



Healing from God Is Available

There is no lack of written material on the subject of healing, from diets to the metaphysical, from spiritual to surgery. *Healing from God Is Available* examines what the Bible has to say about this very critical topic. This is not a complicated theological work, but a straightforward presentation of truth, intended to let the Scriptures speak, thus showing what God has to say about healing. God has been healing people since back in Genesis, and He continues unto this present day. It is available to receive healing from God.

Healing from God Is Available shows the obstacles in receiving healing as well as keys for receiving. It answers many pertinent questions, including “Where does sickness come from?”, “Is God testing you?”, “What does forgiveness have to do with healing?”, “How is healing related to the ‘Last Supper’?”, and “Is healing freely given from God?”

In *Healing from God Is Available*, you will not only see a number of records of deliverance from God’s Word, but you will see why and how they received their healing. The Scriptures declare that Jesus Christ not only paid the price for all sins, but he also paid the price for all sicknesses. This work will show you how to receive your healing from God.

What others have said about this book

“It is a wonderful presentation on God’s Word that just sets forth what God in His Word has to say about healing.”

“This is the best piece of work on healing that I have seen in over 40 years of being in the ministry.”

“I think this will be a big blessing to God’s people.”

“It will be a great addition to any Christians’ library.”

“We will definitely carry it in our bookstore.”

“People will read this and get healed!”

“This is a powerful book!”

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mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy
soul prospereth.*

III John 2

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The following is presented to help and assist those who want to receive healing from God.

All Scripture references are from the King James Version, unless otherwise noted.

Preface

During my many years of study and teaching of the Bible, I have been consistently brought back to the subject of this work, that *Healing from God Is Available*. I have seen wonderful deliverance in people's lives when they believe the simple promises of God's Word.

There are numerous books on the topic of healing. In order to discover the truths regarding this subject, however, we must lay aside complicated theology and let the Scriptures speak, thus declaring what God has to say.

For a number of years, I have desired to publish simple, straightforward and clear truths from the Scriptures that would help people to receive healing from God. This work is a fulfillment of that desire. It does not contain my experiences. The focus is on assisting people to see and understand that healing from God is available, and that they, too can receive it. *Healing from God Is Available* will also be of great value to those who desire to minister healing to others.

May this work be an aid to those seeking to be healed, and a guide to those desiring to heal others. And may God bless you and heal you in the name of Jesus Christ.

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Chapter 1 – God's Nature is to Heal

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Throughout the Bible, in both the Old Testament and New Testament, we can read many, many records of people getting healed. There are records of people of all ages being healed, from young children to mature adults. There are records of healing where the name of the person healed is mentioned, and other records of healing where the person's name is not mentioned.

There are records of believers receiving healing as well as those who might be classified as, "outside of the pail", or, "not with the right group", also getting healed.

We can read of healings for a variety of infirmities – from being lame, deaf, or dumb, to being blind, having a withered hand, or mentally deranged.

There are records of someone being healed immediately after he got ill, as well as healing for someone who has suffered for many years.

We can see records of people being healed from everything from a fever all the way to an incurable disease. In fact there are records that show both, a man healed who was told he was about to die, as well as a number of people who were raised from the dead.

When it comes to healing from God, healing is absolutely not limited to your age, who you are, what "group" you are with, what sickness or illness you may have, or how long you have had it. With so many, many records in God's Word the message is clear – healing from God is available!

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

According to Psalm 103 God forgives "all" iniquities, all sins, and, He heals "all" diseases, all sicknesses. One of the most important things to remember in receiving healing from God is that God's very nature is to heal!

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Psalms 107:19-21:

Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses.

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

Look again at verse 20! God sent His Word and healed them! If you are looking for healing, look into God's Word. Look at all the different records of healing that God has in His Word for us to see. Those records are there to encourage us, to inspire us, to help us to believe God's Word so that we too can be healed, because it is God's nature to heal.

God's only begotten Son, our lord and savior, Jesus Christ, healed many people. He said that he always did those things that pleased the Father. All of the healings you read about Jesus Christ doing pleased the Father because it is God's nature to heal.

It is most difficult for a person to get to the point of believing to receive God's healing when they are convinced that God made them sick to begin with. That kind of thinking is a major obstacle in receiving healing, and, it is not based on the Scriptures.

Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Genesis 20:17:

So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.

II Kings 20:5 and 6:

Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.

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And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

Psalms 30:2:

O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

Psalms 147:3:

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Isaiah 57:19:

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.

