

# To Your Health

Recently, the Lord blessed this ministry with a teaching on His gift of health and healing. It was and continues to be a blessing and a revelation to us. We remain excited, many weeks later, at the power contained in the Word of God and we are thankful for the wisdom the Lord has imparted to us as it concerns our health.

Yet, as might be expected, trials immediately came to test our faith in God's Word. Almost immediately after the teaching series concluded, attacks came on various fronts from the enemy upon several members of the fellowship; but we were able to stand strong together in faith and claim what God says is our through Christ Jesus: divine health and healing. Here is a brief summary of what the Lord shared with us in the teaching series concerning our health:

1. **It is God's will that we be in health and to heal us when we are sick.** Jesus is an expression of the Father's will, in words and deeds. Jesus, Himself said, *"I came down from heaven, not to do Mine own will, but the will of Him Who sent me"* (John 6:38). When a leper came to Jesus saying, "If you are willing, You can make me clean," Jesus responded by saying, *"I am willing. Be clean!"* (Mark 1:40-41 NIV). A huge part of Jesus' earthly ministry involved healing, thus expressing the Father's will to heal. Jesus is willing to heal you.

2. **Church tradition is robbing God's people of God's gift of healing.** Jesus said tradition makes God's Word of no effect (Matthew 15:6). Tradition says, "If it is Your will," when God's Word clearly reveals His will to heal us (See Mark 1:40-41; 3 John 2). Tradition says healing has passed away, when God's Word says Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). Tradition says God is glorified when we suffer our sickness with grace, when God's Word says repeatedly that God is glorified through healing (See Matthew 15:30-31; Mark 2:12; Luke 7:14-16; Acts 8:5-8).


3. **The Word on healing must be taught and preached.** "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God" (Romans 10:17). God's saints have no problem believing in their salvation because the Word of salvation is consistently taught. However, saints struggle with healing because the Word of healing is rarely taught in our churches. Our faith in God's healing cannot work beyond our knowledge of God's Word on healing. If we're going to reap a healing harvest, God's Word on healing must be planted firmly in our hearts (Galatians 6:7).

4. **God is no respecter of persons, and this includes how He dispenses His gift of healing.** Everybody who came to Jesus in faith received healing for themselves or on behalf of someone else. Everybody. Jesus never refused to heal someone, never said it wasn't the Father's will to heal, never said God was trying to teach a lesson through the sickness, and never said God would be glorified by the person remaining sick. Never. Jesus healed them all. (See Luke 6:17-19; Matthew 12:15; 14:34-36; Luke 4:40; Matthew 9:35; Acts 10:38). If Jesus healed people in Bible days, He'll heal you today.

5. **We have a covenant right to be healed.** Jesus said that the woman who was bowed over for 18 years had a right, as a daughter of Abraham, to be loosed from her affliction (Luke 13:11-17). Since we belong to Christ, we are Abraham's seed (his sons and daughters) and heirs according to the promise (Galatians 3:29). Therefore, we have just as much right as that dear woman Jesus spoke about in Luke 13 to be free from sickness and disease.

6. **Jesus redeemed us from the curse of the law.** The curses under the law include every sickness and disease known to man (See Deuteronomy 28:15-68). Jesus "redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is everyone that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith" (Galatians 3:13-14). When Jesus went to the cross, He took sickness and disease away from us (See Isaiah 53:4-6; Matthew 8:16-17).

7. **We must fight to receive our healing.** We must keep the Word concerning health and healing in front of us constantly (Proverbs 4:20-22). We must act in faith and confess our healing (2 Corinthians 4:13). We must stand in faith (Ephesians 6:13), cast down imaginations that say we're not healed (2 Corinthians 10:5), refuse to waver (James 1:6-8), refuse to worry (Philippians 4:6-7), consider not our bodies (Romans 4:19-21), and persevere (Hebrews 10:23, 25-26) in order to receive our healing. It's a fight.

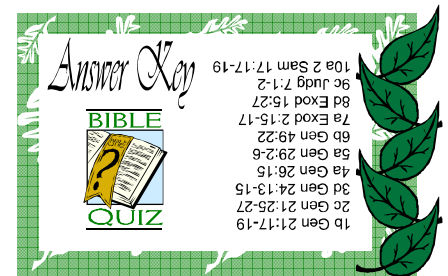
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## Are You Saved?



No matter who you are, no matter what you've done, no matter where you are... you can be saved. Right now. God wants to save you. If you're ready, pray this prayer with us:

*Heavenly Father, I come to You in the name of Jesus. Your Word says, "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." I am calling on You now. I pray and ask Jesus to come into my heart and be Lord over my life. As I do, I confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord and I believe with my heart that God raised Him from the dead. I believe that I am now reborn and that my sins are forgiven. Thank You Lord for loving me and saving me and making me brand new. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.*



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## *Don't Give Up The Fight!*

In 1 Timothy 6:12, the Apostle Paul exhorted Timothy to “fight the good fight of faith.” That’s a word of strength that every believer needs to hear today. We are clearly in a fight daily to lay aside every weight and the sin that so easily besets us (Hebrews 12:1). We are in a spiritual battle to possess the eternal promises of God, which are yea and amen in Christ (2 Corinthians 1:20). We need to resolve within ourselves that we will be in “battle mode” until Jesus returns or He calls us home. To do this, we must maintain our spiritual vitality so that we can be “no ways tired” when the enemy launches his inevitable attacks. Too many saints are professing to be tired. We can’t afford to be tired; there’s a spiritual war going on. So let us encourage, pray for and help one another in our daily walk, as the Lord provides opportunity. As members of one body, we have a shared interest in each other’s battle and in each other’s victory. Let us therefore stand strong together and never give up the fight. The battle is already won, but the spoils of victory will only go to those who refuse to quit.