

Divine Healing

Scripture References on Healing from The Gospels:

Gospel of Matthew:

1. “When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick. This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: “He took up our infirmities and bore our diseases.” (Matthew 8:16-17).
2. “Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” (Matthew 9:35-36).
3. “After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee. When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples to ask him, “Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?” Jesus replied, “Go back and report to John what you hear and see: 5 The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy[b] are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.” (Matthew 11:1-5).
4. “When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.” (Matthew 14:13-14).
5. “Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. 13 “It is written,” he said to them, “‘My house will be called a house of prayer,’ but you are making it ‘a den of robbers.’” The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them.” (Matthew 21:12-14)
6. “When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. “Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.” Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?” The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed.” (Matthew 8:5-8).
7. “Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.” And his servant was healed at that moment.” (Matthew 8:13).
8. “Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.” (Matthew 10:1).
9. “As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.” (Matthew 10:7-8).

10. "Going on from that place, he went into their synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there. Looking for a reason to bring charges against Jesus, they asked him, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" He said to them, "If any of you has a sheep and it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will you not take hold of it and lift it out? How much more valuable is a person than a sheep! Therefore it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath." Then he said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." So he stretched it out and it was completely restored, just as sound as the other. Aware of this, Jesus withdrew from that place. A large crowd followed him, and he healed all who were ill."
(Matthew 12:9-13,15).

11. "Then they brought him a demon-possessed man who was blind and mute, and Jesus healed him, so that he could both talk and see." (Matthew 12:22).

12. "Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed; and he healed them. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him." (Matthew 4:23-25).

13. "Jesus left there and went along the Sea of Galilee. Then he went up on a mountainside and sat down. Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them. The people were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled made well, the lame walking and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel." (Matthew 15:29-31).

14. "When Jesus had finished saying these things, he left Galilee and went into the region of Judea to the other side of the Jordan. Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there." (Matthew 19:1-2)

Gospel of Mark

1. "That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was." (Mark 1:32-34).
2. "Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there. Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath. Jesus said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Stand up in front of everyone." Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent. He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored." (Mark 3:1-5).
3. " Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed. When they heard about all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon. Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him,

to keep the people from crowding him. For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him. Whenever the impure spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, "You are the Son of God." But he gave them strict orders not to tell others about him." (Mark 3:7-12).

4. " When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." So Jesus went with him. A large crowd followed and pressed around him. And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering." (Mark 5:21-29).
5. "While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?" Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe." He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him. After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat." (Mark 5:35-43).
6. " Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith. Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village." (Mark 6:4-6).
7. " Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. 9 Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. 10 Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. 11 And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them." They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them." (Mark 6:7-13).

Gospel of Luke:

1. "18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery

of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (Luke 4:18-19).

2. "At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them. Moreover, demons came out of many people, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Messiah." (Luke 4:40-41).
3. "Yet the news about him spread all the more, so that crowds of people came to hear him and to be healed of their sicknesses. But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed. One day Jesus was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there. They had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal the sick. Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus. When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven." The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? 23 Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? 24 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God. Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today." (Luke 5:15-26).
4. "On another Sabbath he went into the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was shriveled. The Pharisees and the teachers of the law were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath. But Jesus knew what they were thinking and said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Get up and stand in front of everyone." So he got up and stood there. Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?" (Luke 6:6-9).
5. He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all." (Luke 6:17-19).
6. "When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people who were listening, he entered Capernaum. There a centurion's servant, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant. When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, "This man deserves to have you do this, because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue." So Jesus went with them. He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: "Lord, don't trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. That is why I did not even

consider myself worthy to come to you. ***But say the word, and my servant will be healed.***” (Luke 7:1-7).

