

## The Biblical basis for healing

*Goals: To receive faith for healing as you hear this message, that it is in God's nature to heal, that Jesus came to show the Father's will and Jesus commissioned us to do the same works and even greater than He did!*

*Some handles:*

*- Truth and fact. You can face the fact. (I have flu, or cancer, be real) But the truth is that on the cross Jesus saved you completely. This includes healing. This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: "He took our illnesses and bore our diseases." Matt 8:17 (ESV)*

*Let the truth change the fact. Rom 4:19-20 - Abraham faced the fact that his body was as good as dead, but, v20 ESV - no distrust made him waver*

*1- It is in God's nature to heal, it flows from His nature, it's even in His Name.*

*Exodus 15:26 - for I am the LORD who heals you*

*(Remember, Israel by choice are under the law) but God's intention even in the OC is to heal.*

*Jehovah Rapha - LORD, Yahweh, Jehovah (God who saves by the blood of the lamb)*

*Rapha - Hebrew word: to mend, to cure, heal, physician, to thoroughly make whole*

*So, Jehovah Rapha - The LORD that heals*

*In both covenants (promise) signs and wonders are part of each Covenant*

*Exodus 34:10 And he said, "Behold, I am making a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels, such as have not been created in all the earth or in any nation. And all the people among whom you are shall see the work of the LORD, for it is an awesome thing that I will do with you.*

*Hebrews 2:3-4 how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, <sup>4</sup> while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.*

*When the 2 million Israelites left Egypt, not 1 was sick – the Passover was replaced by communion, the New Covenant!*

## **2- Jesus came to show the Father's will and heart**

*It was prophesied that when the Messiah came, signs, wonders, healings and miracles would take place.*

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. **4** Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." **5** Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; **6** then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert Isaiah 35:3-6 (ESV)

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; **2** to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; Isaiah 61:1-2 (ESV)

*Then Jesus begins quoting these scriptures*

**"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, **19** to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."**  
**20** And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. **21** And he began to say to them, **"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."** Luke 4:18-21 (ESV)

And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'" **21** In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. **22** And he answered them, **"Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. **23** And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."** Luke 7:20-23 (ESV)

*What Jesus is saying is firstly, I am the Messiah and secondly, this was prophesied and look what Father has for you. I have come to show you and fulfil what is written in the scriptures.*

3- *Every Christian commissioned to go and heal.* (Don't let anyone tell you God has stopped healing. Actually, the church has stopped believing) Acts 2:39 - The promise is for all; gifts of the Spirit are clear in 1 Cor 12

Some scriptures:

*Luke 10:9* Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

*Mark 16:17-18* And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; **18** they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

*John 14:12* "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father

*Matt 10:8* Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.

*Mark 6:7,12-13* So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. **13** And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them

*Matt 28:19* And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

4- *What is the scope of healing?*

*Psalms 103:2-3* Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits-- **3** who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

*Matt 8:16* That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.

*Matt 12:15* Jesus, aware of this, withdrew from there. And many followed him, and he healed them all **16** and ordered them not to make him known

*Matt 14:36* And when the men of that place recognized him, they sent around to all that region and brought to him all who were sick **36** and implored him that they might only touch the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

*Mark 6:56* They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. **56** And wherever he went--into villages, towns or countryside--they

placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched him were healed

*Luke 4:40* Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them.

*Acts 5:16* The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

*Does anyone want to question the fact that God wants to heal all diseases (because they are not from Him)?*

### ***5- The basis for healing***

- a) *The atonement - Matt 8:17 and 1Peter 2:24 clearly relate healing to the blood atonement of Jesus as prophesied in Isaiah.*

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. **5** But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. Isaiah 53:4-5 (NIV)

*Matt 8:17* That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. **17** This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: "He took our illnesses and bore our diseases."

*1 Peter 2:24* He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

*Communion has replaced the Passover and is the New covenant.*

*When taking communion we are actually proclaiming Isa 53.*

*When praying for people:*

2 Cor 4:13 Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, **14** knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence

*We speak out what we believe - we have absolute confidence in the Word of God because it is true. I hold fast to His Word, not my experience, and I rest in the finished work of the cross.*

*- Healing is a ing word, like running, jumping etc. It is a process, an active word and you are in the process of healing. So once you have been prayed for, just believe you are in the process, its happening. Trust for 30, 60 and 100 fold healing.*

*- Your body naturally heals unless there is a blockage. We have authority to remove blockages.*

*- Healings(progressive) and miracles(instant)*

*- Give time for recovery (after forgiving someone, the wound is still tender) You are in recovery after surgery.*

*Remember Ps 103 - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases*

*Often healing and forgiveness of sins goes hand in hand- remember all our and their sins have been forgiven. Ie. We can tell people God is not angry, they are not being punished, it is the enemy stealing, their sins are forgiven. Lets tell them about God. Eg. Jesus says He has authority to forgive sins. We have authority to heal because their sins are forgiven, it's a given!*