Jeremiah 17:14:

Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

Jeremiah 30:17:

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.

Jeremiah 33:6:

Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

I 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.

There are many verses one could read to see that God's nature is to heal. His desire is to see people delivered, not afflicted. God sent His Word and healed them.

It is most beneficial to read the Scriptures about God's healing because it is absolutely vital in receiving healing from God to understand and believe that God does not make people sick, but rather, the nature of our loving God is to heal!

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III John 2:

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

God desires above all things that we prosper and be in health! His nature is to heal. His will is that we are healed.

We ought to praise God for His goodness and for His wonderful works! How can you do that if you think that He makes you sick? If that is what you really think and believe, the rest of this study will be of little or no profit to you. But, if you truly want to receive healing from God, then get clear in your heart and mind that our God is a God of goodness and wonderful works. He is a God that heals and delivers. He sent His Word and healed you! God desires above all things that we prosper and be in health.

III John :2

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Chapter 2 – Healing and Forgiveness

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

We began this study with this verse from Psalm 103. As mentioned previously in Chapter 1, “God forgives “all” iniquities, all sins, and, He heals “all” diseases, all sicknesses.”

It is interesting to note and consider that on a number of occasions, both forgiveness and healing come up together, in either the same verse or the same context. Here in Psalm 103, verse 3, we have the declaration of God’s Word that He heals all diseases, and, He forgives all iniquities. There are occasions when people fail to believe that God would heal them because they have not accepted His forgiveness, and thus they are living with guilt, sin consciousness, and condemnation.

I John 3:21:

Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

If we are condemning ourselves then we simply cannot have confidence toward God. And if we lack confidence toward God then it will be most difficult to believe to receive what He has promised us in His Word.

Many believers condemn themselves because they have sinned. They feel badly because they have walked away from God’s Word. They begin to think thoughts about themselves that are absolutely not true according to the Word of God. Sin consciousness and condemnation lead to self-pity which eventually brings an individual to an unpleasant fork in the road in which they can either choose despair, or, hardhearted callousness. Neither of those choices will bring deliverance. It is the Word of God that brings deliverance!

I John 1:9:

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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Isn't that wonderful! God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We read earlier that God forgives all iniquities. Here in I John we are told to confess our sins – tell Him that we have sinned. “Father I have sinned. I messed up again.” God’s Word says that if we confess our sins He “is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”. The reason we can get forgiveness of sins is because the price of sin was paid by our lord and savior, Jesus Christ.

I John 1:9-2:2:

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

The word, “propitiation” in verse 2 means, “full payment”. Jesus Christ was the full payment for all sins. It is because of his completed work that we can receive forgiveness from the Father. It is certainly not because of anything we have done, or, have not done. Just how good would we have to be to earn forgiveness? Just how sorry do we have to feel so that God will forgive us?

God forgiving us has nothing to do with our goodness or our sorrow for falling short. Forgiveness from God is available because Jesus Christ paid the price for it, and verse two says that he is the full payment. If Jesus Christ was the full payment for our sins, and the sins of the whole world, what is left to pay?

Some people think that they have sinned so badly that the price of God’s only begotten Son wasn’t enough for their sins. But that’s not what God’s Word says! Jesus Christ is the full payment for all sins. And when we fall short and sin, we can go to the Father and tell him that we have sinned and ask for forgiveness. He has promised to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Then it is up to us to accept His forgiveness. But, if we don’t accept His forgiveness, then our heart will condemn us, and we will have no confidence toward God to believe His promises.

Matthew 9:1-8:

And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city.

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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.

And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth.

And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?

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.

And he arose, and departed to his house.

But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

What a fantastic record of healing and deliverance! Before Jesus Christ healed this man, he handled forgiveness. He didn't heal him and then remind him about God's forgiveness. He handled the forgiveness first. Jesus Christ helped this man to get out of condemnation so that he could have confidence in God to receive healing.

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Here again in Psalm 103, as in Matthew 9, both forgiveness and healing come up together. There are a number of places in the Scriptures where both healing and forgiveness, or, sin and sickness, come up together, in either the same verse or the same context.

Isaiah 33:24:

And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.

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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.

This verse in Isaiah is speaking of the coming savior who would not only pay the price for all sins, but also pay the price for all sickness.

Matthew 8:16 and 17:

When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

I 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.

Again this truth is spoken: Jesus Christ took care of all sins, and, he took care of all sicknesses. Later in this study we will talk about this verse in more detail.

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.

