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God's Will on Healing

5. Anything, Anyone, Anytime, Anywhere

- Jesus healed ANY kind of disease, on ANYONE, ANYTIME, and ANYWHERE.

Mark 16:15–18 (NKJV)

¹⁵And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

¹⁶He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

¹⁷And **these signs will follow** those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;

¹⁸they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; **they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.**”

- These signs WILL follow, not MIGHT follow. Jesus makes such blank statements with no qualifications whatsoever. He didn't say they will follow if you're good enough, if you fast enough, if you pray enough, if you tithe enough, none of that. He only said: “If you believe...” This is the only condition. He didn't say either if you're called to that sort of thing. You hear people say: “Oh, that's not my ministry.” Your ministry is the ministry of Jesus Christ. Whatever He did, you should do also.

Matthew 4:23–25 (NKJV)

²³And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and **healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.**

²⁴Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and **He healed them.**

²⁵Great multitudes followed Him—from Galilee, and from Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan.

Matthew 9:35 (NKJV)

³⁵Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and **healing every sickness and every disease among the people.**

- Jesus healed ALL kinds of sicknesses and ALL kinds of diseases. There was no sickness too difficult for Him to heal. This our mandate as Christians too.
- As Christians we don't specialize in certain sicknesses or certain ministries. We generalize. The solution is always the same for any problem (sickness, torment, demon-possessed, epileptics, paralytics, etc): LIFE of THE SPIRIT.

Matthew 10:1 (NKJV)

¹And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and **to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease.**

Matthew 10:8 (NKJV)

⁸**Heal the sick,** cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

- Jesus sent His disciples to heal every kind of sickness and every kind of disease. That was before the

cross. All the more Christians are sent the same way after the cross.

Mark 9:14–23 (NKJV)

¹⁴And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them.

¹⁵Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him.

¹⁶And He asked the scribes, “What are you discussing with them?”

¹⁷Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit.

¹⁸And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.”

¹⁹He answered him and said, “O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me.”

²⁰Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.

²¹So He asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood.

²²And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”

²³Jesus said to him, “***If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.***”

- Here is the case of a demon-possessed and sick boy who could not be delivered by the disciples. However, in that context Jesus says in v. 23 that ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM WHO BELIEVES.

Luke 4:40 (NKJV)

⁴⁰When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and ***He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them.***

- EVERYONE Jesus laid His hands on were healed.

Luke 6:17–19 (NKJV)

¹⁷And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases,

¹⁸as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And ***they were healed.***

¹⁹And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and ***healed them all.***

- Again we see that Jesus healed them ALL. None remained sick.

Luke 9:11 (NKJV)

¹¹But when the multitudes knew it, they followed Him; and He received them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and ***healed those who had need of healing.***

- All those who needed healing were cured regardless of the person, time, or location. The passage doesn't mention any qualifications for the people that were cured, like not having sins, or having enough faith.

John 5:1–15 (NKJV)

¹After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

²Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches.

³In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water.

⁴For an angel went down ***at a certain time*** into the pool and stirred up the water; ***then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.***

⁵Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years.

⁶When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, “Do you want to be made well?”

⁷The sick man answered Him, “Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me.”

⁸Jesus said to him, “Rise, take up your bed and walk.”

⁹And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath.

¹⁰The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, “It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed.”

¹¹He answered them, “He who made me well said to me, ‘Take up your bed and walk.’”

¹²Then they asked him, “Who is the Man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk?’”

¹³But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place.

¹⁴Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, “See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you.”

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

- This angel was coming down at a certain time which in this year coincided with a Feast of the Jews, and that was the Passover. He would come down every Passover, enter the water and play, stir up the water. Try to picture it for a moment: suddenly you see the water moving, but you don't see the angel.
- V. 4 says the WHOEVER stepped first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of WHATEVER disease he had. God doesn't care who you are or what you have. To Him is WHOEVER and WHATEVER. Beside the condition to be the first in the water, there was no other condition for the healing to take place: no unforgiveness, lack of faith, lack of fasting, social status, sinful actions or habits in their lives, etc. Nothing like that. The Lord would heal ANYONE of ANYTHING.

