

Chapter 1:

Does God Heal?

I. Does God ever Heal?

A. God Has Healed in the Past.

1. Genesis 20:17 - So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.
2. Leviticus 13:18 - The flesh also, in which, even in the skin thereof, was a boil, and is healed,
3. Leviticus 13:37 - But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and that there is black hair grown up therein; the scall is healed, he is clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.
4. 1 Samuel 6:3 - And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not empty; but in any wise return him a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you. (KJV)
5. II Kings 2:21 - And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land. (KJV)
6. 2 Chronicles 30:20 - And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people. (KJV)
7. Psalm 30:2 - O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me. (KJV)
8. Psalm 107:20 - He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.
9. Isaiah 6:10 - Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.
10. Isaiah 53:5 - But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. (KJV)
11. Psalm 103:3 - Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; (KJV)

B. God has promised to Heal in the Future.

1. Revelation 22:2 - In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. (KJV)

C. God Never Changes.

1. Malachi 3:6 - For I am the LORD, I change not; (KJV)

2. Hebrews 13:8 - Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever. (KJV)

II. Common Fallacies:

A. Fallacy #1 - God Does Not Heal Today.

1. If God never changes - if He ever healed, He will heal again under the right circumstances. God cannot arbitrarily choose to heal one person and leave another sick, that would violate God's Word which tells us that He is not a respecter of persons.
 - a. He is a respecter of faith however, and to be totally fair He must make faith available to anyone.
 - b. Faith is the only requirement that God can require and remain just.
 - c. Faith is available to anyone that will "only believe".
2. Romans 2:11 - For there is no respect of persons with God. (KJV)
3. Ephesians 6:9 - And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him. (KJV)
4. Colossians 3:25 - But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons. (KJV)

B. Fallacy #2 - God Does Not Heal In This Current "Dispensation".

1. **What dispensation is that?** (See point 1 below)
2. **What dispensation are we in?** (Again see point 1 below)
3. **Who categorized the dispensations?** (Where, in the Bible, are the dispensations listed?) I am not disputing the reality of dispensations, just man's arrogance for deciding for God what He cannot or will not do.
4. **In which of the "dispensations" has God stated that He would not heal?**
 - a. The Apostle Peter categorized his day as "the last days" when he depicted the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost as the beginning of the fulfillment of the prophecy spoken by the Prophet Joel (2:28).
 - b. Acts 2:14-43 – 14. But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: 15. For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. (*Apparently, men appearing drunk when filled with the Spirit was to be a normal experience during this "dispensation".*) 16. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 17. And it shall come to pass **in the last days**, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: 18. And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out **in those days** of my Spirit; and they shall

prophecy: 19. And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke: 20. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: 21. **And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.** (*Are “men” still calling upon the Name of the Lord and being saved? If so, we must still be in “those days”*) 22. Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: (*This is still how God approves a man’s ministry.*) 32. This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. 33. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and **having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he bath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.** 37. Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? 38. Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. (*Apparently, this is referring to what has just been witnessed by these men.*) 39. For the promise (the gift of the Holy Ghost) is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off even as many as the Lord our God shall call. (*As long as the Lord shall call people, they can receive the promise, the gift of the Holy Ghost.*) 40. And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. 41. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. 42. And they continued stedfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. (*The above constituted the bulk of the Apostle’s doctrine until, and following, the first Jerusalem council.*) 43. And fear came upon every soul: (*This doesn’t happen much anymore*) and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. (*Probably because this doesn’t happen much anymore.*)

C. When did healing stop? - Church History

1. Healing and miracles have been recorded throughout Church history. As a matter of fact, there has never been a time when, somewhere in the earth, healings were not known to the church. If you begin to study church history you will find that those who were known to be fervent in faith toward God, were also known to experience miraculous healing and other gifts of the Spirit. When people began to turn their hearts toward God, He always

responds by manifesting Himself through the same means He has always manifested Himself which is through signs and wonders.

