

Does Jesus Heal People?

Isaiah 53:4,5 *Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 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.* (King James Version)

Isaiah 53:4,5 *But the fact is, it was our pains he carried-- our disfigurements, all the things wrong with us. We thought he brought it on himself, that God was punishing him for his own failures. But it was our sins that did that to him, that ripped and tore and crushed him--our sins! He took the punishment, and that made us whole. Through his bruises we get healed.* (Message Bible)

1) Isaiah says Jesus' (tears, stripes or bruises, burial cloths) cause healing in us.

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.* (King James Version)
Peter was one of Jesus' closest friends.

2) Did he believe that the stripes (whip marks) of Jesus had already healed us? YES NO
Read **Acts 3:1-11** and **Acts 5:15,16**

3) Did Peter know what he was talking about when it comes to healing? YES NO

Matthew 8:16,17 *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.*

4) Since Jesus took our infirmities (weaknesses) and bare (carried) our sicknesses, isn't it a little silly that we are still taking our weaknesses and carrying our sicknesses? YES NO

Psalms 103:2,3 *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;*

5) How many diseases does the Lord heal? _____

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.*

6) How many people did Jesus heal? _____

Paul wrote these words in a letter to the Corinthian Church about 20 years after the resurrection of Jesus: **1 Corinthians 12:8,9** *For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;*

7) Was the Spirit still healing people in the Corinthian Church 20 years after the resurrection? YES NO

Hebrews 13:8 *Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.*

8) If Jesus healed people two thousand years ago, would He heal us in 2013? YES NO

9) Homework: Read either Matthew, Mark, Luke or John. Write down the scripture references where Jesus didn't heal someone who came to Him for healing.

How Do We Receive Healing from Jesus?

Mark 11:23 Truly I say to you, Whoever says to this mountain, Be taken up and be put into the sea; and has no doubt in his heart, but has faith that what he says will come about, he will have his desire. **Mark 11:24** For this reason I say to you, Whatever you make a request for in prayer, have faith that it has been given to you, and you will have it. **Mark 11:25** And whenever you make a prayer, let there be forgiveness in your hearts, if you have anything against anyone; so that you may have forgiveness for your sins from your Father who is in heaven. (Bible in Basic English)

- 1) Who is saying this? _____
- 2) Does Jesus know what He's talking about when it comes to receiving healing? YES NO
- 3) To get what you want, you must have _____ that what you say will happen. (Mark 11:23)
- 4) In Mark 11:23, a mountain is a (small, medium, large, overwhelmingly huge) problem.
- 5) The mountain leaves when we (whine, beg, command it in faith to go).
- 6) Silently read Mark 11:24 again. Which comes first, (believing that you are healed) or (seeing that you are healed)?
- 7) If you truly believed that your request has been given to you when you prayed, should you thank God (right after you pray) or (when you can see you are healed)?
- 8) Can you pray successfully with unforgiveness in your heart? YES NO Forgiveness is not a feeling. It is a decision. Decide to forgive the people who have hurt you. Holding unforgiveness is hurting you more than it is hurting them. Let it go.

Your mind will believe anything you train it to believe. You may have never seen a germ. Yet you believe a germ can make you sick. You've trained your mind to believe that. Jesus is asking us to train our minds to believe His Word, the Bible above anything else in our lives.

1Peter 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. (Remember from last week's lesson that stripes are whip marks on Jesus' body.) Tell your body that it is healthy. Memorize "by Jesus' stripes ye were healed" and whisper this to your body as you go to sleep at night. Think about being well as you eat. At every opportunity, train your mind to believe that you were healed. Live a life of constantly thanking God for your healing whether you see it or not.

- 9) I Peter 2:24 says that by Jesus' stripes we (will be) (are) (were) healed. (Circle one)

James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. Look up at the top of the page and read Mark 11:24 again. To have our prayers answered, we need a faith that is strong and alive. You not only believe you were healed, you also act like you were healed. Start with one small thing that you would like to do but haven't done in a long time. Be sure it is something safe for you to do.

For me, it was clapping my hands so they would make noise. I commanded my hands to clap in the name of Jesus. I put everything I had into clapping my hands. I thanked God for the ability to clap my hands. One Sunday summer morning back in our home church, I surprised myself by clapping my hands after a young girl's very spirit-filled violin solo. I can still clap my hands. Praise God!

- 10) Faith without _____ is dead. (James 2:26)
- 11) Trying to clap my hands was a _____ that made my faith alive. (James 2:26)

Isaiah 26:3 People with their minds set on you, you keep completely whole, steady on their feet, because they keep at it and don't quit. (Message Bible) Your healing may take hours, days or years. If you have faith as a child, it may only take minutes. However long it takes, don't let yourself become discouraged. Keep your mind on God, not your problems. He is so much stronger than any mountain you face. He is walking with you in your healing journey, never leaving nor forsaking you.