7. When the men came to Jesus, they said, “John the Baptist sent us to you to ask, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?’” At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind. So he replied to the messengers, “Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.” (Luke 7:20-22).
8. “After this, Jesus traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. The Twelve were with him, and also some women who had been ***cured of evil spirits and diseases: Mary (called Magdalene) from whom seven demons had come out***; Joanna the wife of Chuza, the manager of Herod’s household; Susanna; and many others. These women were helping to support them out of their own means.” (Luke 8:1-3).
9. When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. So they set out and went from village to village, proclaiming the good news and healing people everywhere. When the apostles returned, they reported to Jesus what they had done. Then he took them with him and they withdrew by themselves to a town called Bethsaida, but the crowds learned about it and followed him. He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed healing.” (Luke 9:1-2,6,10-11).
10. The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. A man in the crowd called out, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not.” 41 “You unbelieving and perverse generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here.” Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father. And they were all amazed at the greatness of God. While everyone was marveling at all that Jesus did, he said to his disciples,...” (Luke 9:37-43).
11. “When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’”(Luke 10:8-9).
12. On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.” The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or

donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? 16 Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?" When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing." (Luke 13:10-17).

13. One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. There in front of him was a man suffering from abnormal swelling of his body. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him on his way." (Luke 14:1-4).
14. Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? 18 Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well." (Luke 17:11-19).
15. While he was still speaking a crowd came up, and the man who was called Judas, one of the Twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him, but Jesus asked him, "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?" When Jesus' followers saw what was going to happen, they said, "Lord, should we strike with our swords?" And one of them struck the servant of the high priest, cutting off his right ear. But Jesus answered, "No more of this!" And he touched the man's ear and healed him." (Luke 22:47-51).

Gospel of John

1. Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death. 48 "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe." The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." 50 "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed. While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him." Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and his whole household believed." (John 4:46-53).
2. Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?" "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me." Then

Jesus said to him, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, and so the Jewish leaders said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat.” But he replied, “The man who made me well said to me, ‘Pick up your mat and walk.’” So they asked him, “Who is this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?” The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, “See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you.” The man went away and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had made him well.” (John 5:1-3,5-15).

3. Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick.” (John 6:1-2).

Other Scripture References:

1. Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.” (James 5:13-18).
2. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8).
3. “how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.” (Acts 10:38).
4. One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.” (Acts 3:1-10).

5. "Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus." (Acts 4:29-30).
6. "When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say. Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John replied, "Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." After further threats they let them go. They could not decide how to punish them, because all the people were praising God for what had happened. For the man who was miraculously healed was over forty years old." (Acts 4:13-14,18-22).
7. The apostles performed many signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade. No one else dared join them, even though they were highly regarded by the people. Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. As a result, people brought the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by. Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those tormented by impure spirits, and all of them were healed." (Acts 5:12-16).
8. Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went. Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah there. When the crowds heard Philip and saw the signs he performed, they all paid close attention to what he said. For with shrieks, impure spirits came out of many, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. So there was great joy in that city." (Acts 8:4-8).
9. In Lystra there sat a man who was lame. He had been that way from birth and had never walked. He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed and called out, "Stand up on your feet!" At that, the man jumped up and began to walk." (Acts 14:8-10).
10. There was an estate nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and showed us generous hospitality for three days. His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him. When this had happened, the rest of the sick on the island came and were cured." (Acts 28:7-9).
11. "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed." (1Peter 2:24).
12. He said, "If you listen carefully to the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you." (Exodus 15:26).
13. Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits— who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,". (Psalm 103:1-3).
14. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." (Psalm 147:2-3).
15. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall." (Malachi 4:2).
16. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who

empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.” (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

17. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way. (1 Corinthians 12:28-31).

Important To Note:

1. From the 4 Gospels, over 20% of Jesus’s Ministry was spent Healing the sick.
2. Of the 3779 verses in the 4 Gospels, 727 verses relate to Jesus healing sick people.
3. Over 70% of His Ministry was dedicated to HEALING the sick, CASTING out demons and moving in the MIRACULOUS.

We need to major on what Jesus majored on!

WHAT DID JESUS MAJOR ON?

1. He preached The Gospel of The Kingdom.
2. He healed the sick and the afflicted.
3. He cast out demons and set the captives free.

