

Why Isn't Everyone Healed?

Lesson 11 – Outline

- I. One of the obvious reasons we don't see people healed today is that we aren't believing God for it.
 - A. We are operating in unbelief.
 - B. Rather than accept that, some folks will criticize me, saying, "You aren't being compassionate. You're just criticizing people you ought to be compassionate toward. You should tell them they're doing the best they can, and that's fine."
 - C. Well, how did Jesus respond? When He found out His disciples couldn't heal the demoniac boy, He declared, "O faithless and perverse generation!" (Matt. 17:17).
 - D. Do you really think that Jesus would have a more compassionate response to you today? Absolutely not!
- II. I've failed. I don't always see healing manifest.
 - A. I've had to accept partial responsibility.
 - B. Am I condemned by that? No, I'm not condemned at all. I believe that God loves me. He has comforted me.
 - C. But knowing the truth has motivated me to learn what His Word says and not allow it to happen again.
- III. It's God's will to heal every single person every single time.
 - A. The reason this doesn't happen isn't because God fails to do it; it's because His representatives aren't operating in the fullness of what He has provided for them.
 - B. I'd rather maintain God's integrity than my own. God is a good God, and He isn't causing people to die.
- IV. There are three main reasons people get sick. One of them is sin.
 - A. After healing the man at the pool of Bethesda, Jesus said to him,

Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.

John 5:14

- B. Jesus made it very clear in this verse that this man's sickness returning, and even something worse than what he'd had, could come on him if he sinned.
- C. When alcoholics drink all of their lives and get liver disease, they did that to themselves—not because God did it, not because the devil did it directly, but because they're reaping the results of their sin (Rom. 6:21-23).

- V. The second major reason we get sick is because we are in a battle with the devil.
 - A. Sometimes our Enemy just fights us, and it's not based on an individual sin we've committed.

And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

John 9:2-3

- B. Jesus was saying that neither this man's sins nor his parents' sins had caused this blindness.
 - C. Sometimes Satan just attacks us with things.
- VI. The third main reason people get sick is simply natural things.
 - A. Spirit-filled Christians will often so spiritualize everything that they don't recognize that there are just some things that happen naturally.
 - B. I've heard of people who dove off a cliff and hit a rock in a pool of water. Now they're quadriplegic.
 - C. It wasn't necessarily the devil that did that to them. He may have enticed them to go against their better judgment and do something that wasn't wise, but it was natural.
- VII. The good news is that no matter what caused the sickness—sin, the devil, or something natural—there's always something we can do about it.
 - A. Since the Lord has redeemed us from sickness and disease, we can take our authority, exercise our faith, and effect a cure.
 - B. Even if our own sin opened a door and brought the sickness on us, we can repent and release the forgiveness and healing power of God in our lives.

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Lesson 11 – Discipleship Questions

1. Read Matthew 17:19. Did the disciples ask Jesus this question in front of the multitude?
2. Read Matthew 17:5. How pleased is God with His beloved Son?
3. According to Matthew 17:14-17, what was the first thing the father asked Jesus?
 - A. Why they couldn't cast the demon out.
 - B. If "Christ" was His last name.
 - C. If He would have mercy on his son.
 - D. All of the above.
 - E. None of the above.
4. What did Jesus call faithless and perverse?
5. According to Mark 9:17-29, what did Jesus do when He saw the people coming?
6. What did many say after Jesus cast the spirit out of the boy?
7. But Jesus did what?
8. Read John 5:14. Where did Jesus find the man after he had been made whole?
9. Read to Romans 6:21-23. "**But now being _____ free from sin.**"
10. What is the gift of God?
11. According to John 9:2-3, what did Jesus' disciples call Him?
12. Read Romans 3:23. How many have sinned and come short of the glory of God?
13. According to 1 Peter 5:8, why should we be sober and vigilant?

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Lesson 11 – Scriptures

Matthew 17:19

Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

Matthew 17:5

While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

Matthew 17:14-17

And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, [15] Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oftentimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water. [16] And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him. [17] Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.

Mark 9:17-29

And one of the multitude answered and said, Master, I have brought unto thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit; [18] And wheresoever he taketh him, he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not. [19] He answereth him, and saith, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me. [20] And they brought him unto him: and when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming. [21] And he asked his father, How long is it ago since this came unto him? And he said, Of a child. [22] And oftentimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us. [23] Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. [24] And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief. [25] When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, Thou dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him. [26] And the spirit cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him: and he was as one dead; insomuch that many said, He is dead. [27] But Jesus took him by the hand, and lifted him up; and he arose. [28] And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, Why could not we cast him out? [29] And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

John 5:14

Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.

Romans 6:21-23

What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. [22] But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. [23] For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 9:2-3

And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? [3] Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

Romans 3:23

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

I Peter 5:8

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.