Psalms 103:3:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Another major obstacle that prevents people from receiving healing is sin consciousness and condemnation – refusing to accept God’s forgiveness. Just as a person needs to get clear in his or her heart and mind that our God is a God of goodness and wonderful works; that He is a God that heals and delivers, so also a person needs to be clear in his or her heart and mind that God forgives them all their iniquities.

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Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

God sent His Word and healed them! If we are going to receive the healing that God has made available, then we must go by what His Word says, and not by our feelings. Accept God's forgiveness and have confidence in God!

Chapter 3 - Where Does Sickness Come From?

Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions.

In Chapter 1, we spent a little time looking at how God's nature is to heal. The Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, always did those things that pleased his Father.

John 8:29:

And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

The healing that you read about in the Gospels pleased the Father because God's nature is to heal. Yet there are many people today who believe that God gives people sicknesses to test them. As stated before, it is most difficult for a person to get to the point of believing to receive God's healing when they are convinced that God made them sick to begin with. That kind of thinking is a major obstacle in receiving healing, and, it is not based on the Scriptures.

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.

This verse in Acts 10 is a great summary of Jesus Christ's ministry while here on earth. He was anointed and sent by God. He had holy spirit and power. He went about doing "good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."

According to this verse of Scripture healing is good! Bringing deliverance is good! Now very few would argue that point, but why then do people want to believe that God gives sickness? That wouldn't be good, that would be bad. And we have already seen in a number of verses the great goodness of God and His desire to heal and deliver!

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This verse clearly shows where oppression comes from. It comes from the Devil. People who blame God for the evil that the Devil brings are confused. Can you imagine what would happen if we did some of the things that people accuse God of doing: gave someone a disease; broke someone's leg; paralyzed someone, etc.? If we did those kinds of things we would be arrested. And yet, our loving God is blamed for evil over and over again. In fact, God is even labeled a murderer, for many times when someone dies, you hear people say, "God took him home!"

Hebrews 2:14:

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

This verse in Hebrews 2:14 is very plain. Furthermore, Jesus Christ said in John 10,

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.

Here, Jesus Christ, who always did those things that pleased the Father, said that he came that we might have life and have it more abundantly. It is God's desire that we have life! Stealing, killing, and destroying is not the work of the Father or of His Son, Jesus Christ. It is the work of the Thief.

For anyone who is trying to get to the point to believe to receive God's healing, it is most difficult for them to do so if they believe that God made them sick in the first place. That kind of thinking is a major obstacle in receiving healing, and, it is not based on the Scriptures.

The book of Job is very enlightening.

Job 1:1:

There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

Verse one really shows how wonderful Job was. When it says that he "feared God", that means that he respected God, that he had great reverence for God.

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Job 1:2 and 3:

And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east.

If you take the time to read the first three chapters of Job, you will see that this wonderful man lost almost everything that he had in a very short period of time.

He lost all of his substance! All of it! He lost all of his children in one day! All of them! And he lost almost all of his health. Who took all of that away from him?

Job 2:7:

So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

In looking carefully at the opening chapters of the book of Job it is very obvious that Satan did indeed steal, kill and destroy. And this wonderful man Job, who revered God, did not charge God with any of the evil that Satan brought upon him. All he had left was his wife, who sadly did charge God foolishly.

Job 2:9 and 10:

Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

Note very carefully that in verse 10 Job attributed the good to “the hand of God”, but he did not attribute the evil to God. His wife spoke foolishly about God, but God said that Job did not sin with his lips. In other words, Job did not blame God for the evil. How could it be anything but sin to blame God for what Satan does?

There are many people who ignorantly blame God for evil. It is often cloaked with religious phrases like, “Well, God has a reason for this”, or, “God works in strange ways”, or, “This was just meant to be”. Phrases like those blame God for evil. Even insurance policies have a clause for “an act of God”, meaning a tornado, or hurricane, or some other disaster. And so, once again, our wonderful

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God is blamed for evil. We should not blame the One True God for evil, but rather put the blame where it belongs, on Satan, the Devil.

Next in the record of Job his three friends come to comfort him, but they are no help. They do everything that they can to put Job into sin consciousness and condemnation. They try to get Job to think about all his past sins and try to get him to admit that he is a lousy guy and that he probably deserves all this. In Chapter 2 of this study we handled condemnation. Remember I John 3:21, "If our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God"? These friends were no help. And through this entire ordeal, Job continued to hold fast in his mind what he knew was true.

Job 27:6:

My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.