2. If you begin to compare the dates of recorded miracles and healings you will also find that they will correspond with dates of revivals in the church. Even the leading figures of the well known Awakenings and Revivals were accustomed to the miraculous.
3. John Wesley recorded over 200 healings in his journals alone. Charles Finney recorded several healings and “miracles”.
- D. **If one person, at any time, since the “Apostolic Days” has been healed, it proves God still heals.**

(Testimonies)

(The following are excerpts taken from the “Year in Review” Issue of “The Apostolic Mission” Newsletter, Jan. 1999)

1. March 8, 1998 - Bro. Blake Ministered in Nocona, Texas.
Bro. Blake told the congregation that if anyone was sick and would come forward they would be healed. Thirty-four responded to the call. Every person that came for healing, left healed.
2. May - Aug. - Held Emmanuel School of Ministry in Sherman, Tx. Course: Divine Healing. Every person attending the school that needed physical healing was healed.
3. **We recorded over 100 healings during this period.**
4. Aug. 10 - Bro. Curry Blake was featured on KMPX channel 29 in Dallas on the “Celebration with Marcus and Joni Lamb” program. **Over 300 calls** came in for prayer and/or healing during the 30 min. program. Over the next three weeks JGLM received **another 346 calls** because of the program, and even now letters and calls still come in daily for healing and other needs. Of the 646 calls for healing received during the month of August, **586 were healed instantly or within 24 hours after ministry**, 43 reported they were healed within 2 weeks, 15 we have not heard from.
5. Shortly after Christmas, Bro. & Sis. Blake had to go to Dillard’s at Valley View Mall so Sis. Blake could exchange a gift. While there Bro. Blake noticed a little, elderly Hispanic woman with a little boy (her grandson), who seemed to be lost, because she kept wandering around. Bro. Blake noticed that when she walked she did not put her weight on her right foot (heel). Bro. Blake began to follow her around the store. Finally after determining that there was indeed something wrong with her foot, he approached her. She could not speak any English and Bro. Blake only speaks enough Spanish to order Tacos at Taco Bell. After a short time of hand signals and universal motions, Bro. Blake was allowed to pray for her foot. He knelt down in the aisle of the store (with shoppers passing by giving strange

looks as to why a “white” man would be holding this little Spanish woman’s foot in his hands) and began thanking God for the opportunity to minister healing to this person. He then commanded healing to flow into the foot and for the foot to be totally healed. When he finished, he stood up, took the woman by the arm and led her around, making sure she put her heel down with each step. After a short walk, he then asked her if she had any pain. She said no. Bro. Blake told her that Jesus Christ had made her well, and she said “Jesus”. When she walked away she did not limp or “favor” the foot in any way.

6. Laurie B. – (Referred to the Blake’s by Peter T.) Told by Doctors that she had only a few months to live. They told her to make video tapes and write letters so that her baby son would have some way to remember her when he grew up. Doctors had removed her female organs and one lung. She comes from a Baptist background. The healing power of God came upon her while being ministered to. She had no idea what was happening and was almost slain in the Spirit, having to be caught by Peter T. After ministry, she stated that “something” went “whoosh” through her body from head to toe. Doctor’s later told her that they could find nothing serious enough to warrant an operation.
7. Peter T. - Diagnosed by Doctors as having Mercury Poisoning, and intestinal and digestive problems. Ministered to by Bro. Curry Blake, after 4 years of treatment by doctors (with no positive results) Peter came for prayer. He was healed of Mercury poisoning on 1st visit, healed of chronic pain on 2nd visit, and healed of stomach disorder on 3rd visit. (Bro. Blake did not pray for the stomach disorder, rather he simply told Peter that if he would go drink and eat whatever he wanted right then, he would be healed from then on. Peter did just that and was instantly and permanently healed.)
8. A few weeks ago, Peter T. went to the Blake’s (at approx. 1:30 a.m.) after being told that a woman (that he did not know) had passed out at work and when taken to the Hospital, was diagnosed with a brain aneurysm. She was still unconscious and the outlook was not good. Peter asked if Bro. Blake would go with him to the Hospital right then. Bro. Blake, knowing that the Hospital would not let them in at that hour said that he would pray for the woman before bed. Peter and Bro. Blake agreed to go to the Hospital early the next morning. Later, while praying for the woman, he commanded healing and life to enter the woman’s body and brain, he commanded the spirit of death to be broken and told the devil that if the woman died he would go to her and raise her up and God would only get more glory. The next morning when Bro. Blake arose, he found Peter asleep in his car,

waiting to go to the Hospital. Bro. Blake called the Hospital to find out where the lady was. The Hospital replied that they could only go in during visiting hours. The desk nurse then put Bro. Blake in contact with the family waiting room where he was able to talk to the woman's family. The daughter seemed to have a hard time accepting the fact that someone would want to pray for someone they had never met. She then stated that her mother had regained consciousness early that morning and could recognize everyone by name. The hospital had run tests but could not find anything so they were going to send her to Dallas for more tests because they thought their machines weren't good enough to detect the problem. Bro. Blake told the daughter that they would not find anything because God had healed the woman. The woman was sent to Dallas and tested. The tests could find nothing wrong. She was kept 24 hours for observation and released. The next day she was home resting and doing well.

