

Health and Healing in the Bible

The Healing Power of God's Word



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- The Power of the Lord was present to heal THEM.
- Who?
- Everyone who was there, but specifically the Pharisees and Teachers of the law
- As far as we know, only one person got healed.
- Not one of the religious leaders got healed even though the power of the Lord was present to heal them.
- One group of people was reasoning and fault finding.
- The other group was believing.



The Same Power of the Lord is Still Present to Heal

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- ◆ Today, as I am teaching, the same Power of the Lord is present to Heal...
 - Who? Anyone and Everyone
 - What? Anything and Everything
 - Where? Right Here
 - When? Right Now
 - Why?
 - How can we know for sure?



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- Why is it pointed out that Jesus was teaching?
- Was the power of the Lord present to heal just because Jesus was present?
- OR...Is there a connection between teaching and the Healing Power of God?
- ♦ It's not just Who is teaching, but What was being taught.



Teaching-Healing Connection

Mark 6:1-6 (NKJV)

Then He went out from there and came to His own country, and His disciples followed Him. And when the Sabbath had come, He began to TEACH in the synagogue. And many hearing Him were astonished, saying, "Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" So they were offended at Him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house." Now He COULD do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, TEACHING.

- Mighty Works didn't take place just because Jesus was present.
- Why didn't he just leave town?
- Why did he stay and go around the villages TEACHING?
- Is there a connection between TEACHING and the Healing Power of God?



The Gospel of Christ

Romans 1:16 (NKJV)

For I am not ashamed of the GOSPEL of Christ, for IT is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes...

- What is IT?
- IT is the Gospel of Christ.
- What is the Gospel of Christ?

Romans 1:16 (NCV)

I am not ashamed of the Good News, because it is the power God uses to save everyone who believes...

- Why did he stay and go around the villages TEACHING?
- Because the Good News (of Christ) is the Power of God!
- ♦ Christ The Anointed One



The Power of God to Salvation

Romans 1:16 (NKJV)

For I am not ashamed of the GOSPEL of Christ, for IT is the Power of God to Salvation for everyone who believes...

- What is Salvation?
- ♦ Strong's Number: 4991 (Strong's Concordance)
- ◆ Transliterated Word Soteria
- ♦ Phonetic Spelling *so-tay-ree'-ah*
- Deliverance, Preservation, Safety, Salvation
- Also translated in the KJV as the word Health
- Deliverance from the molestation of enemies
- ♦ Molestation: An act of interference or violence against
- ♦ Sickness is one of your enemies.



How Powerful is the Gospel?

Philippians 1:15-18 (NKJV)

Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: ¹⁶ The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; ¹⁷ but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁸ What then? Only that in every way, whether in Pretense or in Truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

The important thing is that they are preaching about Christ. They should do it for the right reasons. **But I am happy even if they do it for wrong reasons.** And I will continue to be happy. (ICB)

- It's not just Who is teaching, but What is being taught.
- The religious leaders couldn't be healed because of fault-finding. Even though Jesus was the One teaching. (Luke 5)
- Jesus' homefolk couldn't be healed because they were offended IN HIM.



The Gospel According to Jesus

Luke 4: 18-19 (KJV)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath Anointed me to preach the GOSPEL to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

- Why did he stay and go around the villages TEACHING?
- ♦ Because the Good News (of Christ) is the Power of God!
- What did Jesus Teach and Preach?
- ♦ That He was Anointed to bring Healing and Deliverance
- This is the Gospel of Christ (The Anointed).
- Not just the Good News about Jesus, but the Good News that Jesus preached about Himself



The Gospel of the Anointed One

Matthew 9:35 (KJV)

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, **Teaching** in their synagogues, and **Preaching** the **Gospel** of the kingdom, and **Healing** every sickness and every disease among the people.

Acts 10:38 (NKJV)

how God Anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and Healing All who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

- Teaching and Preaching preceded Healing.
- The only ones Jesus didn't heal were the ones He couldn't.
- His healing power didn't work in his hometown.
- This is why He stayed and continued TEACHING.
- Because the Good News (of Christ) is the Power of God!
- His message of Good News was that the Spirit of the Lord was upon Him (He was Anointed) to Heal the sick.