Job refused to let his heart reproach him. "Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God". Job does get delivered. In fact, God tells those "friends" of Job that they did not speak right about God like Job had! And He told them that He was going to have Job pray for them! And after Job prayed for those men, God healed Job.

Job 42:10:

And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

The Thief, Satan, the Devil, stole, killed, and destroyed, but our wonderful God delivered Job. His wife told him to just forget it, it's hopeless, just curse God and die! His friends were no help for they did not speak right about God to Job. But through it all, Job never charged God foolishly and never sinned with his lips. And Job refused to let his heart reproach him. What a record of deliverance!

It is vital in receiving healing from God to remember and have clear in your heart and mind that sickness does not come from the One True God. Sometimes people who think that God gives them sickness, think that by enduring the sickness it makes them a better Christian. If that were true, then why go to a doctor, why take any medicine, why pray to get healed? Instead, pray for more sickness. The Scriptures do not concur with that kind of thinking. God's Word is very clear. Sickness, disease, oppression, and possession all come from the Thief. But God's nature is to heal, and God wants us healed and delivered!

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Luke 13:10-17:

And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

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.

And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

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.

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?

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?

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.

This woman's infirmity was not from God, but rather, as Jesus Christ said, it was from Satan. Jesus Christ knew where sickness came from, and yet many so called Christians disagree with him. God's Word declares that Jesus went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed by the Devil. The One True God is not stealing, killing and destroying! The One True God is not killing children, destroying property, smiting with boils, causing people to be bowed over for years and years! That is all the work of the Thief, Satan, the Devil.

For those who truly desire to receive healing from God, it is vital to recognize that the One True God did not give you your infirmity. But, rather, it is His desire and His will for you to be delivered!

Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Chapter 4 – By His Stripes You Were Healed

I 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.

We have looked at a number of records in the Scriptures where both sin and sickness are in the same verse or same context. This verse from I Peter was noted in Chapter 2. This verse tells us that Jesus Christ bore our sins. Earlier we covered that Jesus Christ, paid the full price, not only for our sins, but also for the sins of the whole world.

This verse also says that it was by his stripes that we were healed. So then it was his death that paid the price for sins, and it was his stripes, the physical punishment he went through that paid for our healing. By reading the Gospel records carefully one can see the horrendous physical torture that Jesus Christ endured for our healing: the beatings by the chief priests and Sanhedrin, the cruelty from Herod's men, the beatings from Pilate's soldiers; the thorns in his head, the mocking, the humiliation, and finally being nailed to the tree and hanging there for six hours! Pictures we have seen of Jesus do not begin to tell the story of the physical punishment and sufferings that he went through. There is a verse in Isaiah that foretold of his sufferings.

Isaiah 52:14:

As many were astonished at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:

The Revised Standard Version has the latter part of this verse as follows: "...his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the sons of men."

The New English Bible reads as follows: "...his form, disfigured, lost all the likeness of a man, his beauty changed beyond human semblance."

Take the time to see the details regarding what Jesus Christ went through from the time of his arrest to the time of his death (some 40 hours). When you really look closely, it is almost too much to take.

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Shortly before Jesus Christ was arrested, during what is referred to as the “Last Supper”, he taught and showed his disciples many things. It was during this time with them that he instituted a memorial, or, a remembrance. The Apostle Paul in writing to the Corinthian believers reminded them of that memorial.

I Corinthians 11:23-30:

For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

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.

After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come.

Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

In the Bible there are a number of times when God utilizes the word “sleep” to mean death. Such is the case in verse 30. The reason there were many in Corinth who were weak and sickly, and many dying (obviously prematurely) was due to “not discerning the lord's body”. It was from not understanding what Jesus Christ endured in his physical body.

In this section of God's Word, we see mention of what is commonly referred to as, “Holy Communion”. Jesus Christ on the night he was betrayed took bread, broke it, and blessed it, and said, “This is my body which is broken for you.” He then told them to do this “in remembrance of me”. Through the centuries all over the world there have been and still are many memorials. There are memorials that call to remembrance people and events. But the sum total of all the memorials there have ever been, or ever will be, cannot even come close to the memorial that Jesus Christ instituted.

When he said, “This is my body”, that did not mean that the bread was, or, that it became his physical body. Taking something that was common to every meal, in this case, bread, he broke it, or tore it, and said, “This is my body”, meaning, “This represents my body which is broken for you” – do this in remembrance of me! Do what? What were they doing? They were eating a meal. Jesus Christ asked them that as often as they ate bread and drank wine, two very common items at meals at that time, as often as they did that, to do it in remembrance of him.