These are just a few of the testimonies that we have documented in the last 12 months.

E. God Heals Some But Doesn't Heal Others.

1. God is no respecter of persons - what He does for one He will do for another. (See Point 2.a)
2. This belief stems from a wrong conception of how and why God heals.(See later chap.)

Chapter 2:

Who Does God Heal?

I. Who Has God Healed?

- A. Scriptural accounts of various types of people healed by God.
- B. God has healed every type of person, from Kings to prostitutes, pagans to prophets.

II. Who has God Promised to Heal?

A. Scriptural Healing Promises.

- 1. God has promised to heal anyone with faith.
- a. Luke 17:5-6 - And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith. And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.
- b. Mark 11:22-24 - 22. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 23. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this i4iouilain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. 24. Therefore I say unto you, What things so ever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. (KJV)
- c. Isaiah 57: 17-19 - 17. For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart. 18. I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners. 19. I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the LORD; and I will heal him. (KJV)
- d. Matt 8:5-7 - 5. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, 6. And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. 7. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. (KJV)
- e. Matt 13:15 - For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
- B. You can see by the above verses that God has promised to heal anyone that turns from their evil ways. By the following verses you can clearly see that in each instance it was their faith that caused their healing, not just the arbitrary "Will of God". In each example there was no other requirement or ingredient besides faith. Even those who were sick because of sin were

healed and their sins forgiven. Jesus simply went around doing good and healing **ALL** that were oppressed of the devil. (Acts 10:38) He went about wiping the slate clean for each person that came for help.

1. Matt 9:2 - And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee. (KJV)
2. Matt 9:22 - But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said. Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. (KJV)
3. Matt 9:29 - Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.
4. Matt 15:28 - 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.
5. Mark 2:5 - When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee. (KJV)
6. Mark 5:34 - And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague. (KJV)
7. Mark 10:52 - And Jesus said unto him, go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way. (KJV)
8. Luke 5:18-20 – 18. And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before him. 19. And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with his couch into the midst before Jesus. 20. And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.
9. Luke 7:50 - And he said to the woman, Thy Faith hath saved thee; go in peace.
10. Luke 8:48 - And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace. (KJV)
11. Luke 17:19 - And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.
12. Luke 18:42 - And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.
13. Acts 3:1-16 – 1. Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. 2. And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; 3. Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked

an alms. 4. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. 5. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. 6. Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. 7. And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. 8. And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. 9. And all the people saw him walking and praising God: 10. And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him. 11. And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering. 12. And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? 13. The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go. 14. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; 15. And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses. 16. And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. (KJV)

III. **“Whosoever” Means YOUsoever.**

- A. We sing “Just as I am” - believing that God will accept us into His family “just as we are”, yet we cannot believe He would heal us just as we are. We know we cannot be good enough to warrant being saved, but we somehow believe we can be good enough to warrant being healed.
- B. We are very quick to put ourselves into the category of the “whosoever” concerning forgiveness of sins, salvation, and “going to Heaven”, but when it comes to the “whosoever” for answered prayer and having the power of the Spirit of God demonstrated in our life, we, suddenly start backpedaling and trying to put all the responsibility on God.

Chapter 3:

When Does God Heal?

I. When Does God Promise To Heal?

- A. When You Pray - Mark 11:24 - Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. (KJV)
- B. When You Believe - Mark 11:22-24 - 22. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 23. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. 24. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. (KSV)
- C. When You Pray for Others - James 5:16 - Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
- D. When **YOU** call for the Elders and they pray the prayer of faith. James 5:14-15 – 14. Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: 15. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. (KJV)

Notice: The Elders must pray the **PRAYER** of **FAITH** **NOT** the prayer of **Doubt** and **UNBELIEF**. This verse also says that if you have committed sins they will be forgiven. Unforgiven sin will not hinder your healing. But once you are healed you should “go and sin no more lest a worse thing come upon you”.