Recognizing the True Gospel

1 Thessalonians 1:5 (NKJV)

For OUR Gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in Power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance,

When we brought the Good News to you, we came with more than words. We brought that Good News with Power, with the Holy Spirit, and with the sure knowledge that it was true. (ERV)

1 Corinthians 2:4 (KJV)

And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of Power:

- The Only True Gospel is the Gospel of Christ (The Anointed)
- And What was He Anointed with and Why?
- ◆ The Holy Spirit and Power to Heal (ALL) the sick
- Today the Same Gospel about the Same Jesus = the Same Healing Power!



Healing Follows the Gospel

Mark 16: 15-18 (KJV)

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the GOSPEL to every creature. ¹⁶ He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. ¹⁷ And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. ¹⁹ So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. ²⁰ And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming The Word with signs following. Amen.

 One of the signs following and confirming God's Word (the True Gospel) is Healing of the sick.



Another Gospel

Acts 10:38 (NKJV)

how God Anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and Healing All who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

Galatians 1:8-9 (NKJV)

But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach Any OTHER Gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. ⁹ As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches Any OTHER Gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.

- ◆ The Only True Gospel is the Gospel of Christ (The Anointed)
- And what was He Anointed to Do?
- ♦ Heal (ALL) the Sick



Hindering Religious Beliefs

Romans 1:16 (NKJV)

For I am not ashamed of the GOSPEL of Christ, for IT is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes...

- The Good News (of Christ) is the Healing Power of God.
- There is no Healing Power in bad news.
- There is no Healing Power in IF.
- You must KNOW the Truth to be made Free. (John 8:31-32)
- There is no Healing Power in "IF it be thy will" (Remember the Leper in Mark 1:40)
- Maybe God will Maybe He wont.
- Sometimes God does and sometimes He doesn't.
- The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away.
- God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform, etc.
- WSIT? What Scripture Is That?



Hindering Religious Beliefs

Sometimes God delays healing for a greater miracle (FALSE!)

John11:1-17 (NKJV)

Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. ² It was that Mary who anointed the Lord with fragrant oil and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. ³ Therefore the sisters sent to Him, saying, "Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick." 4 When Jesus heard that, He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶ So, when He heard that he was sick, **He stayed TWO MORE DAYS** in the place where He was. ⁷ Then after this He said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again."8 ... 11 These things He said, and after that He said to them, "Our friend Lazarus sleeps, but I go that I may wake him up. "12 Then His disciples said, "Lord, if he sleeps he will get well." ¹³ However, Jesus spoke of his death, but they thought that He was speaking about taking rest in sleep. 14 Then Jesus said to them plainly, "Lazarus is dead." ... 17 So when Jesus came, He found that he had already been in the tomb FOUR DAYS."



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- Sometimes God delays healing for a greater miracle (FALSE!)
- ♦ Jesus only waited two days yet when he arrived Lazarus had been in the tomb four days.
- ♦ Jesus did NOT delay the healing of Lazarus.
- ♦ There was no healing for Lazarus because he was dead.
- Lazarus was already dead by the time Jesus received the news.
- Jesus knew this and that's why he waited two more days.



No Such Thing as Spiritual Healing

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how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and **Healing All** who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

♦ How do we know this isn't "Spiritual" Healing?

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **NEW CREATION**; old things have passed away; behold, **all things have become NEW**.

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- There is no such thing as "Spiritual Healing."
- We didn't get remodeled, renovated, overhauled, whitewashed, tuned up, tweaked.
- We didn't get healed, we were born again. (John 3:7, 1 Peter 1:23)
- ♦ A Brand New Species of Being that never existed before
- ♦ The only ones Jesus didn't heal were the ones He couldn't.



The Gospel Truth

John 8:31-32 (KJV)

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in MY WORD, then are ye my disciples indeed; ³² And ye shall Know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you Free.

John 17: 17 (KJV)

Sanctify them through thy truth: Thy Word is Truth.