If this is what our Master, Lord, Savior and Teacher majored on during His earthly ministry, how much more should we as His Followers / Disciples follow His example?

JESUS MAJORED IN MEETING THE HUMAN NEEDS

(Man has 3 basic needs)

1. Man has a **SIN** problem - only the Gospel of The Kingdom can set him free.
2. Man has a problem with **SICKNESS AND DISEASE** - Jesus’s Healing Power can cure this.
3. Man has a problem with **EMOTIONS** - Rejection- Fear - Psychological & demonic.

NB: When Christ left the earth, He gave His Body, The Church, the Commission and Command:

Matthew 10:7-8:

“As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.”

WHAT IS DIVINE HEALING?

1. It is NOT “faith healing “!
2. It is NOT “psychic healing”!
3. It is NOT “medical healing”!

DIVINE HEALING is God acting Supernaturally by The Power of The Holy Spirit, causing the human body to be healed, cured, or restored to health, delivering the body from sickness, pain, and the power of disease.

John G Lake (Founder of AFM) said,:"Divine Healing is the Life-Force of The Son of God coming into the physical body and destroying the work of the devil “.

- The Ministry of Healing belongs to EVERY BELIEVER.
- You don't need to be a Prophet, Apostle, Evangelist, Pastor or Teacher!

Mark 16: 15-20:

15 He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.
16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. 17 And these **signs will** accompany those who **believe**: In my name they **will** drive out demons; they **will** speak in new tongues; 18 they **will** pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it **will not** hurt them at all; they **will** place their hands on sick people, and they **will** get well.” 19 After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God. 20 Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and **the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.**”

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE HEALING MINISTRY?

1. To display God's Love, Power, Compassion, Mercy and Goodness.
2. To destroy the works of the devil. God is not responsible for sickness, disease and human suffering. He doesn't put sickness on people. Jesus came to destroy the devils work. Acts 10:38,”How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth, Who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil...”
3. Jesus came to do The Father's Will. Romans 6:23,”The wages of sin is death, but the Gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus.”
4. To give tangible proof that Jesus is ALIVE TODAY.
5. To demonstrate that The Kingdom of God has arrived. It is here! Right Now! Present tense! Matthew 12:28,”But if I cast out demons by The Spirit of God, then The Kingdom of God has surely come to you.”
6. To bring people to Jesus - salvation! Many believe not for the WORD sake, but for the WORKS sake!
7. To bring Glory and Honor to Jesus. Every time the sick get healed or demons are cast out, God gets all the glory and honor.

How Did Jesus Minister To The Sick?

John 14:12,"He who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also, and greater works shall he do because I go to The Father."

- 1. His healing ministry was based on His PRAYER LIFE and close communion with The Father. Through the Gospels, you often found Him ALONE IN PRAYER. He made the following statements:**

John 5:19,"The Son can do nothing of Himself but what HE SEES the Father do".

John 14:10,"The Words that I speak to you, I do not speak by My own authority, but The Father in Me, He does the works."

- Jesus never acted on His own initiative.
- He received instructions from The Father.
- ***He ministered the WILL, the WAYS, the WORDS, and the WORKS of The Father.***

- 2. Jesus began healing the sick only AFTER His Baptism and ANOINTING with The Holy Spirit.**

Luke 4:18,"The Spirit of The Lord is upon Me, because He has Anointed Me....".

- To minister to the sick, it takes God's Power or Anointing flowing through us to drive out demon spirits that may be behind sickness and disease.
- We do not possess this power in ourselves. We need total dependence upon The Holy Spirit.
- One of the keys to receiving and administering healing to the sick is to listen to The Word of God.
- Romans 10:17,"Faith comes by hearing and continually hearing The Word of God."
- Listening to God's Word produces faith, and faith activates the miraculous.
- Eg. Blind Barthamaes
- Eg. The woman with a bleeding disorder or "issue of blood".
- It is commonly reported that during Healing, many people feel "heat" all over their body or some may even feel "electricity" go through their bodies.

