

Faith That Heals

God's Word as Medicine, Christ as Physician

JEREMIAH 8:22

Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then is there no recovery for the health of the daughter of my people?

Sickness has no rightful place in the life of a believer - Christ has already paid the price. God is the Physician, and His Word is the medicine. We are called to desire healing, pray in faith, believe, and receive.

GOD'S WORD IS MEDICINE

PROVERBS 4:20-22

Attend to my words... for they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh.

Jesus went about healing every kind of sickness and disease (Matthew 4:23; 9:35). The instruction is not merely to hear Scripture, but to find it personally and let it enter the heart. It is the entrance of the Word - not just reading it - that drives out darkness and brings healing to light (Psalm 119:130).

JESUS THE PHYSICIAN

MATTHEW 9:12-13

They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick... for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.

Jesus never turned away the sick - He identified them as exactly who He came for. Acts 10:38 says He went about healing all who were oppressed of the devil. Wherever sickness or oppression shows up, the Physician is already present and willing.

HEALING IS THE CHILDREN'S BREAD

MATTHEW 15:26-28

It is not fitting to take the children's bread and cast it to the dogs... O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.

Healing and deliverance are the children's bread - a covenant right belonging to God's own family. But the Word must be mixed with faith to profit the one who hears it (Hebrews 4:2). Faith is the believer's shield against every fiery dart the enemy sends (Ephesians 6:16) and the victory that overcomes the world (1 John 5:4).

Christ Paid in Full

ISAIAH 53:4-5

Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows... and by His stripes we are healed.

Christ bore our sicknesses, pain, sin, and the effects of the Fall. His finished work is our receipt - proof already paid in full (1 Peter 2:24; 1 Corinthians 6:20). Galatians 3:13-14 says He redeemed us from the curse of the law, and Ephesians 2:6 says He seated us with Him, above every hostile name. We are called to resist sickness actively and speak faith over it rather than respond with passive resignation.

AUTHORITY OVER SICKNESS AND OPPRESSION

1. Jesus Delivers

Luke 13:10-17 - The woman bent over for eighteen years was healed; some sickness is spiritual oppression that Jesus casts out.

2. Authority Is Given

Luke 9:1 - Jesus gave His disciples power and authority over every disease and evil spirit.

3. Authority Is Spoken

Mark 11:23 - Believers are instructed to speak directly to the mountain and command it to move.

REFLECTION

1. What is one promise about healing you need to move from your head into your heart this week?
2. Where have you responded to sickness or opposition with resignation instead of faith?
3. What would it look like to speak to your mountain directly, in faith, instead of only talking about it?

MY DECLARATION

By His stripes I am healed. Christ has already paid in full, and sickness has no rightful place in my life. I will find the Word, mix it with faith, and speak to every mountain with the authority He has given me.

Pastoral note: this message makes strong claims about healing and faith. Please continue to seek appropriate medical care alongside prayer and Scripture.