

# **SERMON NOTES**

The Book of Acts: Biblical Healing Acts 3:12-16

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Churches should be healing centers! The ministry of Jesus today in the earth isn't excluded to salvation but healing and deliverance for those in bondage.

"Casting your care upon the Lord because He cares for you."

1 Peter 5:7

# Can God heal today? Does he heal today?

## Acts 3:12-16 (NKJV)

<sup>12</sup> So when Peter saw it, he responded to the people: "Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go. <sup>14</sup> But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup> and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses.

<sup>16</sup> And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

# Even when sinners use God's name in vain; God can turn their cursing into praise. *Psalm 76:10*

For the wrath of man shall praise You:

## There is power in the name of Jesus when it is spoken under the influence of the Holy Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:3 (NLT)

<sup>3</sup> So I want you to know that no one speaking by the Spirit of God will curse Jesus, and no one can say Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit.

#### A biblical promise of a long life-

Psalm 91:16 (NKJV)

<sup>16</sup> With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

#### Psalm 90:10a (NKJV)

"The days of our lives are seventy years; And if by reason of strength they are eighty years..."

#### WHY IS THERE SUFFERING AND SICKNESS IN OUR WORLD?

#### 1. The Fall

Genesis 1:31, he said that everything was very good.

### Romans 5:12 (NLT)

When Adam's sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

See John's Gospel chapter nine.

#### 2. Personal Sin

#### 1 Corinthians 11:30 (NKJV)

<sup>30</sup> For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep.

John 5:14 (NLT)

<sup>14</sup> But afterward Jesus found him in the Temple and told him, "Now you are well; so stop sinning, or something even worse may happen to you."

#### 3. Satanic Attack

Matthew 8:16-17 (NKJV)

<sup>16</sup> When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, <sup>17</sup> that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses."

1 John 3:8 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup> He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

#### THINGS TO KNOW

## 1. God is a Healer

Exodus 15:26 (NKJV)

and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD whith heals you."

1 John 5:14-15 (NKJV)

- <sup>14</sup> Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.
- <sup>15</sup> And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Matthew 14:14 (NKJV)

<sup>14</sup> And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Matthew 9:35 NKJV

### 2. Healing Glorifies God

It confirms the message of Christ. This man's miracles advanced the gospel among non-believers.

Mark 16:20 (NKJV)

<sup>20</sup> And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

Romans 15:19 (NLT)

<sup>19</sup> They were convinced by the power of miraculous signs and wonders and by the power of God's Spirit. In this way, I have fully presented the Good News of Christ from Jerusalem all the way to Illyricum.

# 3. Healing is God's Will *Mark 11:22-25 (NKJV)*

<sup>22</sup> So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. <sup>23</sup> For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. <sup>24</sup> Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. <sup>25</sup> "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.

James 5:14-15 (NKJV)

<sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

# No condemnation if healing is delayed! 2 Timothy 4:20 (NLT)

<sup>20</sup> Erastus stayed at Corinth, and I left Trophimus sick at Miletus.