

Healing For All – Not Taught In God’s Word!

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The basic premise upon which Neo-Pentacostals and Charismatics operate, is that physical healing of man's flesh is entirely based upon the atonement of Jesus Christ, and man's faith in the atonement. The central Bible verse they use to substantiate their doctrine is;

‘with His stripes we are healed’. – Isaiah 55:5b

Physical healing of sickness, diseases and handicaps, is a sign gift greatly desired and sought after by the Neo-Pentacostals and Charismatics, but they do not understand, ‘**it is not God’s will for everyone to be healed**’, that has an infirmity, or sickness of the flesh.

Also, they do not understand that ‘**physical healing is not based on how great man’s faith is in the atonement of Jesus Christ**’, as the ‘**only**’ source of physical healing is entirely in the eternal sovereign will and purpose of God, not in man’s faith in God.

Yes, it is true that the resurrection power of Jesus Christ and the genuine gift of healing as found in the New Testament records, was evidence that proved who the Lord Jesus Christ really is. Divine healing of man’s flesh could be authoritative and authentically accomplished by God Himself, and this fact was something that no religious Pharisee could disprove. So it is obvious that divine healing of man’s flesh, proved and authenticated as an accomplished sign and miraculous wonder, that Jesus Christ is in fact God in the flesh.

‘Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole’ – Mark 5:34a

Jesus Christ did heal her physically, irrespective of saving faith itself being involved in her salvation. She touched the hem of Jesus garment and was healed, but her first motive was reaching out to Jesus Christ, it was Jesus she was after, not her healing first and foremost. It was her faith did make her whole because she received salvation by trusting and clinging to Jesus, the healing gift she received was an added bonus.. to that gift of salvation, but we cannot say that her first priority was to get healed of her blood issue. Her healing was a double blessing because it proved Jesus preaching regarding the ‘future kingdom blessings’, but salvation was all she really needed and that is what she was reaching out for. Its obvious in the textual account, that no doctor could help her so she reached out to Jesus Christ ‘the great physicians of souls’... She was in the bondage of ‘her blood issue’ for 12 years, she was sick and tired of looking to man for help. Lets say that Jesus did not heal or her ‘blood issue’, would it have changed the fact that her faith had made her ‘whole’ in a salvation sense? Her salvation from sin was the primary ‘issue’ here not the ‘issue of blood’ she suffered under for 12 years.

Of course, modern faith healers and tele-evangelist charlatans would just as well forget this. It is a spiritual fact that satan the arch-imitator does give sinners pseudo healings, which are not divine in origin, and he does use his false prophet, false shepherds and fleshly human faith to propogate his carnal healings. **John 9:1-12 is a passage of scripture which shows how Jesus Christ healed irrespective of faith or belief in Him. That blind man had no idea ‘who’ Jesus Christ even was, yet he was healed by Jesus Christ just the same.**

A second example of this is when Jesus healed the son of a man who confessed to unbelief;
‘Help thou mine unbelief’ – Mark 9:24.

The conclusion that ‘**all**’ physical handicaps, disease, sickness are ‘**all**’ a direct result of actual acts or commision of sins from a sin nature, are just not true.

‘and the Lord said unto him, who hath made man’s mouth? Or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? Have not I the Lord?’ – Exodus 4:11

Yes God created the dumb, the deaf, and blind, which were born that way, which is in God's perfect will. When Adam sinned, corruption and sickness resulted in the creation order and nature. Basically if there was no fall of man into sin, there would be no sickness and corruption or our flesh. This of course is a direct result of the fall of Adam.

To believe that **'all'** disease, physical handicaps and sickness came into existence as a direct result of Adam's sin and disobedience is what the Neo-Pentacostals and Charismatics would like all of us to believe, but **John 9:1-3** explains clearly how they reason in their carnal thinking. God does indirectly impart sickness and handicaps apart from any actual act or commission of sin. Pentacostals and Charismatics are 'claiming' a 'double' atonement, one for sin and one for healing, but this is heretical, there is only one atonement for sin on the cross, not a double atonement.

