, though, that you need to ask God to release HIS Holy Spirit to anoint the Word of God. It takes the Spirit of God and the Word working together. Don't leave the Holy Spirit out!! Ask and thank the Lord for anointing these Scriptures with the Holy Spirit. Ask the Lord to help you acknowledge the Comforter.

God's Word tells us that the Word itself is a seed that can bring life and health to your whole being. *"My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are LIFE unto those that find them, and HEALTH to all their flesh. Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."* (Proverbs 4:20-23)

*"He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions." (Psalm 107:20) "I am the Lord that healeth thee" (Exodus 15:26) "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" (Num. 23:19) "There hath not failed one word of all His good promise." (1st Kings 8:56) "For ever O, Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." (Psalm 119:89) "I will HASTEN \*MY\* Word to perform it." (Jeremiah 1:12)*

God Almighty declared Himself to be the Healer of His people with these words: *"I am the Lord that healeth thee."* He spoke those words to over a million people (Ex. 12:37). God's people, during the Exodus, believed God's words were true. The result: Every one of them who needed healing was made well!

How do we know that?? The answer is in Psalm 105:37, where we are told *"He (God) brought them forth...and there was not one feeble person among their tribes...."*

Nobody limped out of Egypt!! Nobody was carried on a stretcher! The Lord healed them, perhaps on Passover night! Moses was inspired to write: *"If you pay attention to these laws and are careful to follow them, then the Lord your God will keep his covenant of love with you,... The Lord will keep you free from EVERY DISEASE. He will not inflict on you the horrible diseases you knew in Egypt, but he will inflict them on all who*

*hate you."* (Deuteronomy 7:12,15 NIV) *"But you shall serve the Lord your God, and He will bless your bread and your water; and I will remove sickness from your midst."* (Exodus 23:25 NASB) If that was true in Israel, under the Law, should it not be much more true for you, who have been redeemed by the blood of God's Lamb and are living under grace, mercy, and truth?

*"He (Jesus) welcomed them (the crowds) and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed healing."* (Luke 9:11b)

*"Lo, I come, to do thy will, O God." (Hebrews 10:7) "I (Jesus) came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." (John 6:38) The Leper of Mark 1:40 said: "If you are willing, you can make me clean." Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said, "Be clean!"*

*"Is ANYONE among you sick? Let him call for the elders (saintly leaders) of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer offered in faith WILL restore the one who is sick, and the Lord WILL raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they WILL be forgiven him. Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much." (James 5:14-16)*

*"Great multitudes followed him (Jesus), and he healed them ALL." (Matthew 12:15)*

*"As many as touched (HIM) were made perfectly whole." (Matthew 14:36)*

*"The whole multitude sought to touch him; (and He) healed them ALL." (Luke 6:19)*

*"...and He...healed ALL that were sick: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, Himself took OUR infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." (Matthew 8:16-17)*

*"Jesus Christ THE SAME yesterday, and to day, and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8)*

*God says, "MY covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips." (Psalms 89:34)*

*"O Lord my God, I called to YOU for help and YOU healed me. O Lord, you brought me up from the grave; you spared me from going down into the pit. Psalm 30:2,3*

*"For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the afflicted ones with SALVATION." (Psalm 149:4 NASB)*

The writers of the Bible did not write in English. English hadn't even been invented back then. And so in certain places in the Bible the original word we translate into English as "salvation" is the same word which we also translate into English as the word "healing!!!" He can "save" and/or "heal" both the body and the spirit!

*"Heal me, O Lord, and I WILL BE HEALED; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise." Jeremiah 17:14*

*"When the sun was setting, ALL they that had ANY sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on EVERY ONE OF THEM and HEALED THEM." (Luke 4:40)*

*Jesus said to His disciples, "When you enter a town... Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God is near you.'" (Luke 10:9) Sometimes we are to heal the sick before we are even to preach!*

*"Surely he (Jesus) took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows,...by his wounds we ARE healed." (Isaiah 53:4-5)*

*"Whatsoever you shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you." (John 16:23)*

*"What things soever you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them." (Mark 11:24) Healing is a thing, isn't it?*

The Lord not only wants to heal you of the big diseases, but he wants to heal you of the aches, the pains, the colds and the flu too! *"And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them." (Matthew 8:14-15)*

*"IF TWO OF YOU SHALL AGREE on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 18:19)*

One of God's names in the Old Testament Hebrew is Jehovah-Rapha. This is found in Exodus 15:26. HIS Name translates from the Hebrew: "GOD THE HEALER." HIS NAME IS "HEALER" BECAUSE HEALING IS IN HIS VERY NATURE. PRAISE THE LORD!

*"Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget none of His benefits; Who pardons ALL your iniquities; Who heals ALL your diseases; Who redeems your life from the pit; Who crowns you with lovingkindness and compassion; Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle." (Psalms 103:1-5) Brother, sister, getting*

your YOUTH RENEWED is healing, wouldn't you agree??