II. When Did Healing Become a Fact?

- A. At The Atonement.
 - 1. Malt 8:17 - That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. (KJV)
This verse was applied to Jesus, yet it refers to events (healings) before the atonement.
 - 2. Isaiah 53:4-6 – 4. Surely he hath borne our grief's, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 6. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned

every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. (KJV)

III. Brazen Serpent - Jesus Lifted up.

A. First let's prove that Jesus linked Himself to the brass serpent that Moses lifted up in the wilderness.

1. John 3:14-15 – 14. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: 15. That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. (KJV)

Here we see Jesus using the brazen serpent as an example and a “shadow” or type of how He would be “lifted up”. Now let's see what effect raising the brazen serpent in the wilderness had on the people of God. We should also point out that the reason the people were attacked by serpents was because they had sinned. Their sin was complaining. Could this be why so many people in the church today are sick? Have they complained and have not repented?

2. Numbers 21:4-9 – 4. And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way.

(Notice they became discouraged because of their hard journey. Most people today would say they had a reason to complain, they were discouraged, and things were not going well. But God still counted it as sin.)

3. 5. And the people spake against God, and against Moses. Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread. *(The sin that caused so many to die was that they “spake against” God and His appointed leader.)*

4. 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)

(The scripture says that God “sent” the fiery serpents. I have heard many people try to explain away this verse, trying to protect God's image. Some say “sent” in the Hebrew, is in the permissive tense which would mean that

God allowed the fiery serpents to attack them. I have no real problem with that. That would also imply that the sowing of sin would also cause a reaping of the consequences, which is a Biblical principle. But the fact is that even if God did literally send the fiery serpents (the consequences of sin) He would still be just because the people did sin. The Righteous Judge has a right to judge righteously. This would also show us how willing God is to forgive and heal once the sinner repents.)

- IV. **The wine and the bread** - if physical healing wasn't in the atonement we would not need the bread which represents His body.

Chapter 4:

Why Does God Heal?

I. God Heals Because It is His Nature to Save/Heal.

- A. It is God's nature to give good things not evil things.
 - 1. James 1:17 - Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. (KJV)
 - 2. Matt 7:8-11 – 8. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. 9. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? 10. Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? 11. If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?
- B. To give life abundantly - John 10:10 - The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. (KJV)
- C. Jesus referred to the people as “sick” and He as the “Physician” - Matt 9:12 - But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. (KJV) (See also Luke 5:31)
- D. Jesus classified the sick and the sinner under one category just as He identified the two categories in John 10:10 - Mark 2:17 - When Jesus heard it, he saith unto them, 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. (KJV)
- E. Here Jesus specifically refers to Himself as the Physician - Luke 4:23 - And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country. (KJV)
- F. God's thoughts of you are only good - Jeremiah 29:11-13 – 11. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. 12. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. 13. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.
- G. God's Name is Jehovah-Rapha - Which means: “**I AM** the Lord that heals” - Exod 15:26 - And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the

LORD that healeth thee. (The Hebrew word used here is Jehovah-Rapha.)(KJV)

II. God Heals Because His Enemy Makes People Sick.

A. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil (adversary).

1. I John 3:8 - He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. (KJV)
2. Matt 12:15 - But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all.
3. Luke 6:17-19 – 17. And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him. and to be healed of their diseases; 18. And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. 19. And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed them all. (KJV)
4. Acts 10:38 - How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. (KJV)
In all these verses Jesus is shown to healing, saving, delivering, setting free, and unloosing people from every type of physical, mental, and spiritual hindrance regardless of how small or large.

B. Now let's look at a case in point.

1. Luke 13:10-17 – 10. And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. 11. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.
(This woman had been in this condition for eighteen years, most likely coming to the synagogue regularly, yet those in leadership had never helped her.)
2. 12. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.
(Jesus told the woman she was loosed while she was still bowed over. This is preaching (proclaiming) deliverance to the captives.)
3. 13. And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. *(Jesus spoke and then acted He did not just teach. He demonstrated the gospel. A gospel (good news) that is not demonstrated is not good news but rather cruel teasing.)* 14. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath

day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day.

