

WHAT HINDERS HEALING PART 2

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE & FAILURE TO DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM

Many people seek healing from Jesus before they have heard or even know enough about what the Bible teaches regarding healing. Consequently, they never produce within themselves a steadfast FAITH. The church today had a welfare mentality concerning healing - i.e. I have a need so gimme gimme healing, you owe it to me and I shouldn't have to do anything to get it. You do need to have FAITH to appropriate the healing power of God. And there is only one way to acquire FAITH according to the scriptures.

Rom 10:17

17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
(KJV)

God's way of producing faith for healing is to seek His word diligently and to seek Him diligently FIRST.

John 8:32

32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
(KJV)

It is the truth we understand and receive and act upon that makes us free.

Paul told us in 1 Thes 2: 11-13;

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11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children,

12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, **when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.**

(KJV)

F.F.Bosworth said in Christ The Healer, "The Word of God is the "precious seed," the "imperishable seed," the seed that has the power and which never fails to do it's own work when **known** and **received** and **kept** in the "good ground" in which alone good seed can grow. The seed cannot work in us unless it is in us by our having known and received it."

THIS IS THE VERY REASON WHY WE ALL NEED TO CONTINUALLY MAINTAIN THE WORD OF GOD ON THE SUBJECT OF HEALING. THE WORD IS ALITTLE LIKE MANNA. WE WON'T GET HEALED TODAY ON THE REVELATION WE HAD CONCERNING HEALING LAST YEAR. THAT WOULD BE LIKE THINKING THE TYLENOL YOU TOOK LAST YEAR WILL CURE THE HEADACHE YOU HAVE TODAY.

Look at what the Word says;

Prov 4:20-23

20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
22 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.
23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

(KJV)

Attend to my words - means to give your undistracted, undivided attention to it. Give time, thought, and meditation to the Word. Continually give the Word FIRST PLACE in your life. More so if you have symptoms.

Incline thine ears - Open your understanding to accept God's Word as truth with supernatural power. Seek after knowledge. Put your physical ears in the position to hear God's word.

Listen to the Amplified version of Mark 4:23-25;

"If any man has ears to hear, let him be listening, and let him perceive and comprehend. And He said to them, Be careful what you are hearing. The measure of thought and study you give to the truth you hear will be the measure of virtue and knowledge that comes back to you - and more besides will be given to you who hear. For to him who has will more be given and from him who has nothing will be taken away by force."

This refers to a passionate, not a passive listener.

Let them not depart from thine eyes - Keep you eyes on the Word of God. Do not look at circumstances or feelings. They are contrary to your healing. Jesus said "the light of the body is the eye.

Matt 6:22

22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

(KJV)

The eye is the gateway to the body. If your eye is single on the Word of God, your whole body will be full of light and no sickness (darkness) can remain. The single eye allow no sickness (darkness) to enter. If we look at the sickness(darkness), then there is no light to drive out the darkness (sickness). This is the reason why Moses told Israel to look upon the serpent on the pole which was a type of Jesus (who is THE WORD)

Num 21:6-9

6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

7 Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

(KJV)

Keep them in the midst of thine heart - You do this when you meditate and act on the word of God.

They are life unto those that find them and health to ALL their flesh. - God's Word is our medicine.

We do not want to lack knowledge. Insufficient instruction only results in insufficient faith. We do not want to be like the people God talked to in Hosea.

Hosea 4:6

6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

(KJV)

2 Tim 2:15

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

(KJV)

Col 3:16-17

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.
WE SEEK TO KNOW THE WORD, BUT WE ALSO SHOULD SEEK HIM, OUR HEALER!

ANOTHER REASON WHY HEALING IS HINDERED IS FAILURE TO DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM

Heb 11:6

6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that **he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**
(KJV)

The word "**diligent**" means, to be eager; to make haste; to put forth effort; and always refers to having a sense of urgency.

The word "**seek**" means, to search out; to desire or crave; to demand; to investigate; to seek until completion.

This scripture reminds me of a woman in the Bible who was sick and desperate enough to be diligent. We read about her in Matt 9:20.

Mark 5:21-34

21 And when Jesus was passed over again by ship unto the other side, much people gathered unto him: and he was nigh unto the sea.

22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,

23 And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.

24 And Jesus went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

25 And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,

26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?

31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude **thronging** thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.
33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.
34 And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.
(KJV)

The word **throng** means - to compress, to crowd on all sides

Mark 6:56

56 And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole.
(KJV)

Mark 3:9-11

9 And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him.
10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.
11 And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou art the Son of God.
(KJV)

Mark 8:22-25

22 And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and **besought** him to touch him.
23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.
24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.
25 After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly.
(KJV)

The word **besought** means - to call near, to implore, to ask earnestly.

Mark 10:13

13 And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.
(KJV)

Luke 6:19

19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed them all.

(KJV)

Luke 5:1

1 And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,
(KJV)

Mark 7:25-30

25 For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

26 The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

27 But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs.

28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

29 And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

(KJV)

In the book of Matthew, referring to the same woman, the Word says,

Matt 15:28

28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, **great is thy faith:** be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

(KJV)

Luke 7:1-10

1 Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this:

5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof:

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so **great faith**, no, not in Israel.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

(KJV)

To seek means - To seek after, to seek for, to seek the means.

Seek after healing, seek for the answer, seek the means who is the healer, Jesus.

I want to end with a certain scripture about a skin disease because there is a woman who is here from out of state who has suffered a long time with a terminal illness that I was miraculously cured of years ago.

Luke 5:12-13

12 And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

13 And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

(KJV)

As I studied the Greek words to understand the meaning of the word "seek" I found this;

(2065) = to question. To ask for a favor

(1189) = to search for something hidden

(4441) = to inquire

(2212) = to demand something rightfully yours

(154) = the idea of urgent need

all of these original Greek words for seeking him, diligently seeking him, brought to remembrance Luke 11:9-14.

Luke 11:9-14

9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

14 And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.

(KJV)

ASK - IT WILL BE GIVEN

SEEK - YOU SHALL FIND

KNOCK - IT SHALL BE OPENED

BE LIKE THE PEOPLE OF CHRIST'S DAY, PRESS HIM, BESEECH HIM, THROG HIM, TOUCH HIM, BECAUSE HE IS HERE IN THIS PLACE RIGHT NOW TO MAKE YOU WHOLE.