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#6 HEALING:  
by The Word of Faith

INFUSING THE LIFE FOUND IN CHRIST  
THROUGH FAITH IN GOD'S VITAL PRECEPTS,  
MAKING EVERY MEMBER WHOLE  
SPIRIT, SOUL & BODY

# HEALING: by The Word of Faith

## Session 6



The Gift of healing that we learned about in chapter 10 is different from another form of Divine Healing that comes by Faith in the authority of the written Word. In this lesson we will:

1. Compare how each healing is demonstrated
2. Define healing that comes by the Word of Faith
3. Explain how to activate and receive Healing

### I. The Gift of Healing & Healing by Word of Faith

The previous chapter explained that the Gift of healing operates through one person for the benefit of another. An example of this Peter and the lame man who was healed at the “Gate called Beautiful.” Acts 3:1-10 Peter operated in the Gift of healing and laid hands on the lame man asked him to stand and then helped faith & lifted him to his feet. Their mutual faith healed the man through a Gift that was initiated by the Holy Spirit. Peter and the man both cooperated with the Holy Spirit for this to happen. Healing that comes through the Word of faith does not require laying on of hands or even another person’s presence or cooperation. It is accessed by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the receiver. It does not need the prompting of the Holy Spirit through and administration of His Gifts. It is administrated by the person who comes into agreement with what God has already authorized in the Bible.

## A. Healing by the Word of Faith

Word of Faith healing comes as a person hears the Word of God and comes into agreement with the authority God has placed upon the scripture through His divine nature. Since it is impossible for God to lie, if He said it, then it is certain and we can place our trust in it. Our faith then apprehends the truths of scripture and confession of faith is made that brings healing. This type of divine healing may be instant or may manifest over a period of time. But it always activated by our faith.

## B. How to receive & Activate Healing

Faith is the conductor that God's healing flows through!

### **James 1:6,7**

*6. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.*

*7. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.*

**Building a person's faith requires the\_\_\_\_\_.**  
**There are the answers to 3 questions found in the scripture that will build faith.**

## C. Can God Heal people?

Of course we think God is **able** to heal people. He is God after all. But just to note, The Bible is filled with examples of miraculous healing for a wide array of afflictions, Palsy, the mute, blind, lame, skin conditions, female reproductive issues & even death itself. Some say that these events were only for the initiation & birth of the church. They believe

that those types of miraculous events stopped with the Apostles. But, Jesus said that “greater works than these shall you do.” Doubters could not say they stopped with Jesus because they continue throughout the New Testament with Paul & Peter recording events in their writings.

The problem is the Bible does not say that these things will end and if it was Gods intention that they should end; why would there be so many references though out it telling us how to receive it if it were not for us to believe. That would be a contradiction. Since we know that it is impossible for God to lie then it must certainly be something that a person can have. It is also interesting to note that evidence of history stands in mockery of those who would transform the word of God into an empty, powerless writing through their unbelief. The fact is that every revival has had manifestations of instant healings.

1. Reformation
2. Huguenots (*French protestants 1500s-1600s*)
3. Moravians
4. Welsh
5. Wesleyan
6. Finney
7. Moody
8. Pentecostal
9. Charismatic
10. Healing Revival of the 50's

## II. Does He Always Heal?

God opened a way for every man woman or child to be healed. The scripture plainly demonstrates that Jesus healed everyone who sought it. He even equated healing with \_\_\_\_\_ . Never was anyone denied who asked.

*Matthew 4:24 News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the*

*demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them.*

Some asked but did not receive fully. Of the Ten lepers, only one was healed fully.

***Matthew 8:16** When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick.*

Here is a passage where Jesus is surrendering God's will to the will of man. He asked, "*Do you want to get well?*"

**John 5:1-12**

*1. Sometime later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for a feast of the Jews.*

*2. Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades.*

*3. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie--the blind, the lame, the paralyzed.*

*5. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.*

*6. When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?"*

*7. "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me."*

*8. Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk."*

*9. At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. The day on which this took place was a Sabbath,*

*10. and so the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat."*

*11. But he replied, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'"*

12. So they asked him, "Who is this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?"

13. The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there.

14. Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you."

15. The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

16. So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, the Jews persecuted him.

17. Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I, too, am working."

18. For this reason the Jews tried all the harder to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

Most often Jesus was sought out & asked if He were willing to heal them in every case the answered \_\_\_\_\_ in word and action. God was willing to deliver us from sin and the full effect of the curse that came with sin. As it says in:

### **Isaiah 53**

1. Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

2. He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.

3. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

4. Surely, he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted.

*5. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.*

This is also quoted in the book of James making it valid for us since it is in the New Testament it is the New covenant.