- The Word of God is the Gospel, and the Gospel is the Power of God (to Heal.)
- ♦ The Word of God is Truth, and the Truth is the Power to Make Free.
- But, You must KNOW the Truth to be made Free.
- ◆ This is why Jesus stayed and continued Teaching.



What You Don't Know WILL Hurt You

Hosea 4:6 (KJV)

My people are destroyed for lack of Knowledge:

Proverbs 11:9 (KJV)

through Knowledge shall the just be delivered.

2 Peter 1:3 (NKJV)

as His divine power **HAS** given to us **all things that pertain to life** and godliness, **through** the **Knowledge** of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

- Does Health and Healing pertain to Life?
- ♦ Only the Truth you Know can make you Free.
- Only the Gospel (Good News) you Know is the power of God to Heal You.



The Name and The Word

Acts 3:1-16 (NKJV)

⁶ Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." ¹⁶ And His Name, through faith in His Name, has made this man strong,

Philippians 2:9-10

⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the Name which is above every Name, ¹⁰ that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

• Every sickness must bow to the Name of Jesus (when there is faith in that Name.)



The Name and The Word

Psalm 138:2 (NKJV)

I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your Truth; For You have magnified Your Word above all Your name.

Psalm 138:2 (AMPC)

for **You have exalted above all else Your Name and Your Word** and You have magnified Your Word above all Your
name!

- God has magnified His Word above His Name.
- ◆ If there is Healing Power in the Name of Jesus how much healing power is in the Word of God?
- ◆ Through Faith in His Name through Faith in His Word



God's Word Alive and Powerful

Hebrews 4:12 (KJV)

For the word of God is **Quick**, **and Powerful**, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the **joints and marrow**, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12 (AMPC)

For the Word that God speaks is **Alive and full of Power** [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective];

Hebrews 4:12 (MSG)

His powerful Word is sharp as a surgeon's scalpel,

Hebrews 4:12 (TPT)

For we have the living Word of God, which is **full of energy**,



The Worlds Were Created by God's Word

Hebrews 11:3 (NKJV)

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God,

Hebrews 11:3 (CJB)

we understand that the universe was created through a spoken Word of God,



The Word of God and the Human Body

Gen 2:7 (KJV)

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

One day the Eternal God scooped dirt out of the ground, sculpted it into the shape we call human, breathed the breath that gives life into the nostrils of the human, and the human became a living soul. (VOICE)

- God created the dust with His Words.
- ♦ He formed the human body with the dust that was created with His Words.
- Every cell in your body is composed of substance that was created by the Word of God and therefore MUST respond to the same Power that created it!



All Things Upheld by God's Word

Hebrews 1:3 (NKJV)

who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and **upholding all things** by the **Word** of His Power,

Hebrews 1:3 (AMP)

upholding and maintaining and propelling all things [the entire physical and spiritual universe] by His Powerful **Word**

Hebrews 1:3 (VOICE)

... sustains all that exists through the Power of His Word.

- This includes every cell in your physical body.
- ♦ ALL 37.2 TRILLION CELLS!
- "Every cell in my body is being upheld, maintained, propelled, sustained, and energized by the Living Powerful Word of God!"



God's Word is God's Medicine

Psalm 107:20 (NKJV)

He sent His Word and Healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.

Exodus 15:26

for I am the Lord that Healeth thee. (This is the Word He sent.)

Psalm 105:37 (KJV)

He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

- ◆ There is Healing Power in God's Word.
- God's Word is God's Medicine.



God's Prescription for Divine Health (Taking God's Medicine)

Proverbs 4:20-22(NKJV)

My son, give Attention to my Words; Incline your ear to my sayings.²¹ Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; ²² For They are life to those who find them, And Health to all their Flesh.

- Give Attention to God's Words.
- ◆ Incline your Ear (listening to God's Word audibly).
- Do not let them depart from your Eyes (the Written Word).
- Keep them in your Heart. (Peter didn't keep it. We Keep it by refusing to give attention to circumstantial evidence.)
- ♦ They (God's Words) are Health to all your Flesh.
- ◆ This is how we feed our faith for health and healing.
- ◆ Take God's Word like medicine because it is.