

DIVINE HEALING

Memory verse:

James 5:14-15

"Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders or the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well: the Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned, he will be forgiven."

1. Why did pain, sickness and death first come to man? (Genesis 2:17, 3:16-19)

By turning away from God in disobedience, man lost the blessing and protection of God and came under a curse and the power of the devil.

2. Who oppresses men with sickness? (Luke 13:11, 16, Acts 10:38)

3. What did Isaiah prophesy that Jesus would do through His atoning death in regard to physical healing? (Isaiah 53:4-5)

4. What does Matthew tell us about the fulfillment of this prophecy? (Matthew 8:16-17)

5. Does Jesus ever change? (Hebrews 13:8)

6. What does the apostle Peter say about this provision for healing? (I Peter 2:24)

7. What does God promise to do for those who serve Him? (Exodus 23:25)

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 b) _____

8. What did David say the Lord does for those who follow Him? (Psalm 103:3)

- a) _____
 b) _____

9. How many of God's promises may we claim through faith in Jesus? (II Corinthians 1:19-20)

10. What does God promise for those who return to Him from a life of sin and disobedience? (Jeremiah 33:6)

Consequently, we see that as men turn from sin to serve the living God, God desires not only to save man from sin but also from sickness. Jesus came to redeem man completely from the hand of the enemy.

11. How many did Jesus heal of those who came to Him? (Matthew 8:16, Matthew 12:15, Matthew 14:35-36, Luke 4:40)

12. How many kinds of sicknesses did Jesus heal? (Matthew 4:23-24, Matthew 9:35)

13. What did Jesus often look for in those who came to Him for healing? (Matthew 9:28-29, Mark 2:5)

14. How did Peter explain the healing of the lame man? (Acts 3:16)

15. Did Jesus only heal those with great faith? (Mark 9:23-25)

16. What motivated Jesus to heal? (Mark 1:40-42)

God does desire us to have faith to receive all of His promises. Indeed, without faith it is impossible to please Him (Heb. 11:6). It is a definite principle of the word of God that we receive God's promises by faith, and we should develop our faith for healing until it is very strong. But if we turn this principle into a law, we run the risk of condemning ourselves or others, and/or becoming overly introspective about our level of faith. It is far better to focus on the compassion and power of God and lead others to do the same than to inspect our level of faith (or someone else's). As we do so, God can help our weak faith and make it strong. The truth is that God is willing and well able to heal even if our faith is not great!

17. How did Jesus command His disciples to extend His Kingdom? (Matthew 10:7-8)

18. What did Jesus say a person who believes in Him would do? (John 14:12)

19. What authority does Jesus give His followers? (Luke 19:10, Matthew 10:1)

20. What did the early church pray for along with boldness to preach the gospel? (Acts 4:29-30)

21. What were the results? (Acts 5:16)

22. What did God send to heal us? (Psalm 107:20)

23. What are we to do with the word of God if we desire healing? (Proverbs 4:20-22)

24. What lifestyle decisions can we make that will lead to our health and healing? (Proverbs 3:7-8)

25. What did David say happened to him when he hid his iniquity and did not confess his sin? (Psalm 32:3-5)

26. What therefore are we exhorted to do? (James 5:16)

27. What are the elders of the church to do for a sick Christian? (James 5:14-16)

28. What will the Lord do? (James 5:15)

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b) _____