

Christ Paid in Full

By His Stripes We Are Healed

1 PETER 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree... by whose stripes ye were healed.

Healing is not something we beg God for as if it were uncertain - it is something Christ already purchased at the cross. The question is not whether God is willing to heal you. The question is whether you will stand on what has already been paid for. This week, we look at three scriptures that settle the matter: you were bought, you were healed, and you are called to take hold of it.

BOUGHT WITH A PRICE

1 CORINTHIANS 6:20

For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

You do not belong to sickness, to a diagnosis, or to the enemy - you belong to God. He paid for you in full, body and spirit. Glorifying Him with your body includes refusing to settle for less than what He purchased for you.

A price this high was never paid for something God intended to leave broken. Every part of you - body and spirit - was worth the cost to Him.

HEALING WAS PURCHASED AT THE CROSS

ISAIAH 53:4-5

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows... he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities... and with his stripes we are healed.

Christ did not only carry your sin - He carried your sicknesses, your sorrows, and your pain. This is not a promise you are waiting on; it is a transaction already completed. 1 Peter 2:24 repeats it as settled fact: by His stripes, you were healed.

Notice the tense - it does not say you will be healed someday. It says you were healed, past tense, at the cross. Your healing is not a future hope; it is a present possession waiting to be walked in. Whatever report you have received, this report says otherwise - and it was signed in blood before the foundation of the world.

Take Hold of What Is Already Yours

MATTHEW 11:12

And from the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

A finished work still has to be taken hold of. The kingdom does not fall into passive hands - it is laid hold of by people who refuse to let go. Healing that has already been purchased still requires you to reach out and receive it with everything you have.

SPEAK TO THE MOUNTAIN

MARK 11:23

Whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Authority is not just believed - it is spoken. Whatever mountain of sickness, pain, or diagnosis stands in front of you, you have been given words to speak directly to it, in faith and without doubt.

REFLECTION

1. Where have you been praying as if healing is uncertain, instead of standing on what Christ already paid for?
2. What would it look like this week to "take it by force" instead of waiting passively?
3. What mountain do you need to speak to directly, in faith, rather than just talk about?

MY DECLARATION

I am bought with a price, and I belong to God - body and spirit. By His stripes I was healed; it is already finished. I will not beg for what is already mine. I will take hold of it by faith and speak to every mountain until it moves.

Pastoral note: this message makes strong claims about healing and spiritual authority. Please continue to seek appropriate medical evaluation and treatment alongside prayer and Scripture.