The apostle Paul states that physical pain and sickness demonstrated that God's grace was working in his life;
- **2 Corinthians 12:7-10**

Jesus Christ expected sickness and trials among His followers; **'when we saw thee sick' – Matthew 25:39**

In the context of Matthew 25:37-40 Jesus refers to His followers as brethren – vs40.. 'who were sick'

Job who suffered in his flesh greatly, stated;
'shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?' – Job 2:10b

Besides the afore stated evidence, how is it that many biblical persons who had faith, were sick and in spite of their faith were not healed;

- **Elisha – 2 Kings 13:14**
- **Daniel – Daniel 8:27**
- **Lazarus – John 11:2**
- **Dorcas – Acts 9:36,37**
- **Paul – Galatians 4:13-15**
- **Timothy – Philippians 2:25-30**
- **Epaphroditus – 1 Timothy 5:23**
- **Trophimus – 2 Timothy 4:20**

Faith healers **'claim'** that the atonement of Jesus Christ guarantees our physical healing. They claim all we need to do is 'claim' our healing by 'faith'. Nowhere in the bible does it say that Jesus Christ died on the cross, so that we could **'claim'** divine healing of the sin nature and its results in the natural creation.

The apostle Peter states;
'Who His own self bare our sins in His body on the tree, that we being dead in sins.' – 1 Peter 2:24

The only healing the apostle Peter and the prophet Isaiah refer to here, is the forgiveness of sin and its consequences. Peter is talking exclusively about the spiritual healing the Lord Jesus Christ imputes to the sinner by His atonement for our sins. There is no mention whatever of any physical healing here.

Matthew does refer to the healing which Jesus Christ did do;
'That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities and bare our sickness' – Matthew 8:17

This verse in Matthew 8:17 simply refers to Jesus Christ fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah 53:4, in which Isaiah states;
'Surely He has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows' – Isaiah 53:4a

Jesus Christ identified with every aspect of Adam's sinful fallen humanity, but all the while even while becoming our sin offering, He never came into actual contact with any sin.. He had no sin and no sin ever contaminated His holy being, He truly was our sin bearer and scapegoat.. our punishment due to us because of our sins were laid on Him, what He did not deserve.

Matthew 8:17 does not refer to Jesus Christ bareing all our physical sicknesses and infirmities of the flesh, while on the cross. He is making a basic statement that Jesus Christ healed those physically were brought to Him, in His ministry of deliverance **'before'** the cross. **'in order that what Isaiah prophesied might be fulfilled of deliverance'**.

The Lord Jesus Christ and the apostles did not teach that man could claim his healing immediately;
Matthew 25:37-40; 1 Timothy 5:23; 2 Timothy 5:40

Jesus healed physically to substantiate and prove 'His deity'. He used these 'sign gifts of healing' to prove that He was God Himself; **'But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins (He saith to the sick of palsy) I say unto thee, arise and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house'. Mark 2:10.11**

Jesus also healed physically, to prove His future Kingdom's reality He was promised in His gospel and preaching thereof, were in fact real and verifiable by the present 'foretaste' of such sign miracles, when He performed them.

Jesus stated in Mark 2:9, that to forgive someone their sins and physically heal them as well, were both divine works that only God could do. The greatest work of Jesus Christ was accomplished on the cross when He atoned for the sins of the elect, there was no greater work which Jesus accomplished. Jesus Christ proved to the religious hypocrites (Pharisees), that He was God by healing the man with palsy, because the Pharisees would only believe if they saw a physical sign. The Pharisees appeared righteous, but were sick spiritually and had condemned their own souls, by their own words. This is why Jesus said; **'They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick; I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance'. – Mark 2:17**

Jesus Christ is the great physician who heals spiritually sick and condemned souls;
**'He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities.. and with His stripes we are healed'.
– Isaiah 53:5**

This of course is the greatest healing of them all, when one's sins are forgiven and covered.

