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**Sermon Title:** Is it Always God's Will to Heal?

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The Year of God's Beneficence

**Text:** Acts 3:1-16

*"It is always God's will to heal. But, it may not always be instantaneously."*

### **Why is there delay in healing?**

#### **1. Angelic warfare.**

➤ Daniel 10:12-13, Mark 9:29

#### **2. Lack of faith, obedience, or submission.**

➤ Mark 6:5-6

➤ In context, it was actually a lack of honor which brought unbelief.

#### **3. God is working a "greater good."**

➤ John 9:1-3

#### **4. God is drawing us to Himself.**

➤ 2 Corinthians 1:9

*"A lot of people pray for healing, not because they have faith, but because they have no faith."*

Peter Haas

➤ Often times our prayers reveal our pathologies (sickness); our intercessions reveal our idols.

*"We are praying for God's healing not because our trust in God is so big, but because our trust in God is so small that we can't imagine how God could give us joy and peace unless He gives us exactly what we want."*

Peter Haas

If God answered all of those prayers for us, He'd simply be reinforcing our idolatry!

**How God's perfect healing came to the lame beggar in Acts:**

**1 - Peter was not focused on giving the man healing, he gave him something greater.**

**Verses 3, 12, 16**

- He gave the beggar the Name of Jesus and the faith which comes through Him.

**2 - It should not be a surprise that God does heal!**

**Verse 12**

- *"Why are you amazed at this..."*
- How great is our expectation in the Name of Jesus?

We lack in receiving, primarily because we live in a way in which we do not anticipate the touch of God. Subsequently, the touch of God forces us to live a holy and godly life. This is our healing struggle!

**3 - There is something powerful to be said about our condition of faith and perfect health.**

**Verse 16; 3 John 1:2**

- Prosperity in our life and healing in our body often times is intricately connected with the success of our faith in God.
- Healthy faith will understand that instant healing may give way to some of the intentions God is working as listed above.

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Put more effort in growing your walk with God than nursing the frustration of a lack of your standard of healing! Grow spiritually and LIVE!