Receiving Your **Promise** of **Healing**

If you are a born again believer you



have a legal right to receive divine healing. It was accomplished for you on Calvary, at the same time Christ accomplished your salvation. Receive it now! It is a gift from God.

For I am the Lord that healeth thee. Ex. 15:26 And I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. Ex .23:25b You may ask why is it that some people are healed instantly when prayed for in healing meetings while others go from place to place,

seeking healing only to be disappointed time after time.

Or why is it that some people, obviously less devout than others, receive a miracle from God while some pillars of the church have suffered for years with sickness. Is Acts 10:34 not true that "...God is no respecter of persons"? Or have we failed to receive healing, due to a lack of understanding of what God's Word teaches on the subject.

Much emphasis has been placed on METHODS, (or points of contact), such as laying on of hands, anointing with oil, or the ministers' prayer, rather than God's promise of healing. These methods or points of contacts, are simply avenues through which we can release our faith in God's Word.

A great deal of emphasis has been placed on the practice of anointing with oil, laying on of hands, gifts of healings, and praying for the sick. But there is more to healing than just anointing with oil and\or laying on of hands.

The anointing oil, the laying on of hands, and the minister's prayer are simply methods or points of contact. They, in themselves, do not heal. They are simply avenues through which we can release our faith in God's Word.

Much emphasis has been placed also upon the gifts of healings, listed in *I Cor.* 12:28; *I Cor.* 12 8-10 among the gifts of the Spirit ". There will be manifestations of these supernatural gifts, when people preach them, teach them, believe in them, and yield to the Spirit of God; BUT these gifts are not always in operation. *I Cor.* 12:11 tells us they are manifested at the Spirits will.

New Christians, many times are healed by special manifestations. Later, when they are sick again, they expect to be healed the same way and they are disappointed when they are not. These supernatural manifestations of healing, usually are more frequently manifested among sinners or denominational believers who have not heard divine healing taught. The gifts seldom, if ever are seen working for Full Gospel people.

WHY? Glad you asked.

Because gifts of healings and super-natural manifestations are given primarily to advertise the Gospel and gain the attention of those outside the church. The believer can and should be healed by releasing his faith in the Word of God.

Distinction is to be made between healings obtained through supernatural manifestations verses those received by exercising faith in God's Word alone.

This must be understood: that the individual does not operate these supernatural gifts: they are manifested through him. We can't make them operate any time we wish; we can only stay open to the manifestation of the Spirit of God, as he wills. *I Cor. 12:11.* We can't just push a button and turn them on. They operate as the Spirit wills.

We stay open for them but we do not have to wait for them to be healed. And that's Good News!

God wants us healed and He has made provision for us and has made us able to receive it. We don't have to wait for the manifestation because Jesus has provided for us on the cross at Calvary. Healing already belongs to us. It isn't a matter of prayer, or the manifestation of a gift in operation.

Healing already belongs to us be-cause it was provided for us by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Many people fail to receive healing because they base their faith upon prayer

to be healed instead of the Word of God. They expected prayer to do for them what only God's Word can do. Even if there is prayer, it is successful only when it is based on the promises in the Word of God.

WE MUST GET INTO THE WORD OF GOD AND FIND OUT WHAT BELONGS TO US!

When one comes to you for prayer, find out what the NEED is and show them in the Bible what it says about it. For until you can cause them to know and act upon what the Word says, you can pray forever without results.

In God's eyes, it is already bought and paid for. It is ours. It is simply a matter of us receiving\accepting the salvation, healing, gift of the Holy Spirit, or blessing which God has already provided and offers.

Some say such things as:

- Well, I believe God will heal me some time.
- In God's own time and in His own way.
- If it is His will, I will be healed.
- It may not be His will that I be healed, not everyone is healed.

I Peter 2:24 says "...by whose stripes YOU WERE healed". He doesn't say you are GONNA BE, or MIGHT BE but you "WERE HEALED." He is looking BACK at Calvary. Because I was healed THEN....I receive that healing NOW.

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Isa. 53:4 God laid our diseases upon Jesus. He was "stricken", smitten of God. Therefore Satan has no right to put on us what God put on Jesus.

I have heard some say "God may get more glory out of my being sick." Well if that is true, what right did He have putting your sickness upon Jesus then, if He wanted you to bear it.?

Because Jesus bore them, you and I are free!

However, God's blessings don't just fall on us like apples falling off of a tree.

ALL of God's blessings and provisions ARE CONDITIONAL!

He has given us His Word to know what conditions must be met in order for us to RECEIVE.

As in every covenant\contract, there are 2 sides. There is God's side and there is man's side. Man's part is to obey God and receive what He has provided. In I Cor. 10:11 Paul said what happened to Israel is an example for us. When God led the children of Israel out of Egypt (a type of the world), He did not abandon them in the wilderness. He had a better blessing for them. He had Canaan's land.

Canaan is a type of our rights & privileges in Christ (which include healing). God promised them repeatedly that He was going to give them the land.

When they finally crossed over Jordan river into Canaan, God said "Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses." Joshua 1:3.

God said He would give them the land but the people had to possess it. That's how it is with our rights and privileges in Christ.

Healing belongs to us. God has provided it for us, but we have to possess it. Until we possess the provision, we cannot enjoy its benefits.

Many are waiting for God to do something about their sickness and say "if God ever heals me then I will believe it". Many sinners say the same thing about salvation. It's been said "if God wants to save me, He will. I'm just waiting on God." They want to leave it all up to God.

Rev. 22:17 says "..whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely".

THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECEIVING IS ON MAN'S SIDE.

Both the believer and the sinner need to straighten out their thinking by getting into the Word and receive\accept what is rightfully ours.