Jesus Christ never instituted a formal ceremony. He instituted this memorial in a common, every day situation – a meal! So, every time they ate, if they wanted to, they could remember what he accomplished. And since most of us eat at least once a day, we can remember the completed work of Jesus Christ every day!

There were two very distinct elements to this memorial: the bread and the wine. The wine represented Christ’s blood. The word “blood” is used numerous times in the Bible as a figure of speech meaning to die, or to give your life. When it says in I Peter 1:19 that we were redeemed with the “precious blood of Christ”, it does not mean his literal blood. It is speaking figuratively; it means that we were redeemed by Christ giving his life for us.

I John 1:7:

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

So when Jesus Christ said, “This cup is the new testament in my blood”, he was referring to what his death would accomplish: the payment for all sins. Whether or not we drink wine with our meal, we usually drink something. And every time we do, we can remember that Jesus Christ died for our sins. He paid the price for us. The reason we can get forgiveness is because Jesus Christ paid the price for us! Jesus Christ said, “...this do ye as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me”.

Every time we have a meal and have something to drink, we can stop and reflect on what our Lord Jesus Christ accomplished for us. And how beneficial is it for us to do that? Since we are not perfect, and we fall short from time to time, what a blessing to remember that he paid the price for our sins. And when we think and reflect upon that great accomplishment, we can avoid sin consciousness and condemnation for our shortcomings. We can avoid living with guilt and feelings of unworthiness. How thankful we can be at every meal as we drink our beverage, remembering what a wonderful savior we have and how he gave his life for us. This memorial that Jesus Christ instituted was not intended to be a

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big public ceremony to be held at a specifically scheduled time. It was a memorial instituted at a meal, making it common for all, as well as very personal.

While the wine represented his giving of his life for the sins of the world, the bread represented his physical body and all the punishment that he endured.

Isaiah 52:14:

As many were astonished at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:

I 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.

Just like with the wine, whenever we eat, we can remember that it was his stripes, his broken, bruised, beaten body that paid for our healing. As we eat, if we want to, and he said that we ought to, we can think about, consider, remember, and remind ourselves of the truth that our healing has been paid for. Our sins have been paid for, and, our healing has been paid for!

The opportunity being dealt with in I Corinthians was that they were not discerning the lord's body. They did not understand; they were not remembering that he paid for their healing! Because of that, many were weak and sickly among them, and many were dying prematurely.

We need to think clearly regarding these very important matters. If all that was required for mankind's redemption and salvation was for Jesus to die, then why did God allow him to go through all of that unspeakable torture and punishment? His death paid the price for all sins, and his physical punishment bought and paid for all healing.

If Jesus Christ is the propitiation, full payment, for all sins, what price is there left to pay for sins? None. They have been paid for.

If Jesus Christ paid the price for our healing, then what price is there left to pay for your healing? None. It has been paid. Then do you have to be good enough to receive it? No. The price has already been paid.

This memorial that Jesus Christ instituted is so vital for us, especially so in our modern world with so much electronic communication.

When was the last time you spent a whole day without hearing anything about sickness and ill health? There are many commercials on radio and TV that are

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health related, and they are usually fear motivated. Newspapers, magazines, people you talk to – we are just bombarded daily with information about sickness! It's no wonder it can be a challenge to believe God's Word at times.

Can you imagine just one day of being bombarded with information about God's healing instead? A newspaper headline about someone who got healed of an incurable disease! A radio broadcast about a blind person who can now see! A highway billboard that says, "Remember, if God could heal Naaman of leprosy, He can surely heal you. Have a great day!" Someone at work tells you about a friend who was in a wheel chair for five years and is now walking! What a positive impact that kind of a day would have on our lives!

Instead, we are reminded of sickness and disease every day. But, we can, if we choose to, remind ourselves daily of what Jesus Christ has accomplished for us. God's healing is still available!

We have already covered where sickness comes from. Colossians 1 tells us that God has delivered us from the power of darkness.

Colossians 1:13:

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son:

A big key in receiving healing from God is to put into our minds that which is true. We have been delivered from the power of darkness by our lord and savior Jesus Christ. What a powerful statement to put into our minds! Put the Word of God concerning healing into your mind.

Stop dwelling on the negatives concerning health – yours and the rest of the world. Romans 10 says that faith comes by hearing the Word of God. The negatives will never get us to the place of believing God, but will only build fear and unbelief.

