

HEALING COMES FROM THE MOST HIGH
(Ecclesiastices 38:1-16 . Apocrypha)

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Revival of interest in Spiritual Healing.

Faith Healing - Newspapers - Magazine articles

View it on T. V. Miracles before your eyes - Cancer, Tumors, Crutches, Wheelchairs, discarded - Healing Line.

Tents - 10 - 20,000 people nightly

Motto: "Tell everybody of this"

Jesus "See that thou tell no man of this."

Many Faith healers are sincere, earnest men.
Many Faith Healers are Frauds.

Miami, Fla. - 10,000 crowded in a tent.
Applaud what appeared a remarkable healing

Mother of 5 children.

Faith Healer declared the little girl had never spoken a word.

Took her on his knee and prayed.

Spoke a word and told child to repeat it - the child succeeded.

Spoke a second and third word - the child succeeded.

Crowd rose and cheered.

Reporter of Miami Herald sought out mother and home address and the school the child attended.

Teacher of speech spoke of sad case, very slow and of progress. She can now say three words and uttered them. Same words Evangelist used and the crowd thought they were the first.

Aftermath of some Faith Healing Missions may leave some disillusioned and despairing people.

Undoubtedly, some cases of illness improved or cured.

Power of faith is so great it will produce results under unpromising conditions.

Many No permanence.

Jesus healed men's physical and mental illnesses.

He put healings in a secondary position.

His mission was to proclaim the Kingdom of God.

He did not want public excitement over His healings.

86 Yr. old woman - Highly publicized healer held out extravagant hopes - None could be fulfilled. She was in despair and prayed for God to let her die.

The thing that confuses - it is concerned with a spiritual force - and Faith linked to God releases healing.

How to distinguish between misuse of Faith Healing and that employed by Christians.

One sure way - Submit "Cures" for medical examination.

The Church must bear a measure of the blame for the present situation.

One of the Ministries of the Church in Apostolic days - neglected and some pastors refuse to recognize impt.

Spiritual Healing.

Healing Cults have filled the vacuum.

Medical Science is also to blame. Some students of medicine taught only about the body - nothing about the soul.

The physician always need the support of a true religion - No place in this profession for an atheist.

Pastors see work of physician at close range. I have seen darkness turn to light - "The doctor is here" - He is one of God's workers. He comes as a friend. Comes into homes of strangers.

The Minister cooperates with the Physician.

All healing is Divine healing. Medical science is of God and Faith healing. Physicians are girded of God even though he may not acknowledge it - Isa. 45:5- Cyrus, Pagan, Persian king - :I girded thee, though thou hast not known me" - God said through Prophet Isaiah.

Pasteur - Medical research - Bacteriology.

Lord Lister - Antiseptic Surgery

James Simpson - Discoverer of chloroform.

Alexander Fleming - Penicillin

All of these were agents of God.

Eccles. 38:1-2 (Heb. Script.) "Honor a physician according to thy need of him - with the honors due unto him, for verily the Lord hath created him, for from the most high cometh healing".

Minister prayer in Faith the promises of God and the patient takes hope and has a will to live.

Effort of prayer

Jesus - directed at the redemption of the whole individual.

Physical healing and Spiritual ills remain.

Woman -

Mark 5:26

Luke 8:43 - No one could help.

Touched Him - Faith made whole - go in peace - Wholeness.

PSYGHOSOMATIC MEDICINE - Mind and body.

Man in mind and body - disturbed mind - emotional state of the mind - blood pressure, headaches, diabetes, T. B. . They say the mind plays important rold.

Man - improving diabetes.

Sudden relapse - Received distressing news by letter.

Medical Students told "Treat the patient as a person".

Dr. John Bonnell - tells of a school teacher - stroke - very bitter towards her father and sister. She, the youngest had to stop teaching and stay home to keep her aging father. He left little in his will to her, but almost all to the other two. She developed Hypertension.

Ephesians 4: 31, 32 - Put away anger and bitterness.

Prayer - not tell God what he ought to do - For God's power to flow through every muscle, bone, nerve, sinew and organ with healing peace.

Incredible improvement took place in her physical condition. She changed her attitude towards her sisters and became understanding and patient.

Luke 5:17-25 - Story healing - Great physician - Burden of guilt removed - could walk.

Words - Heal and Health occur 77 times in New Testament.

Jesus sought healing - renewal of body, mind and soul.

Nothing puts hope in a sick person as words of Jesus "Have faith in God" - The Church people are praying for you - Have faith in God. Have faith in God."

HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON

Some doctors study disease and neglect the patient.

Worries, fears, hates - All are deadly.

Distractions - Pressure.

Not an accident Moses spent forty years in the wilderness as the Shepherd. Humble vocation in solitude. God spoke to him and he liberated the great people of God.

David keeping watch over his flocks by day and by night.

Dr. E. Stanley Jones - Missionary to India.

Suffered repeated 'Nervous breakdowns'. Tried many things. Accepted divine assurance "Leave this matter of your health to Me"

When sickness strikes us or our family - What??

1. Never become panicky - Remember resources are available: The skilled physician, Faith and Prayer, These are of God.
2. Notify the Pastor - James 5:15-16
3. Complete surrender to God and His divine will.
4. Beware of healing services charged with emotionalism.
5. Do not seek healing as an end in itself. Jesus wants to make you whole.
6. Make the spiritual help of most importance.
2 Cor. 12:9
2 Cor. 12:10

Stock in trade of some healers - It is a lack of faith that prevents a cure.

7. PREVENTION is always better than a cure.

Cultivate healthy habits and mindedness.

Maintain devotional life.

Day by day keep appointments with God. Psalm 4:8