



THE HEALER

MESSAGE NOTES

WEEK 2 - UNDERSTANDING WHY GOD HEALS

GOD HEALS BECAUSE HE IS A HEALER

I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, your healer.
EXODUS 15:26 ESV

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. PSALMS 147:3 ESV

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
ISAIAH 53:4-5 ESV

HEALING HAS A PURPOSE

When he had entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, appealing to him, “Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, suffering terribly.” And he said to him, “I will come and heal him.” But the centurion replied, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” When Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who followed him, “Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” And to the centurion Jesus said, “Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.” And the servant was healed at that very moment. And when Jesus entered Peter’s house, he saw his mother-in-law lying sick with a fever. He touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she rose and began to serve him. That evening they brought to him many who were oppressed by demons, and he cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “He took our illnesses and bore our diseases.” MATTHEW 8:5-17ESV

BELIEVE GOD CAN HEAL

Go; let it be done for you as you have believed. MATTHEW 8:13 ESV

PRAY THAT GOD WILL HEAL

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ACCEPT GOD'S ANSWER TO MY PRAYER

“Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man under authority...” MATTHEW 8:8-9a ESV

Accepting God's answer is about living under his authority.

Demanding a different answer is about wanting to be in authority.

EVERY PRAYER IS ANSWERED:

- YES
- NO
- WAIT

Jesus specifically healed a non-Jewish Centurion and Peter's Mother-in-law because:

- They were actively serving God

When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent to him elders of the Jews, asking him to come and heal his servant. And when they came to Jesus, they pleaded with him earnestly, saying, “He is worthy to have you do this for him, for he loves our nation, and he is the one who built us our synagogue.” LUKE 7:3-5 ESV

...she rose and began to serve him. MATTHEW 8:15 ESV

- They had faith

When Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who followed him, “Truly, I tell you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. MATTHEW 8:10 ESV

Jesus says yes to healing for three reasons:

- Because of your faith

For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you.
MATTHEW 17:20 ESV

Your faith will not move mountains unless it can first move you.

- To help build your faith

Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" MARK 9:24
ESV

- To lead others to faith