



God Heals Today

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The Scripture says, “Let God be true, but every man a liar.”¹ We need to frequently remind ourselves of this because it’s so easy to be sidelined by the report of the world. The world, the flesh, and the devil often contradict the Word of God. If God’s Word does not lead us, then these three will influence our lives and work evil against us.

The devil tries diligently to promote his diabolical schemes. He wants to carry us downstream, over the waterfall of life, to sure defeat. When our sensual nature agrees with his propaganda, he shouts a loud “amen.” If the world applauds his concept, he is glad. Only God’s Word can rescue us from these enemies of faith.

One dogma promoted by these opponents of truth declares that God is the author of sickness. Yet, sickness is NEVER from the hand of God. The devil is the thief that kills, steals, and destroys, not God. God is the author of life – abundant life.² Sickness destroys life. It does not enhance or improve it.

When I was a child, we expected to catch every disease that we were exposed to. We were not taught that our life-giving Father was our healer. This misunderstanding dictated that we were defenseless. We believed we might as well get sick and get it over with. It was only as an adult that I began to see scriptural truth. It was a

magnificent day when I heard the voice of God’s Word say, “I am the Lord that healeth thee.”³

The psalmist writes that God is good and does good.⁴ Everyone who has been sick knows that healing is good, and sickness is NOT good. It only takes a few days of pain and trauma before we agree with the Scriptures that call sickness a curse that binds and oppresses.⁵ It simply is NOT a blessing.

*“In the midst of your desert,
remember that God can supply
water from a rock.”^{Ex 17:5} There’s
nothing too hard for our God!!*

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The wonderful truth of God’s Word says that Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, the curse of sin and sickness.⁶ The word “redeemed” means to buy back or to repurchase. Adam was created by God, and through Adam’s sin, man became subject to sin and death. BUT GOD! God has redeemed us, paid for our sin and purchased our freedom by the sacrifice of His only begotten Son. Through our faith in Jesus’ death and Resurrection, we have been delivered from Satan’s kingdom.

In order to understand this great work of God, we must be reminded that man is a tri-part being. In 1 Thessalonians 5:23, the apostle Paul teaches that we are spirit, soul, and body. When we believe in Jesus, we are given a new heart or spirit. We

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become a new creation.⁷ As we study the Word of God, it will renew our mind, and the precious truths of God's Word will heal our bodies. Our faith will set us free – spirit, soul, and body.

There are many scriptural proofs that God will heal our bodies. The psalmist said, "Bless the Lord, O my soul ... who HEALETH ALL thy diseases."⁸ King Solomon tells us to focus on God's words because "they are life unto those that find them, and HEALTH TO ALL THEIR FLESH."⁹ The apostle John writes, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in HEALTH, even as thy soul prospers."¹⁰ Our Lord's brother, James, declares that "The prayer of faith SHALL SAVE THE SICK."¹¹ And, of course, our Lord Himself healed the leper and the centurion's servant with the triumphant proclamation, "I will."¹² Because God is not a respecter of persons, He's Word to all is still "I will."

The question is, "How can I be healed?" The

answer is simple and clearly defined by our Lord. He said, "According to your faith be it unto you."¹³ Therefore, we must school ourselves in faith. We must absorb God's Word because faith comes by hearing. As we give our heart to the Scripture, we will understand that Jesus paid the full price to redeem all men from sin and sickness.

The blood of Jesus was shed for whosoever.¹⁴ The songwriter penned this accurately when he said, "'Whosoever' meaneth me." Further, he writes, "I was lost in sin, for the world I pined / But now I am set free."¹⁵

Believe this wonderful message. God's arms are outstretched to you. Call upon Him today. "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation."¹⁶

¹Rm 3:4 ²Jn 10:10 ³Ex 15:26 ⁴Ps 119:68 ⁵Deut 28, Lk 13:16, Act 10:38 ⁶Gal 3:13 ⁷2Co 5:17 ⁸Ps 103:3 ⁹Pr 4:22 ¹⁰3Jn 1:2 ¹¹Jas 5:15 ¹²Mt 8:3,7 ¹³Mt 9:29 ¹⁴Jn 3:16 ¹⁵"'Whosoever' Meaneth Me" by J. Edwin McConnell, 1910 ¹⁶2Co 6:2 ¹⁷G1411 ¹⁸Jn 14:12 ¹⁹2Pe 1:3 ²⁰Php 2:9 ²¹Act 4:29-30

The Good News

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How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about DOING GOOD, and HEALING all that were OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL; for God was with him. (Acts 10:38)

With these words, Peter established the foundation of the church. Here is what Jesus came to do and His motive for doing it.

The word "power" is the Greek word DUNAMIS. Thayer's Greek Definitions defines it as the "power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature, moral power, excellence of soul, influence which belongs to wealth, resources arising from numbers."¹⁷

God's NATURE, His MORAL POWER and EXCELLENCE OF SOUL, God's INFLUENCES, His entire RESOURCES anointed Jesus to DO GOOD and HEAL all that were OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL.

What a fantastic statement! But it does not stop there because Jesus said, "*He that believeth on me, the WORKS that I do shall he do ALSO; and GREATER WORKS than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.*"¹⁸

Not of greater quality but of greater quantity. Whosoever believes in Him can DO GOOD as Jesus did, and through the Holy Ghost's DUNAMIS power, through GOD'S NATURE, can GO INTO ALL THE WORLD and HEAL those OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL. These are Jesus' words in Mark 16:15. But don't stop there. Verses 17-18 say, "*And THESE SIGNS shall follow them that believe; IN MY NAME shall they*" cast out devils and HEAL THE SICK.

One hundred believers can DO far more GOOD (in quantity) than just one. Jesus has given us ALL WE NEED FOR LIFE AND GODLINESS.¹⁹ We have the authority of His name, a name above any other,²⁰ and a commission to spread the GOOD NEWS—God heals and delivers from demonic oppression, in whatever form it takes.

Not just talk, nor a motivational speech, but action. BOLDNESS.²¹ How powerful is that!