(This is always the reaction of a religious spirit. Notice that they did not argue over whether or not Jesus could heal or would heal, which would have been useless since Jesus was doing it right in front of them. The religious spirit will always condemn you for doing what they know they should be doing, but aren't. Usually their tactic involves condemning the way you are doing it more than whether or not you should be doing it. They were saying that there were other days in which to heal, yet they were not doing on any day.)

4. 15. The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering?

(This shows God's viewpoint of acting one way in day to day affairs and another in religious affairs. Anyone that separates their life into a "real life" category and a "church" category is a hypocrite. Anyone that does more for an animal than they would or do for a human is a hypocrite.)

5. 16. And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?

(The only reason Jesus gave for the woman's healing was the fact that she was a daughter of Abraham. Paul said that the true children of Abraham were those that were Jews in the heart and not by the flesh. He went on to say that anyone of faith was a Jew. Since this is the only reason Jesus gave, it should be enough for anyone. We also see that she had been bound for 18 years and that; Jesus said that Satan had bound her for 18 years. He also proved that no day should be too special for a child of God to minister healing or be healed.)

6. 17. And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him. (KJV)

(This will always be the result of faith and healing, God's adversaries will be ashamed and the people will rejoice and glorify God)

III. God Heals Because Jesus Paid For Mankind's Healing.

- A. You are not your own - you are bought with a price. I Corinthians 6:19-20 – 19. What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20. For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. (KJV)

- B. Jesus suffered your sickness so you would not have to.

1. Malt 8:17 - That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. (KJV)
2. 1 Peter 2:24 - Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. (KJV)
- C. Healing is in the atonement - (See above) Matt. 8:17 / 1 Pet. 2:24
- D. Your body is the Temple of the Holy Ghost. (1 Corinthians 6:19)
 1. If sickness in the Old Testament made people "unclean" why would the Holy Ghost want to reside in a polluted body?
- E. You are the church which is the body of Christ. Ephesians 1:22-23 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. (KJV)
 1. Did Jesus plan on having a disabled, sick, diseased body?
 2. Under the Old Covenant a person was not even eligible to be a priest unless their body was without defect.

IV. God Heals because healing, salvation, and deliverance are all the same to Him.

To God there is no difference in the size of the need. He does not have to exert Himself anymore to heal than to save. Man is the only creature than categorizes things in this manner. God has not differentiated between the two. The devil, the enemy of God and man is the originator of the idea that we must decide between the two or be satisfied with salvation from sin. The very word used in the Bible for salvation means health, healing, deliverance, prosperity, peace, and wholeness. Salvation is the all-inclusive word in the Bible which clearly defines Gods attitude and will for us. In the absolute truest sense of the meaning of the word "salvation", we can not say that we are truly and totally "saved" unless all of the above definition can be applied to every area of our life. If you have accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior but remain in sickness, you cannot claim to be "saved to the uttermost", this does not mean that if you died or if Jesus returned that you would not go to Heaven. It just means that there is more of the blood of Jesus that can be applied to areas in your life. By the same token, if you are healed of a disease but have not made Jesus your Lord, you are not totally saved either. Here's another way to look at this: A man with a terminal disease was drowning in a river and a person came along and pulled them out. We could say that the drowning man was "saved", yet he still has the terminal disease and will die unless something happens. The

man that pulled the drowning man from the river is a “savior” in a limited way.

But what if the man with the terminal disease was pulled from the river by a doctor that knew the cure for the terminal disease?

Now the man that pulled the drowning man from the river is his “savior” in a wider capacity. This is obviously a picture of God and man. God can be your limited Savior or He can be your complete Savior. We must not limit God in our lives. We must remember what happened to those who limited God in the Old Testament.

