

**Divine Healing Begins in our Heart  
The heart of the Matter**

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**1. What we believe in our heart is going to set the course for our life. WHY? ... Because faith is of the heart!**

Romans 10:10 For, **with the heart man believes** ... resulting in salvation, healing ...

Luke 6:45 **A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.**

**2. Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life – (Proverbs 4:23 NIV)**

Proverbs 4:20-22 My son, **give attention to my Words; incline your ear to my sayings.** <sup>21</sup> **Do not let them depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart;** <sup>22</sup> **for they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh.**

Proverbs 4:10 Hear, **my son, and receive my sayings, and the years of your life will be many.**

Isaiah 62:10 ... **take out the stones**

**3. God by His very nature and by His name is – the Lord our Healer – We need to settle this Truth deep in our heart!**

**EXAMPLE:** Some still believe God uses sickness to TEST people.

James 1:13 **Let no one say when he is tempted, 'I am tempted by God'; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.**

James 1:16-17 **Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.** <sup>17</sup> **Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning**

Hosea 4:6a **My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge,**

Isaiah 5:13a ... **My people have gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge; ...**

HOW DO I PUT GOOD TREASURE INTO MY HEART? **The right kind of knowledge is KEY!**

1 John 1:5 ... **God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.**

John 10:10 **The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.**

**3. Healing is one of the benefits God included in the Old Covenant**

Psalms 103:2-3 **Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name!** <sup>2</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and **forget not all His benefits:**** <sup>3</sup> **Who **forgives all your iniquities**, Who **heals all your diseases**,** <sup>4</sup> **Who **redeems your life from destruction**,** **Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,** <sup>5</sup> **Who **satisfies your mouth with good things**, So that **your youth is renewed like the eagle's.****

If SOMEONE is not experiencing the fullness of Ps 103, it is not because it is not God's WILL! **God is not willing that any should perish**, Sadly, there will be millions that will go into eternity lost .... But it is not God's fault and it IS NOT His will!

Deuteronomy 30:19 **I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; **therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live;****

Proverbs 26:23 **My son, give me your heart and let your eyes delight in my ways,**

**4. God revealed Himself to Israel as Jehovah Rapha, I AM the Lord your Healer**

Exodus 15:26 **Is a conditional promise... **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 who heals you.******

Hebrews 8:6 *He is also Mediator of a **better covenant, which was established on better promises.***

Psalms 84:11 *For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory; **No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.***

## 5. Jesus Christ came to reveal the heart of His Father

John 14:7-9 *If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.”<sup>8</sup> Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.”<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? **He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?***

### a. Jesus revealed the Father’s WILLINGNESS to heal people

Mark 1:40-42 *Now a leper came to Him, imploring Him, kneeling down to Him and saying to Him, “If You are willing, You can make me clean.”<sup>41</sup> Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, “**I am willing; be cleansed.**”<sup>42</sup> As soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy left him, and he was cleansed.*

### b. Jesus who is God healed ‘all’ who came to Him for healing (Matthew 12:15)

Jesus said, ... Healing is the children’s bread ...(Matthew 15:26)

### c. Jesus called sickness a bondage of the devil

Luke 13:16 *... ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, **whom Satan has bound**—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?*

## 6. Sickness is called an oppression of the devil

Acts 10:38 ... **God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.**

## 7. God sent His Word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions (Psalm 107:20)

## 8. Healing begins in the Heart

Luke 6:45 ***A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.***

Psalms 119:130 *The entrance of His Word gives light...*

**Eye gate, ear gate, what we HEAR, what we SEE, the Words we speak all go in and come out of our heart**

Proverbs 4:23 NIV | Proverbs 4:10-13 | Proverbs 4:20-22 | Proverbs 18:21

## 9. JESUS TAUGHT THE 4 CONDITIONS OF THE HEART – PARABLE OF THE SOWER - Locate yourself – ECG...

Mark 4:3-8 .... **Mark 4:13-20 The sower sows the Word ...**

Mark 4:24 *Then He said to them, “**Take heed what you hear.** With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you;*

**EXAMPLE:** *Men’s hearts failing them from FEAR* **Luke 21:26** (what’s in your heart?) | **Job 3:25-26** |

**THE ANSWER – Isaiah 54:14** *In righteousness you shall be established....* | **1 Tim 1:7** |

**In closing ...**

**Psalm 139:23-24** *...**Search our hearts,** to try us to see if there is any offensive, wrong way in us and lead us in His path everlasting...*

**Isaiah 62:10** *Go through, Go through the gates! Prepare the way for the people; build up, Build up the highway! **Take out the stones, Lift up a banner for the peoples!***