Depending on the situation, we may need to flood our minds with the truth of God's Word regarding healing. And, whenever we eat, we can stop and remind ourselves that through his death, Jesus Christ paid for our sins, and by his stripes we were healed!

Chapter 5 – Healing is Freely Given

Matthew 10:1,5-8:

And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:

But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

The twelve apostles had freely received the power to minister deliverance. They were sent to freely give. Healing from God is freely given. It is not a question of whether one deserves it or not. It is not a question of earning one's healing. Healing from God is freely given.

There are many records in the Old Testament showing God's people at war with Syria. In one case, Syria was successful and brought captives from Israel back to their land. One of those captives was a maid who ended up working in the house of Naaman, the head of the Syrian army. He was a great man of valor, very successful, but, he had leprosy. Having that "incurable" disease all he could look forward to was a slow and very painful death.

The captive maid said that there was a prophet in Samaria that could heal Naaman. So the king of Syria sent Naaman to the king of Israel with a letter to the king of Israel that basically said, "Here's Naaman, heal him of his leprosy!" The king was very disturbed, but the man of God, Elisha, heard about it and said to send Naaman to his house. Then Elisha sent his servant to give Naaman instructions from God. When Naaman believed and acted on those instructions, he was healed.

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II Kings 5:14-16:

Then went he [Naaman] down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God [Elisha]: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.

But he said, As the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged him to take it; but he refused.

Healing is freely given. Even though Naaman was so thankful and so blessed that he just wanted to give Elisha something, it was not necessary. But even more than that, look at who Naaman was! He was not even of the house of Israel, and he was healed of an “incurable” disease! So just how “good” do you have to be in order to receive healing? You cannot earn your healing. Healing is freely given.

There are records in the Gospels of Jesus Christ healing both those of Israel, and on occasion, those who were not of Israel. No one had to earn their healing, it was freely given.

In Acts 8 Phillip went down to Samaria and many Samaritans were healed. They did not earn their healing – it was freely given. When you look at the many records of healing in the Bible, it is clear that healing is not something you earn by being good, or by being in the “right group”. Healing is freely given from God!

There are many Christians who do not accept that Jesus Christ paid the full price for their sins and their sicknesses. They are trying to do good works in order to be righteous in God’s sight. Why? Was the work of Jesus Christ incomplete? No. Jesus Christ did a complete work.

Romans 3:20-26:

Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

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For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Jesus Christ did pay the full price for all sins. We have been made righteous by the completed work of Jesus Christ. Those who confess Jesus as lord, and believe in their heart that God has raised him from the dead are saved!

Romans 10:9:

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Salvation is freely given, not of works lest any man should boast.

Ephesians 2:5, 8 and 9:

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

Not of works, lest any man should boast.

And just as salvation is freely given, so is healing. Did we deserve salvation and payment for our sins? No. Then likewise it is not a question of whether or not we deserve healing. Healing is available because Jesus Christ paid the price for it.

I 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.

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Since the day of Pentecost it has been available for every born again believer to operate all nine manifestations of the gift of holy spirit, as listed in I Corinthians 12. Since we have freely received, we can now freely give. Isn't it wonderful that one of those manifestations is called, "gifts of healing". God didn't refer to it as just "healing", but rather, "gifts of healing", because healing is freely given! When we operate the manifestations of the gift of holy spirit and minister to one another, healing is freely given to the one that receives, because Jesus Christ has paid the price for our healing.

Jesus Christ paid the full price for our salvation – we are saved by grace, it is not of ourselves, "it is the gift of God", Ephesians 2:8 declares. Jesus Christ also paid the full price for our healing. It is by God's grace that we are healed, because healing is freely given. We don't earn it, we don't deserve it, but because of God's great grace and love, and the completed work of Jesus Christ, our healing has been bought and paid for! If God with His great goodness and kindness could heal Naaman long before Jesus Christ paid for our healing, what about you?

Healing from God is freely given. The price for your healing has already been paid. Just like the price for our sins has been paid. Jesus Christ is a complete savior. He paid the price for both our sins, and our sicknesses. That's why salvation is freely given, and healing is also freely given.

I 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.

Matthew 10:8:

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

Chapter 6 – Receiving Healing

Luke 18:35-43:

And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging:

And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.

And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.

And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me.

And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou son of David, have mercy on me.

And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,

Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

Jesus Christ, in verse 41, asked this man what he could do for him. But wasn't it obvious what the man needed? Yes, it was obvious what he needed, but Jesus asked him what he wanted.