- A. Psalm 78:1-72 - 1 Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. 2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old: 3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us. 4. We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done. 5. For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: 6. That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children: 7. That they might set their hope in God and not forget the works of God but keep his commandments: 8. And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God. 9. The children of Ephraim, being armed and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle. 10. They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law; 11. And forgot his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them. 12. Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan. 13. He divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made the waters to stand as an heap. 14. In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire. 15. He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as out of the great depths. 16. He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers. 17. And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High in the wilderness. 18. And they tempted God in their heart **by** asking meat for their lust. 19. Yea, they spake against God; they said, Can God furnish a table in the wilderness? 20. Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed; can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people? 21. Therefore the LORD heard this, and was wroth: so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel; 22. Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation: 23. Though he had

commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven, 24. And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven. 25. Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full. 26. He caused an east wind to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south wind. 27. He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea: 28. And he let it fall in the midst of their camp, round about their habitations. 29. So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their own desire; 30. They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat was yet in their mouths, 31. The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them, and smote down the chosen men of Israel. 32. For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works. 33. Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble. 34. When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and inquired early after God. 35. And they remembered that God was their rock, and the high God their redeemer. 36. Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth and they lied unto him with their tongues. 37. For their heart was not right with him, neither were they stedfast in his covenant 38. **But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea, many at time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.** 39. For he remembered that they were but flesh; a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again. 40. How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert! 41. Yea they turned back and tempted God and limited the Holy One of Israel. 42. They remembered not his hand, nor the day when he delivered them from the enemy. 43. How he had wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zoan: 44. And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink. 45. He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them. 46. He gave also their increase unto the caterpillar, and their labour unto the locust. 47. He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycamore trees with frost 48. He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to hot thunderbolts. 49. He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them. 50. He made a way to his anger, he spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence; 51. And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of their strength in the tabernacles of Ham: 52. But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock. 53. And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea overwhelmed their enemies. 54. And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, even to this mountain, which his right hand had purchased.

55. He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents. 56. Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God and kept not his testimonies: 57. But turned back and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow. 58. For they provoked him to anger with their high places and moved him to jealousy with their graven images. 59. When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel: 60. So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which he placed among men; 61. And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand. 62. He gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with his inheritance. 63. The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not given to marriage. 64. Their priests fell by the sword; and their widows made no lamentation. 65. Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, and like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine. 66. And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach. 67. Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim: 68. But chose the tribe of Judith, the mount Zion which he loved. 69. And he built his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth which he hath established for ever. 70. He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds: 71. From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance. 72. So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart, and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

- B. You can see by this Psalm that God expects those to whom and through whom He shows His power, to stay close to Him, to tell of His wondrous works, to pass on their faith to their children. The Hebrews tempted and provoked God by limiting Him. If we are under a better covenant, how much more should we remember His works? Do not limit God. Is there anything to hard for Him?

V. Scriptural Reasons God Heals.

- A. Psalm 9 1:14-16 - 14. Because he hath set his love upon me therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, **because he hath known my name.** 15. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him 16. With long life will I satisfy him and shew him my salvation. (KJV)
- B. In Deuteronomy 28 we are told what will happen if we obey God and what will happen if we disobey God. Healing of every sickness and disease is under the blessings listed if we obey God and those same sicknesses and diseases are listed as the curse that shall come upon us if we do not obey

God. If you have sinned and became sick or diseased, it is an easy thing to repent, receive forgiveness and be healed.

- C. If you are converted, you should be healed. Mart 13:14-15 – 14. And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: 15. For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
- D. Psalm 103:1-6 - 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: 3. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; 4. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowned' thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; 5. Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. 6. The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed. (KJV)

*(We are commanded not to forget **ALL** His benefits. Yet that is what we do. These are His benefits - He forgives **All** our sin and sins **AND He HEALS All** our diseases. These are the two compartments that man must deal with in this life - the spiritual and the physical. If what was just said did not clear it up God then reiterates by saying that He redeems our life from destruction and He crowns us with lovingkindness and tender mercies, not sickness and crippling afflictions. If you will look at most of the healings Jesus performed you will find that they were performed in answer to a cry for **MERCY**. In verse 6 we are told that the Lord executes righteousness and judgment for (or in favor of) everyone that is oppressed This does not mean that God is the one judging the oppressed because that would not be in keeping with the spirit of what is being written in this passage of scripture. It is obviously saying that God judges in favor of the oppressed meaning that He judges righteously when He declares that the oppressed are to be freed. We are also told in Psalm 34:19 - Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.)*

Chapter 5:

Where Does God Heal?

I. Bible Places God Has Healed People.

A. **In Church - Synagogue.** Mark 1:21-28 – 21. And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the Sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught. 22. And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes. 23. And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit and he cried out 24. Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? Art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. 25. And Jesus rebuked him saying Hold thy peace, and come out of him. 26. And when the unclean spirit had torn him and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him. 27. And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, what thing is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority commanded' he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him. 28. And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.

