

## MODERN DAY TESTIMONIES

**A woman** in SC had damaged her knee and needed surgery. She had no medical insurance and could not afford to have the surgery, so she walked on crutches for several years. One night during church service while praying at the altar, she got up and was able to walk! No pain and no crutches. The Lord reached down and healed her in the blink of an eye!

**In a church** in Tennessee, there was a faithful woman who was diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer. After treatment, the tumors would stop growing, but ultimately begin again to multiply. For years she would go back for more and different treatments. But during that time, she was still faithful, believing the Lord would eventually heal her completely. Just this year the doctors finally told her, much to their astonishment, that the tumors were shrinking! They didn't even understand why! God is healing that woman – maybe not as quickly as she would like, but He is in the process of healing her!

**A woman** in West Virginia needed to have brain surgery to “coil” an aneurysm that she had suffered with for years. She was told that the surgery only gave her



a 50% chance of survival and even then she would definitely suffer a stroke during the surgery which could cause any number of problems - blindness, the loss of movement, the inability to speak. This woman's daughter and her church prayed for her for several months leading up to this surgery. The surgery not only took less than half the time they had anticipated, but there were no complications. She went home the very next day with no need of any rehabilitation or medica-

## MIRACULOUS?

Healing is a process. (Mark 8:22-25) Miraculous healing is when someone is healed instantly, such as getting up out of a wheelchair and walking. (John 5:8)

In John 5:8 Jesus tells the lame man to “... rise, take up thy bed, and walk.” And he does – instantly – it is a miraculous healing.

But sometimes healings take a little longer – it is not for us to understand, God does the healing.

In Mark 8:22-25 we are told of a man who wishes to be healed – to have his sight. Jesus puts His hands upon him and asks if he can see. He says he sees men as trees. Jesus places His hands on the man's eyes again and made him look up.



***And he was restored...  
(Mathew 8:25)***

There are many testimonies of the Lord healing people – from biblical times until today, things doctors and nurses cannot understand! They have limited knowledge, but Jesus knows us – inside and out – He created us, He can heal us. Who knows what your testimony will be!

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Healing*



# DIVINE HEALING

In the beginning God created man and woman. Adam and Eve were physically as perfect as humans could be.

After their disobedience in the Garden, sin came into the world and that sin had lasting consequences. Death began in both Adam and Eve and in all those that came after. Sickness and disease became part of the human experience.

## JESUS, OUR HEALER

God could not ignore sin, but He provided a means for the forgiveness of sin. Speaking of the coming of the Messiah, Isaiah tells us that “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.***” (Isaiah 53:5) That atonement not only redeemed us, but it also made a provision for physical healing.

There is nothing too great for the Lord! There is no disease, no cancer, no illness, no tumor, no heart disease, no organ failure, no virus, no infection, and no infirmity that He cannot touch and heal. He created us – He knows every hair on our heads, (Luke 12:7) He knows how our bodies function and He is more than able to heal us!

The Word of God tells us that he healed “many who were sick with various diseases” (Mark 1:34). He healed the lepers and those that were blind, deaf, maimed, even those that had died (Matthew 11:5; Matthew 15:30). Healing is not something



we earn, nor is it something we can demand of God. Rather, we ask for it in faith, (Matthew 21:22) believing that the Lord can heal all manner of illness and disease.

## MODERN MEDICINE

The Lord does not desire us to be ignorant. He has provided us with the ability to think, to create, to learn. He has given us the knowledge to understand our bodies and how they function. He has given doctors, nurses, EMT’s, and other medical professions the desire to learn and to help those who are sick and hurt. It is our responsibility to take care of ourselves, keeping our bodies healthy. But to also seek proper help when sickness or disease comes upon us.



However, we should not just seek the help of man. We need to bring our need to the Lord, remembering that He is our Great Physician and has already healed us through His stripes. When we have done all that we are able to do, we can trust that He will do the rest. Jesus responds to our faith.

## HEALING IN THE BIBLE

There are so many accounts given in the Bible where Jesus healed the people. In Matthew 8:13 Jesus tells the Centurion that his servant is healed. As he (the Centurion) believed so it is! In Matthew 12:15, Jesus heals the multitude!

In Mark 5:36 Jesus tells the ruler of the Synagogue not to be afraid, but to believe after he is informed that his daughter has died. Jesus brings the ruler and his wife into the room where their daughter lay dead, tells her to rise, and she is miraculously healed.

In Luke, 8:47 Jesus heals a woman who has spent 12 years being sick and has spent every last dime she has on physicians and healers.

***..your faith has made you well.  
(Matthew 9:22)***

There are 45 verses in the New Testament where

Jesus heals the people, and many accounts where He healed the sick AFTER His crucifixion. Acts 5:16 the multitude is healed through the apostles.

In Acts 14:8 there is man who is not able to walk, and he sits listening to the Apostle Paul speak. Paul senses the man’s faith and tells him to get up and walk, and he is healed. In Acts 3:6 Peter tells the lame man that he has nothing to give him, but what he does have he will give – and in the name of Jesus Christ, get up and walk. Although Jesus is no longer physically there, He used Peter, John, and Paul as vessels for healing. The Lord continues to use people for Healing today, just as He did then.

## HEALING TODAY

Divine healing can occur in many ways, prayer cloths, anointing the sick, and the prayer of faith all still work.

Acts 19:12 tells us that handkerchiefs and aprons (cloths) were brought to the sick and their disease left them. Prayer cloths are pieces of cloth that have been anointed with oil and prayed over for healing of the body.

The cloth itself is not special. It is the faithful prayers of believers that makes the cloth special. The cloth is then placed under the pillow of the individual who is ill, or pinned to their clothing. It is faith - confidence that He can heal - that calls out to God.

James 5:14 tells us that we should call upon the elders of the church and have them pray over and anoint those that are sick or have an infirmity. And in James 5:15, the Word also tells us to pray the prayer of faith over the sick – asking the Lord to give them faith to believe that they can be healed.