- 3. Jesus healed the sick because His motivation was COMPASSION.**

- Interesting to note that, some that He healed, He told them not to tell anyone.
- But how can a blind man keep quiet after being healed?
- They immediately spread the "fame of Jesus" to everyone they met.
- When others heard what Jesus had done, they too came expecting to receive miracles for them, family members or work colleagues.
- Matthew 14:14,"Jesus, moved with Compassion...".

- 4. God's Will concerning healing was revealed through Jesus' Ministry.**

- "All" who came to Him were healed.
- Jesus was never "too busy" to respond to the cries of suffering humanity!
- John 6:38,"I have come down from Heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him Who sent Me."

- If Jesus did the will of God by healing all, then we can conclude that it is God's will today to heal all who are sick and oppressed of the devil.
- Jesus often taught The Word of God before He healed the sick.
- Matthew 9:35,"Jesus went about TEACHING, PREACHING, and HEALING the sick".
- As His followers, we are called to continue His Ministry.
- Preaching God's Word is crucial to building faith, destroying false ideas about what God's Word says about healing, any opinions, and ideologies which contradict His Word. Hearing and Knowing The Truth, sets people free from lies.
- The moment we share God's Word, this is what happens:
 1. ***It creates FAITH in their hearts.***
 2. ***It renews their minds.***
 3. ***It dissolves their doubts.***
 4. ***It removes any faulty theology.***

5. In His healing ministry, Jesus unveils satan and demon spirits as the source of sickness, disease and human suffering.

- Mark 1:32-34
- Luke 13:11 - story of woman "bent over " - handicapped for 18 years. She had "a spirit of infirmity", and Jesus said,"you are loosed from your infirmity".
- Verse 16 says,"whom satan has bound for 18 years ".
- Satan is not selective about who he puts sickness and disease on.
- Mankind bears the image of God. He hates God and everything associated with God.
- Acts 10:38,"How God Anointed Jesus of Nazareth with The Holy Spirit and Power, Who went about doing GOOD and healing ALL who were OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL, for God was WITH HIM."
- "Oppressed" Greek Word "**Katadunasteuo**" meaning OPPOSITION & INTENSITY, as well as "to exercise DOMINION AGAINST. ie. when satan oppresses us, he is exercising dominion against us.
- It is also derived from Greek word "**DUNASTES**" (Or "do nasty's), meaning a RULER, OFFICER, GREAT AUTHORITY OR MIGHTY.
- When satan wants to oppress us, he wants to RULE over us and have AUTHORITY over us. God's original mandate in Genesis was for us to RULE, exercise DOMINION over all He put under Adams authority. Adam gave this away through "the fall".
- Jesus purpose in coming was to set us free from the "dominion, control, rule and authority of satan.
- When we invited Jesus into our lives, or when Jesus chose to accept us into His Kingdom, He became our King, Lord, Ruler. He is our "new Master". We come under "new Management".
- We serve Him out of love, not fear.
- Luke 13:16 - sickness and disease is called "bondage of satan".
- Acts 10:38 - sickness and disease is called "oppression of the devil ".

6. Jesus used different "methods" in ministering to the sick

- There is no prescribed formula.
- Be sensitive to Holy Spirit leading.
- Laying on of hands is one way!
- Matthew chapter 8 & 9
- Jesus laid His hands
- Jesus gave a command - just spoke a word!

- Jesus told them to go and do something.
- Used spit & mud.
- Often stated “your faith has made you whole “.

Summary:

1. We must develop a relationship with The Father through prayer.
2. We must minister to the sick with a tangible anointing of The Holy Spirit.
3. We must show God’s Compassion to the sick and afflicted.
4. We must know that healing is God’s will.
5. We must share God’s Word and build the sick persons faith, before laying hands on them to pray.
6. We must be led by The Holy Spirit and use different methods.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE SAME, YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER MORE!