B. In the Market Place and in the public streets.

1. Mark 1:32-34 – 32. And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils. 33. And all the city was gathered together at the door. 34. And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him. (KJV)
2. Acts 14:8-11 – 8. And there sat a certain man at Lystra. impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: 9. The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, 10. Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked. 11. And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, the gods are come down to us in the likeness of men. (KJV)
3. Acts 5:12-16 – 12. And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. 13. And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them. 14. And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.) 15. Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

16. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: **and they were healed every one.**

4. Mark 10:46-52 – 46. And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the highway side begging. 47. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. 48. And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. 49. And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee. 50. And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. 51. And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. 52. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way. (KJV)

C. In Homes:

1. In Jewish homes.

- a. Matt 8:14-15 – 14. And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. 15. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. (KJV)
- b. Acts 20:7-12 – 7. And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. 8. And there were many lights in the upper chamber where they were gathered together. 9. And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft and was taken up dead. 10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him. 11. When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed. 12. And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted. (KJV)
- c. Mark 1:29-31 – 29. And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. 30. But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her. 31. And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.

2. **In Gentile homes.** Malt 8:5-13 – 5. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion,. (A gentile) beseeching him, 6. And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. 7. And Jesus saith unto him I will come and heal him. 8. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. 9. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. 10. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. 11. And I say unto you, that many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. 12. But the children of the kingdom shall be east out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 13. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour. (KJV)

D. In the Desert. (The Israelites)

1. **For 40 years they were either kept healthy or healed.**
2. Numbers 21:7-9 – 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.

E. In Bondage. (The Israelites being set free)

1. Not one feeble among their numbers. Psalm 107:37 - He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes. (KJV)
2. The Hebrew word kashal (kaw-shal'); translated here as "feeble" is number 3782 in the Strong's Concordance and means: to totter or waver (through weakness of the legs, especially the ankle); by implication, to falter, stumble, faint or fall. Obviously they (the Hebrews) were not a sick, diseased bunch of people. The idea that there would not be even 1 person sick or diseased or "weak and tottering" in a nation of 1 to 3 million people, is obviously not very realistic. Anyone that had been sick, was apparently healed as they partook of the passover meal the night before they left their bondage. The Passover Meal was actually the beginning or initiation of

their freedom. Again, we have a type of the Christian life with the Communion or Lord's Supper symbolizing and celebrating our freedom from sin and sickness. Just as we commemorate the forgiveness of our sins when we partake of the cup/blood, we should also receive healing as we partake of the bread/body "which was broken for you".

F. **In distant places.** See Point 2.a. (Mall. 8:5) above.

Chapter 6:

How Does God Heal?

I. Scriptural methods God has used to Heal.

A. **Spoken Word.** Matt 9:2-7 – 2. And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee. 3. And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. 4. And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? 5. For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? 6. But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. 7 And he arose, and departed to his house. (KJV)

B. Anointed Prayer Cloths.

1. Acts 19:11-12 – 11. And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: 12. So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. (KJV)
2. Matt 9:20-22 – 20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: 21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. 22. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, He said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith had made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

C. **Dipping in the Jordan River 7 Times.** II Kings 5:10 & 14 –(10) And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt **be** clean. (14) Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. (KJV)

D. **Spit & Mud.** John 9:5-7 - 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. 6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, 7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing. (KJV)

E. Laying on of Hands.

1. Matt 19:15 - And he laid his hands on them, and departed thence. (KJV)
2. Mark 6:5 - And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them. (KJV)
3. Luke 4:40 - Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and He laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them (KJV)
4. Luke 13:13 - And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. (KJV)
5. Acts 19:6 - And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. (KJV)
6. Acts 28:8 - And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him., and healed him. (KJV)
- F. **Praying for One Another.** James 5:16 - Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
- G. **The Prayer of Faith.** James 5:15 - And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. (KJV)
- H. **Anointing With Oil.**
 1. James 5:14 - is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: (KJV)
 2. Mark 6:13 - And they east out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them. (KJV)
- I. **Asking and Receiving**
 1. Matt 7:7 - Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: (KJV)
 2. Matt 18:19 - Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.
 3. Matt 21:22 - And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.
 4. Luke 11:9-10 -(v.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. (v.10)For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
 5. John 14:13 - And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (KJV)
 6. John 14:14 - If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it. (KJV)