There are people today who are sick and afflicted who need healing, but do not want it. They may think that God wants them to be sick, and so they try to endure it. Some people think that if they get healed, they may no longer get all the attention their sickness has afforded them, and they don't want to lose that.

There can be any number of different reasons, but if a person needs healing, they must also want to be healed. Jesus Christ asked this man what he wanted and when Jesus Christ knew that the man really wanted to be delivered, Jesus Christ said, "Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee."

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Mark 5:25-28:

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

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

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

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

This is a remarkable record! This woman had suffered for twelve years. She had tried everything she could and had spent all her money in the process and instead of getting better, she continued to get worse.

Certainly the health care available in her day couldn't be compared to what we have available today. There are new advances almost daily in the medical profession in our day and time. Many times what we have available today is very helpful. Still, every doctor knows that the human body is designed to heal itself. And, when the body is not doing what it was designed to do, then we need some assistance.

Admitting that we need some help is not being negative. We don't deny that we have a need. How wonderful it would be if at those times of need we could simply believe God and receive the healing that was bought and paid for. But, there are times when we don't believe and receive. At those times, those in the medical field can render help in getting the body to the point of doing what it was designed to do. That is absolutely not to say that a person should or should not go and get medical attention.

Every person needs to decide. But, it would seem logical that if a person has prayed, or been ministered to, and is not seeing results, then they should get some assistance to help.

But in the record above, twelve years of help did nothing for this woman! And yet, hearing of Jesus, she did something remarkable.

Mark 5:27-34:

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

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

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

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?

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

And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.

But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.

This is a fabulous record of healing! Please note that it was not Jesus' garments that healed this woman. Jesus Christ did not say, "Daughter, my clothes have made you whole, and they will make anyone else whole who touches them!" Jesus Christ said that her faith, or, believing, had made her whole.

There are many places in the New Testament where the word, "faith", would be better translated as, "believing". The translators on many occasions translated the Greek verb as, "believe", and, they translated the Greek noun as, "faith. Both the noun and the verb in the Greek come from the same word group, so many times in the New Testament the word, "faith" would be better translated as, "believing". It was the believing of this woman that made her whole. She absolutely believed that if she touched his garment she would be whole.

This woman received her healing! Did anyone pray for her? No. Did anyone lay hands on her? No. And yet, she received instantaneous miraculous healing by believing! What we truly believe determines the outcome in our lives. That's why people who believe that God wants them sick, stay sick a lifetime. This woman, after suffering for 12 years, heard about Jesus Christ, believed, and then received. Remarkable!

In Mark 3 Jesus Christ told a man with a withered hand to stretch it forth. The man believed what Jesus Christ said, stretched it forth, and was healed.

In John 9 Jesus Christ told a man who was born blind to go wash in the pool of Siloam. The man believed what Jesus Christ said, went and washed, and received his sight.

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In Luke 17 Jesus Christ told ten lepers to go and show themselves to the priests. They believed what Jesus said, went their way, and were healed.

In Matthew 9 Jesus Christ told a man sick of the palsy to get up, take his bed and go into his house. The man believed what Jesus Christ said, got up, and was healed.

You can read record after record in the Gospels of people being delivered through the ministry of Jesus Christ. After the day of Pentecost born again believers operated the power of God and ministered healing in the name of Jesus Christ.

Acts 3:6-8:

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.

And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

Acts 4:10:

Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

Acts 9:33 and 34:

And there he found a certain man named Aeneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.

And Peter said unto him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.

To receive healing one must believe to be healed. Since we all believe something, what we believe determines the outcome. It may not be necessary for someone to pray for you for you to be healed. It may not be necessary for someone to lay hands on you for you to be healed. It may not be necessary for you to get specific instructions to do something to be healed. Any of these things may or may not be involved. But what is necessary is for you to believe that Jesus Christ paid for your healing. By his stripes you have been healed.

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Because of what Jesus Christ accomplished for every born again believer, you have been delivered from the power of darkness. Whatever it takes for you to get this information into your mind so that you can believe it is what you must do.

In some situations, believing to receive healing happens in moments. In other situations it may require a very diligent effort over a period of time. What is required in each situation is whatever is required to get the results. Whatever it takes, that is what you must be willing to do. When we ponder and wonder why we are sick, why we haven't received healing, what is wrong, etc., we just waste valuable time. Speak the Word of God to yourself: "I have been delivered from the power of darkness by my lord and savior Jesus Christ!" "I have been healed by Jesus Christ's stripes!"