While it is true that the ascended Christ, from His throne in heaven has poured out charismata (grace gifts), through His ministry of the Paraclete (the Holy Spirit), after He ascended to heaven, one of them being a genuine gift of physical healing; as evidenced in the gospels. **1 Corinthians 12:28** We cannot say these 'charismatic grace gifts' were given as an operative for 'all ages and dispensations' in the New Testament ekklesia.

It is also true that the Holy Spirit's true ministry of healing has nothing to do with this false satanic movement of claiming your healing which is being propagated by so-called Neo-Pentacostal and Charismatic faith healers, etc.

Besides all this, the book of James tells us how the New Testament ekklesia is to deal with sin and reconciliation of a backslidden member and how healing is to be sought after. How many churches today follow **James 5:14-16?**, and even if it is, most Neo-Pentacostals and Charismatics interpret the verse as the healing of the physical flesh. In James 5:15,16 the emphasis is on the spiritual healing of sins committed in the Christian's life, in order that he or she may be brought back into the fellowship of the ekklesia, after repenting.

Neo-Pentacostals and Charismatics would like everyone to believe that 'all' of the charismatic gifts, including the gift of physical healing by the 'laying on of hands' is still in operation today, and to suggest otherwise is deemed heretical and a lack of faith by them. On the contrary to what these religious hucksters and peddlers are deceptively propagating today, nowhere in all the Holy Scripture, does God state that 'all' His supernatural sign gifts would be 'all' in operation, 'all' during the same period of time.

God gave charismatic sign and wonders, as 'confirmatory signs', to accompany the preaching of His holy word, which in the first century was a 'new revelation'. Now that the ekklesia has the full revelation of God in the Bible, the New Testament ekklesia no longer needs such confirmatory signs such as tongues, and physical healings by the 'laying on of hands'. Satan of course would love to have everyone believe and practise otherwise.

It is a serious error theologically and hermeneutically, to believe the proposition that because God's attributes never change as **Hebrews 3:8 states; 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and yes forever'**... that therefore God's methods and dealings with sinners, is the same in every age or dispensation.

The fact is, God is not dealing the same way with the ekklesia today, as He dealt with the newly formed ekklesia or Israel of old. Nor will He deal the same way with the ekklesia today, as He will deal with Israel in the future.

Most today foolishly assume due to 'denominational bias', that because women prophesied in the newly empowered ekklesia as evidenced in **Acts 2:19**, that therefore women have the ability to prophecy today, because **Acts 2:17,18** seems to say so. And they use Joels prophecy to try and prove this. Pentacostals are famous for abusing the **Joel 2:17,18** prophecy to claim its for all the age of the ekklesia and not restricted to kingdom blessings in the future kingdom.

Peter on the day of Pentacost was speaking about the 'partial fulfillment' of Joel's prophecy, in regards to the Holy Spirit being poured out upon all flesh in the 'future kingdom'. The Holy Spirit has NOT baptized ALL FLESH in the future baptismal fire of judgment yet, so therefore the promise of... **'your sons and your daughters prophesying'** is not for today, in a prophetic predictive sense, regardless of what every feminist gender inclusive egalitarian has to state about this subject re full Kingdom Blessings now.

Another fact that most would like to ignore today is the 'silence of God', in this age or dispensation of grace. God is not speaking directly to His people today through miraculous signs and wonders as He did with Israel, and the apostolic ekklesia. God is speaking to His own today, through His written word, the bible.

Anybody today who claims to hear God speaking to them, in an audible voice, like He did in the Old Testament times to various chosen people like the prophets, is deceived and is a liar, as are also those who claim to have the gift of apostolic healings of the flesh.

When God's true sheep (the elect) will come face to face with Jesus Christ, then we will receive new resurrected bodies that will endure forever. We will not need physical healing then. It is guaranteed that His true disciples will be perfected then, and all corruption will be put away permanently, but unto then we all must accept the **'fact'** that we in some way, shall suffer from the natural consequences of being in a corrupt and imperfect and sin cursed world.