*"HE giveth power to the faint; and TO THEM that have no might HE increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But THEY THAT WAIT UPON THE LORD [minister to, wait upon, turn to, focus on, pray to, believe in] shall RENEW THEIR STRENGTH; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; THEY SHALL RUN, and not be weary; and THEY SHALL WALK, and not faint." (Isaiah 40:29-31) If you can RUN and not get tired and walk and not faint, isn't that healing???*

*"And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; FOR BY HIS WOUNDS YOU WERE HEALED." (1st Peter 2:24)* Notice "were" is past tense. From God's perspective you've already received healing...can't you believe for it to come into the present??

There is power in the Name of Jesus. "Jesus" you see is the living Name of God. God the Father is so fantastic that HIS name is a living person: Jesus Christ, of Nazareth, the alpha and omega.

The Father's breath is a living person too: The Holy Spirit. Now we can see that the Father must be so much greater than we ever thought. My name is a mark on a piece of paper and so is yours. But God the Father has a

living person, the Lord Jesus Christ, as His Name and the Holy Spirit as His breath. If His Name is a Person and His breath is a Person, how great the Father must be!

There is power in the Name of Jesus. Put a little olive oil on all of the hands of all the elders in the room. Read James 5:14-16 out loud. Lay the oil anointed hands on the sick. Pray for healing. Then do what Peter did to the lame man at the Gate called Beautiful. He gave healing in the Name of Jesus!

In fact healing is already granted and is already ours. We simply need to pray it into the **NOW** of our lives, into this space and time. We can therefore thank God for healing in advance. We know that it is His will to heal. We don't have to pray "thy will be done," on whether or not God wills healing, **BECAUSE THE WORD OF GOD CLEARLY REVEALS GOD'S WILL THROUGH JESUS TO HEAL ALL WHO ARE OPPRESSED BY THE DEVIL. "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and HEALING ALL that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."** (Acts 10:38)

Jesus even healed sinners! The man who had been crippled for 38 years, whom Jesus made whole, was told by Jesus to go and **"sin no more"** that nothing worse come upon him. [See John 5:14]

We "WERE" healed 2,000 years ago when Jesus took our diseases and bore them on the cross and took the lash, the stripes for our healing. The Scripture says that by His stripes we "WERE" healed! (past tense) (1st Peter 2:24)

But, God may not have revealed to us, yet, His timing for the miracle to leap out of eternity and into the natural or the present space and time we are in. So we never give up. We simply thank and ask and seek and praise and believe, **EXPECTING** the miracle!

We continuously speak against the disease. We **CONTRADICT** the disease. We speak life over ourselves, in the Name of Jesus. We say "no" to disease. We say, "I resist you, you foul sickness. I do not receive you! I reject you. I repudiate you! I rebuke you, you wicked spirit of infirmity! Be gone! Satan, I renounce you and ALL of your works and ALL of your ways, in Jesus name! I pray the hedge of protection around my mind, and my body, and my spirit in Jesus Name! The blood of Jesus is upon me. I hold the blood of Jesus against this disease! I receive my healing this very moment from my Lord God, in Jesus precious Name! Thank you Father that you have healed me and made me whole!"

Everything we **SPEAK** is creative. That is why I refuse to say, "I'm **dying** for a drink of water." That is negative!! Instead I say, "I am **LIVING** for a drink of water!"

Even **MORE** what you say in the Name of Jesus is very powerful in deed! Continue to say out loud the scripture promises and to speak out loud your faith statements, the word of your testimony of healing. Such advice as I have given here might seem unscholarly, primitive, too simple, mechanical even. My friend, remember that the Bible was not inspired primarily for scholars, students and Sunday school teachers.

Our hope must rest on Scripture only and not on experience.

Scripture is clear. Even in Paul's story of the "thorn in the flesh" if you read the passage you see that nowhere does God refuse Paul healing. Instead the Lord reminds Paul that His "grace" or gift is sufficient. Paul is certainly healed in Heaven and the Lord's message to Paul was a "standby," not a "no." (See 2nd Corinthians 12:7-9)

Jesus is not recorded to have turned **ANYONE** away who sought healing. Jesus said that HE came *"that they might have life and have it more abundantly."* (John 10:10) He said, *"I AM the...life..."* itself. (John 14:6 and in John 11:25)

Even one who is as dead as Lazarus shall live. Lazarus had to wait until he had been dead in his own grave for four days before he received his healing. Can you imagine how extreme that is!!! That is the kind of faith

that God rewards. No wonder God was pleased with Job who exclaimed, *"Though HE slay me, yet will I trust in HIM..."* (Job 13:15]

The point is that healing is God's ultimate will for believers, no matter what. The working out of the healing, and the timing of the healing, in this life or the next, is up to God! But, we never have to beg for healing. We simply ask, thank and expect. If our expectation is delayed until eternity and the final resurrection, **so be it!**

Blessings and honor to Him who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we can ask or think.

**Father, we praise you for victory. Your Word said it would not return to you having not done what it was sent out to do. So, we stand on Your Word today with expectancy. Father, we praise you right now for the souls that will be saved by seeing your healing hand work in the life of our friend. Glory to the lamb that was slain to receive POWER! Amen**

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