Speak the Word of God to yourself, and continue to pray to God. Jesus Christ said that men ought to always pray and not faint. Pray, cry unto God, until you receive your healing! Continue to put your petitions before Him.

Psalms 30:2:

O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

And, there is something else that you can do: take your eyes off of yourself and give to others. We looked at the record of Job earlier. After having lost almost everything that he had, and lying there with boils from the top of his head to the bottom of his feet, God asked Job to pray for his friends who had been no help to Job. You would have thought that God would have had them pray for Job, but instead, God had Job pray for them!

Job 42:10:

And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

You might not have any specific action that you can take, but you need to do whatever it takes to get yourself to the point of believing God's Word. Speak the Word of God to yourself. Repeat to yourself what the Word of God says.

Pray. Whenever you think about your situation, go to God and pray. Expect to receive what God has promised you in His Word.

And, finally, give: reach out to others in any way that you can. Maybe all that you are capable of doing is praying. Well then, pray for others.

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Take the action you need to take to get to the point of believing God's Word and you will receive healing!

Chapter 7 – The Powerful Word of God

Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

We have looked at this verse a number of times. God sent His Word and healed them. If a person is looking for deliverance, they need to look into God's Word. How much of the Word of God does a person need? The answer is whatever it takes to get to the point of receiving deliverance. We must never underestimate the power of the Word of God.

Hebrews 4:12:

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The Word of God, either spoken or written, is quick, which means it's alive, it's a living Word! And, it is powerful! God's Word either written or spoken accurately is powerful!

Matthew 8:16:

When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:

People have been healed from reading and hearing the Word of God. For that reason this study on healing has a fair amount of printed scriptures. Never underestimate the power of God's Word! The words of God Almighty are powerful!

Psalms 119:25:

My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.

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Psalms 119:28:

My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.

Psalms 119:81:

My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

III John 2:

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Jeremiah 17:14:

Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

We began this study by looking at God's nature to heal. It is the will of God for people to be healed. We looked at a number of verses that show God's nature is to heal.

Next, we looked at how closely forgiveness and healing are tied together. We saw how sin consciousness and condemnation are major obstacles in receiving healing.

We then looked in God's Word to see where sickness comes from. We saw how it is vital to understand that sickness does not come from the One True God.

We next spent some time looking at how Jesus Christ paid the price for all sins, and, for all sicknesses. By his stripes we were healed.

We also saw in God's Word that healing is freely given – it is not something that you earn, but rather something that has already been paid for.

And, then we looked at how to receive healing – by believing God's wonderful Word!

And, in closing: a reminder of the power of God's Word. God sent His Word and healed them!

There is a thread that runs through this study – that thread is the love of God. Healing from God is available because God loves you. God brings deliverance to you because God loves you. God sent His Son because He loves you. God forgives you because He loves you. God heals you because He loves you.

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John 3:16:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

I John 4:10, 19:

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

We love him, because he first loved us.

Ephesians 2:4:

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

Romans 8:31-39:

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The way out of sin consciousness and condemnation is to dwell on God's love. God loves you. The way out of doubt is to focus on God's Word of love to you.

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God loves you.

It is my desire that the material presented in this study will be of help to those seeking to be healed. It is also my desire that this information can be beneficial for those desiring to help and minister healing to others.

There is a glorious day coming when these mortal bodies will put on immortality! What a day that will be!

I Corinthians 15:52-54:

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

But until Jesus Christ returns and gathers us up together, may we grow in our understanding and believing of God's Word so that we may receive the blessings our loving Father has made available to us through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 11:9-10:

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.

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

May God bless you, and heal you, in the name of Jesus Christ!

Psalms 107:20:

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Epilogue – Victory!

III John 2:

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Isaiah 41:10 and 13:

Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

Psalms 34

I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear *thereof*, and be glad.

O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him*, and saved him out of all his troubles.

The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for *there is* no want to them that fear him.

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *thing*.

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

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What man *is he that* desireth life, *and* loveth *many* days, that he may see good?

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of the LORD *are* upon the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.

The face of the LORD *is* against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The LORD *is* nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

Luke 18:27:

And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

Matthew 19:26:

But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

Mark 9:23:

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth.

Mark 10:27:

And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men *it is* impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.

Romans 8:31-39:

What shall we then say to these things? If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?

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He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.

Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Philippians 4:19:

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

II Corinthians 9:8:

And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

Ephesians 3:20:

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

I 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.

II Corinthians 2:14:

Now thanks *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

I Corinthians 15:57:

But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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