7. John 15:7 - If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (KJV)
8. John 15:16 - Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. (KJV)
9. John 16:24 - Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. (KJV)
10. John 16:26 - At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: (KJV)
11. James 1:6 - But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. (KJV)
12. James 4:2 - Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. (KJV)
13. 1 John 5:14 - And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: (KJV)
14. I John 5:15 - And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him. (KJV)
- J. **Point of Contact - Touching the hem of Jesus' Garment.**(See point 2. b. Matt. 9:20-22 above)
- K. **Through Communion.**
 1. 1 Cor. 11:28-31 - 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. 29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. 30 For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. 31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. (KJV)
 2. 1 Cor. 11:24 - And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. (KJV)
 3. Luke 22:19 - And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. (KJV)
 4. Mark 14:22-24 – 22. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body. 23. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. 24. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.
- L. **Looking unto the Brazen Serpent.** Numbers 21:8-9 – 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)

Chapter 7: What Are You Going To Do Now?

Summary

It should be obvious to you by now that God will heal anyone, anywhere, anytime, of anything. He has healed sinners, saints, kings, peasants, men, women, children, prophets, pagans, and even those who were killing His people and persecuting the church. There is literally no one beyond God's healing reach. The only prerequisite for healing has been and always will be faith. This is where some lose heart because they have been told that they must have faith. While this may be a common teaching today, it is not true. All that is required is that someone have faith. If the sick person does not have faith then it becomes the duty of the believer to believe (have faith) for them.

The hardest people to get healed is usually Christians because they feel that they have failed to live up to the Bible standard for the Christian, (which is true, because if we could live up to the standard on our own, Christ would not have had to die for us), so now they feel unworthy for God to heal them or they feel as though they must do something to make up for their wrongs and therefore become good enough to be healed. This is the trap Satan sets, first to tempt you to sin, then to condemn you for sinning so that you are unable to go to God and receive His forgiveness, if you do get that far, he will still continually keep you beat down by the weight and guilt of the fact that you sinned which keeps you ineffective in the Kingdom of God. Remember, the size of the gift from the Giver does not depend upon the goodness of the messenger or the worthiness of the receiver. Just believe that God is bigger than your sin and receive the free gift of healing just as you did salvation. The same goes for the one ministering healing. Just keep laying hands on people and praying the prayer of faith, regardless of what you are going through. If God could only use perfect people to work through He would never get anything done. He uses what has been made **AVAILABLE** to Him.

- I. **Take Heed to what you hear.** Mark 4:24-29 – 24. And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given. 25. For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath. 26. And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; 27. And should sleep, and rise night and

day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. 28. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. 29. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come. (KIV)

II. **He that heareth My Sayings and doeth them not is a fool.** Luke 6:47-49 – 47. Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: 48. He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. 49. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great. (KJV)

III. **To Whom Much is given, much is required.** Luke 12:42-48 – 42. And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? 43. Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. 44. Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath. 45. But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; 46. The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. 47. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. 48. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more. (KJV)

IV. **He that knows to do good and doeth it not it is sin.** James 4:17 - Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

V. **Jesus went about doing good and healing all...** Acts 10:38 - How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. (KJV)

VI. **Walk in the light you have.** - Luke 12:48 - But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more. (KJV)

VII. **The Golden Rule.** Matthew 7:12 - Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. (KJV)

(This tells us that if we were sick and we knew of someone that had the power of God to heal the sick (aka: The Baptism of the Holy Spirit) and we would want them to come to us, then we are morally obligated to go to them and pray the prayer of faith and get them healed.)

John G. Lake's Secrets of Divine Healing

1. Destroy sacred cows concerning sickness and power
2. Recognize sickness and disease as an enemy
3. Get Fed Up
4. Treat all sickness the same
5. Treat all sickness like a person
6. Command not beg
7. Speak to the problem – not to others about the problem
8. See people as oppressed prisoners of war
9. Get clean – stay clean
10. Stay out of pride – anyone could do what you are doing
11. Be aggressive – develop your aggressiveness
12. Be led by God's character and nature
13. Accept responsibility for your fellow man.
14. Decide to obey the Bible, not some arbitrary feeling
15. Know that God is with you, in you, and for you