Anyone who reads even brief passages of scripture will be confronted by the overwhelming testimony of God's will being to heal. Also that the events go for beyond the establishing of the New Testament Church & its apostles.

If first God's will is to heal, second He can heal us and He consistently does; then why are so many still sick? Why do even the faithful saints who have cried out to God asking Him to heal them remain ill & broken? The facts show that there must be some unmet conditions or limits. There simply must be conditions that are required to receive healing or to administer it. So then we turn in scripture to learn what they are.

## **II. What are the conditions for healing to occur?**

The first thing is WHO? Is healing reserved for a certain class of people? Who can be healed Saint, Sinner or Believer? Jesus did tell a Canaanite woman that it was "The children's bread" *Matt 15:22* She would be considered to be in the "sinner" category since she was uncovered by the covenant God made with Israel through the law. But then she replied to Him that she would be happy with the crumbs and her daughter received the healing. This woman was not part of the "In" group by culture.

So then, maybe she was just exceptionally good, a "Saint" per say by conscience, so that Jesus included her even though she was not Jewish. We don't know so then what about the Man from the Pool of Bethesda who was healed. Jesus points us to his sin.

***John 5:14***

*Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you."*

Now this is a curious account. In this case no one was asking for healing and Jesus selected this man out of the crowd of many who needed healing. No one was asking JESUS for it. There hope was simply be in the place where only the first one to touch the water after it stirred would purportedly be healed. So Jesus selects just one and ask him if he would be whole and with an agreement from the man, heals him and leaves the rest before they have a chance to even know what happened.

So Jesus clearly healed people in & out of His covenant. And sin did not disqualify them for healing. So then what does disqualify anyone for healing if anything. Again it must still be that the requirements are not met. But it is not because of WHO or WHAT we are.

## **I. What are the requirements?**

1. Must \_\_\_\_\_ to receive or release the anointing for healing. It is the single common factor in all cases recorded in scripture. Simple belief. Belief that honors the Word of God as certain and irrefutable. Whether written or spoken. If God says it then I receive it!



2. So, then we say like the Roman Centurion, *Mark 9:24* "Lord I believe, help me overcome my unbelief!" And the Lord does answer this man's prayer for us all by telling us in His Word how to activate our faith in the book of Romans.

***Romans 10:6-10***

6. *But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down)*

7. *"or 'Who will descend into the deep?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).*

8. *But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming:*

9. *That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

10. *For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.*

Of course, this passage is speaking of righteousness that comes through His Salvation & not healing. But remember we said that Jesus put Salvation & Healing on \_\_\_\_\_.

***Matthew 9:1-8***

1. *Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town.*

2. *Some men brought to him a paralytic, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven."*

3. *At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, "This fellow is blaspheming!"*

4. *Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, "Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts?"*

5. *Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'?*

6. But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins. . . ." Then he said to the paralytic, "Get up, take your mat and go home."

7. *And the man got up and went home.*

8. *When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to men.*

**Make a NOTE of that last sentence too!**

Believing comes from revelation through the Words of God.

### **Romans 10:17**

*So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

This lesson is brief as the Bible offers much more on the subject. The greatest evidence we have it the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. His suffering was not for our salvation alone but for our wholeness as well.

## **I. Mistakes People Make**

- Believe it is God's will for them to be ill.
  - God has some unseen purpose in the circumstance
  - God is protecting them with the illness
  - God is providing for them by making them ill.
- Trade off their faith and the validity of the Scripture to explain their circumstances or those of others.
- Try to make the Bible say what their Eyes see. They should make their eyes see what the Bible says.
- Their lack of faith has become their doctrine
- "The Crutch" They would rather keep the issue than face life without it.

## I. Can healing be lost?

Three things can cause a person to let go of or lose their healing.

1. Willful Sin
2. Unbelief
3. Refusal to Forgive or be Forgiven

### 1. Keys to receiving physical healing or material needs.

- (a) Know God's will
- (b) Expect the answer
- (c) Invest in your faith

✝ *Believe the word*

✝ *Act like you have what you ask*

### **THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READING: 1 Kings**

*Use the Bible Study tool as you read. Return your completed form for credit. You will get much more from the time if you prepare in advance by reading prayerfully through the assignment:*

### **ANSWER KEY:**

- Pg. 1 faith
- Pg 2. Word of God
- Pg 3 salvation
- Pg 4. affirmative
- Pg 5. Believe
- Pg 6. equal ground
- Pg 7. Cross, Resurrection