

LOVE, SERVE!

Part 3: "Heal! Part 2"

Mark 16.15-18 "Go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone! The ones who believe and are baptized will be saved; *the ones that don't believe will be separated forever*. And these signs will follow those that believe: in My name they will cast out devils, they will speak with new tongues, they will take away 'serpents' and if they drink anything harmful it will not hurt them... *they will lay hands on the sick and they will recover!*"

Healing has always been God's heart... and Old Testament texts are proof it's not just a N.T. idea!

The Heart of God... "If you will listen intelligently and attentively to the voice of the Lord your God, and will do what is right in his sight, and will give hearing to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: *for I am the Lord that heals you!*" **Exodus 15.26** "**I AM... Jehovah Rapha...**" The Heart of God... And you will serve the Lord your God, and He will bless your bread, and your water; *and I will take sickness away from the midst of you.*" **Exodus 23.25** "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases who redeems your life from destruction..." **Psalms 103.2-4** "**He is the physician for all your sickness and diseases...**" –David, friend of God!

Healing has always been God's heart, but it was sourced for us at the monument of God's love... the Cross!

Healing from the Cross... "He bore our sicknesses and carried our sorrows. We thought He was being stricken, smitten and afflicted by God... but He was bored thru for our rebellious sins, bruised for our evil, the beatings of our wholeness were upon Him and by His stripes we are healed..." **Is 53.4,5** "By His stripes we were healed!" **1P2.24** "My body was broken for you... eating it unworthily is the reason many are weak and sickly among you and many die..." **1Cor 11.24,29,30**

So we know healing is His name, it's on His heart and it's what He does... But Does He? Does God heal all our sicknesses and all our diseases all the time?

Let's look at a major stumbling block to healing flow... the Sovereignty of God issue!

Sovereignty of God... God picks and chooses who... He will save! Preselection/predestination! Some chosen for salvation, others not! Problems: How can He hold people accountable who can't be free of sin? And, why preach the gospel? **He will heal!** "Some meant to be sick, *for His glory!*" Problems: Jesus was working against God's sovereign will? And, what about the Cross?

Sovereignty applied to healing accuses God of being able but unwilling! Withholding!

"For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." **Psalms 84.11** "God is for us! He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, *how will He not with Him also freely give us all things?*" **Romans 8.31,32**

Healing "Confidence!" "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us, and, if we know that he hears us, *whatsoever we ask*, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him!" **1John 5.14,15** WOG: "For this purpose was the Son of God manifest to destroy the works of the devil!" **1John 3.8** WOG: "God anointed Jesus with the Holy Ghost and power: who went about doing good, *and healing all* that were oppressed of the devil; *for God was with him.*" **A10.38** WOG: "to manifest the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day..." **J9.4** COM: "Let him that asks, ask in faith, nothing wavering, not tossed around... that man will not receive from the Lord... a double minded man is unstable in all his ways! **Jam 1.6-8** COM: "If you can believe, all things are possible to him that believes, and the father cried out, "Lord, I believe, help my unbelief!" **Mk 9.23,24**

COM: "Do you believe I am able to do this? 'Yes!' According to your faith let it be unto you!" **Mt 9.27-29**
Pretty sure someone just heard me say, "it's up to you! Have big faith and you will receive!"

Forgetting...? "You only fail because of unbelief: *Firmly*, I say to you, If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move, and it will move,' and nothing will be impossible unto you." **Mt 17.20** I don't need great faith, just "enough," because Jesus helps my unbelief... **Mk9.24** *Because He is a great God, predisposed to those who come to Him for salvation and healing!* We don't need great faith to be healed... just a little... left on! God always hears us... And what we ask according to His will... He does... to glorify Himself on the earth!

A Prelude... Is God on our side? Does God know what we need before we ask it? Does God always hear us when we ask? Does God know the desires of our hearts? Does God always answer us in the ways we think He should? In our right minds would we want His answer more than ours? ***Are we willing to trust Him, based on knowing Him, not what we see, feel or even "really believe to be true?"***

An Illustration/analogy... I love my child... She may call me and say, "I need more money..." And I might say, 'you need better management!' She might call and tell me she needs a new car... I might say, 'You only need a mechanic!' She might say she needs a mechanic... I might say, 'You need a new vehicle!' ***It's the place where my knowledge, and her trust, comes into play!***

I have no intention of letting her go without resolution to her mobility problem... But this is where she needs to trust my knowledge, and even more, my love for her!

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Some healings come immediately, some in phases, some on the way... And it's important to know and teach... just leave your faith on!