6. The Disciples Did the Same Thing

- Maybe you tell yourself: “Well Jesus did it, but that is not for me.” Look at how His disciples healed after Jesus ascended to heaven:

Acts 5:15–16 (NKJV)

¹⁵so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that **at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them.**

¹⁶Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and **they were all healed.**

- Let's analyze also the healing of the lame man from the gate of the temple:

Acts 3:1–16 (NKJV)

¹Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.

²And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple;

³who, **seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms.**

⁴And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, **“Look at us.”**

⁵So he gave them his attention, **expecting to receive something from them.**

⁶Then Peter said, “Silver and gold I do not have, but **what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.**”

⁷And **he took him by the right hand** and lifted him up, and **immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.**

⁸So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God.

⁹And all the people saw him walking and praising God.

¹⁰Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

¹¹Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed.

¹²So when Peter saw it, he responded to the people: “Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, **as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?**”

¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go.

¹⁴But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you,

¹⁵and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses.

¹⁶And His name, **through faith in His name, has made this man strong**, whom you see and know. Yes, **the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness** in the presence of you all.

- Verses 1 to 3 above show us that Peter and John were going to the temple to pray. They knew the power and need of prayer, and they were going regularly to pray. However, here they met the lame man before they prayed. There weren't prayed up yet.
- We also see that the lame man didn't ask for healing, he just asked for alms, meaning money.
- V. 4 – We know that generally when someone wants to pray for sick people, they don't start by saying: “Look at me!”. Almost always they would say: “You have to look to Jesus”. But Peter didn't do that. Interestingly enough, his approach worked while our approach today doesn't.
- V. 5 – This man was expecting to receive money from Peter and John. There's no indication that he had faith to be healed.
- V. 6 – Usually we would pray something like: “Let's pray and see what Jesus would do.” When we pray like that, Jesus doesn't do anything, and then we say that it must not be His will to heal. But Peter said: “What I have, I give you”. He had something, he was conscious that he had healing in the name of Jesus to give. He had no doubt that he could give what he had. Then he doesn't even pray. He just gives a command: “rise up and walk.”
- V. 7 – The man didn't receive strength until Peter pulled him up. Boldness comes from knowing what you know and from being completely sure of something. Example: Let's say someone asks for your name and you tell them boldly your name, Eduard. Then they say: “No, your name is not Eduard, is Bill.” You would reply something like: “You're kidding. Now seriously, my name is Eduard, you're ridiculous.” You're not going to look at your ID to see if your name is really Eduard. Why? Because you know that you know. There's no doubt about it.
- This case shows us also that when you minister healing, you don't necessarily need to touch the afflicted part. You can just take the person by the right hand, because power and life come out of you anyway.
- V. 12 – Why are you looking at us, as if our own power or holiness healed that person? So, you don't have to be holy enough or good enough to be able to heal. It wasn't either because they were apostles. Even apostles must believe.
- V. 16 – Who had faith in the name of Jesus? Peter, of course, and not the lame man.
- What Peter said he had, you also have if you are born-again and in Christ. You have the ability to heal other people through faith in the name of Jesus Christ.

7. Everything Pertaining to Life

2 Peter 1:3-4 (NKJV)

³as His divine power *has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness*, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

⁴by which have been given to us exceedingly great and *precious promises*, that through these you may be *partakers of the divine nature*, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

- When we become a new creation, we receive from God all things that pertain to life and godliness, including physical healing. By His precious promises we become partakers of the divine nature.

2 Corinthians 1:20 (NKJV)

²⁰For *all the promises of God in Him are Yes*, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

- All the promises of God are YES. He is always willing to heal.