**Christ The Healer Lecture Series - Topics & Content:**

**Week 1: Tuesday May 7, 2017**

*Welcome – glad you are here!*

*(Topical study of Christ the Healer: connecting the dots spread through the Word)*

**Healer Session 1 A:**

*Intro & Overview:*

* The issue:

-People are sick and in pain wherever you go worldwide and are seeking healing through a variety of ways both natural and supernatural.

* Our goal:

-To examine God’s Word on healing:

-How this is His plan for us His children,

-How we can play a part in helping others.

* As always, we must submit our opinions and experiences to the Word.

-See Discovery Series that focuses on the Integrity of God’s Word.

* To this end, we overview the topics of:

-Jesus’ heart motivation and healing ministry.

-The Healing Covenant: Old & New – healing has always been part of His plan

-Methods and examples of Healing: How God gets ‘it’ through to us.

-Various dynamics like faith, worship, the Holy Spirit’s anointing…

-How to minister healing for the sick

-Practicalities: lifestyle, diet, exercise, doctors, medicine.

**Healing is in God’s Heart**

# Where we begin: where else?

# John1:1,14

# *‘In the beginning was the word* and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. *… and the word became flesh and dwelt among us*’

# Hebrews 1:1-3a

***1****God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,****2****has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;****3****who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person,*

* Jesus perfectly represents God’s person, nature and will to us:

 Perfectly & fully human and fully and perfectly divine.

 (The miracle of incarnation) – See Discovery Lecture Series

* As such the leper in Jesus day discovered God’s willingness to heal him.

-He didn’t doubt His ability, but questioned His willingness.

**Matthew 8:1-3**

***8****When He had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him.****2****And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, “Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean.”*

***3****Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, “I am willing; be cleansed.” Immediately his leprosy was cleansed.*

**Willingness and Motivation:**

* Some say Jesus healed to validate His deity: there’s some truth to that, but not completely.
* John sent messengers to ask Jesus whether he was the Messiah.

**Luke 7:20-22**

*At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits, and gave sight to many who were blind. So he replied to the messengers, ‘Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.*

-These were just the sorts of miracles the prophets had predicted would confirm the presence of Israel’s Messiah. The answer was clear: Jesus’ miracles confirmed his messages.

* Then Miracles certainly glorify God:

# Matthew 15:30-31

***30****Then great multitudes came to Him, having with them the lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others; and they laid them down at Jesus’ feet, and He healed them.****31****So the multitude marveled when they saw the mute speaking, the maimed made whole, the lame walking, and the blind seeing; and they glorified the God of Israel.*

 -Indeed, the fruit of the miracles produced glory.

* That said, what was **at the heart of what moved Jesus** to heal people of physical afflictions?

-It was His heart of **compassion** for suffering people.

# Matthew 14:14

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

**Mark 1:41**

***41****Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, “I am willing; be cleansed.”*

# Matthew 20:31, 34

*31Then the multitude warned them that they should be quiet; but they cried out all the more, saying, “Have mercy on us, O Lord, Son of David!”*

*34So Jesus had compassion and touched their eyes. And immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed Him.*

**Conclusion to Session 1 A:**

* God knows what we have need of and provided for it in Christ…

…the healer.

**Research & Notes:**

*Some Biblical definitions:*

Derived from both Hebrew (Old Testament) and Greek (New Testament).

* Sickness: *“state of disease and disorder, imbalance, distress, infirmity or weakness.”*
* Death: *“separation from the source of life: both physical and spiritual.”*
* Health: *“state of well being and soundness where there is freedom function.”*
* Healing: *“to make whole, to remedy, to cure, to restore to a sound state.”*
* Covenant: *“two party contract of agreement to bring about mutual benefit.”*
* Salvation: *“deliverance, safety, preservation, healing and soundness.”*
* Gospel: *“good news of God’s salvation for man through Jesus.”*
* Compassion: *“tender love, pity and felt distress.”*
* Life: *“a state of existence and function in relation to both the physical and the*

*spiritual realms.’*

* Prosperity: *“a state of spiritual, emotional and physical well being and soundness.”*

**Healer Session 1 B:**

*(God’s plan for man)*

* We live in a world that seems haphazard at times, yet this is not God’s way nor perspective.

 -He has a plan for man.

**Foundations:**

* The big picture: something went wrong!

-All was good (harmony) to start with.

It was the **breath of life** that God breathed into Adam.

**Genesis 1:31**

*Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good.*

* There was a fall and God was **not** responsible for.

**Genesis 2:17**

***17****but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.” (In dying you shall die: from inner to outer).*

**Genesis 3:21-22**

***1****Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God made tunics of skin, and clothed them.*

***22****Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”*

* Death or separation, and cursing entered in **after** man’s sin.

-Separation from God’s immediate presence…death followed.

* The fall affected both the ‘inner and outer man.’

**Romans 5:12**

***12****Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—*

* God’s plan to restore mankind to original condition is described by Luke in…

**Acts 3:18-2**

***18****But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled.****19****Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,****20****and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before,[*[*a*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+3&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-27017a)*]****21****whom heaven must receive until the times of* ***restoration of all things****, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.*

* Whole plan for the whole man: inner and outer.

**1Thess 5:23**

***23****Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

* Jesus (God) has come to give us ‘life’ as He lives it.

-Based on His gift of an up close & personal relationship.

**John 10:10**

***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.*

**John 17:3**

***3****And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.*

* The plan continues in and through us to subsequent generations:

**Mark 16:15,18**

-He calls us, restores us, trains us, releases us to continue.

**Conclusion to this session 1 B:**

* God’s plan of restoration for the well-being of the whole man is **already in motion.**
* His heart’s joy is that we know this plan, enjoy it’s benefits and share with others.

**Research & Notes**

*Some useful Biblical Definitions:*

Man has sinned against God, and has to be reconciled to Him.

The cross is the pivotal point of God’s plan for man.

The following words shed some light on what our salvation involves

* Atonement: “covering of sin by blood sacrifice.”
* Remission: “freedom from, pardon, release, cleansing and removal.”
* Redemption: “to buy back and restore to original condition.”
* Vicarious: “substitution or in place of.”
* Sacrifice: “something killed and offered to God.”

**Christ The Healer - Topics & Content:**

**(Week 2: Tuesday May 16, 2017)**

**Healer Session 2 A:**

**Intro:**

The Miracles of Jesus

*Miracle: “supernatural happening contrary to the known nature and order of things.”*

* 26 of the 37 recorded miracles relate to healing.
* Examine and notate the list as to which miracle had to do with:

-The Lord’s sovereign grace through the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

-The people’s faith: both individual and / or their friends.

* Note also the context in which miracles took place.

-Need / Word was preached or taught.

* Reference to or inference of the Holy Spirit anointing.

**Notes & Resources:**

**Week 2: Tuesday May 14, 2017**

**Healer Session 2 B:**

**Healing Scriptures:**

**Isa 58:8**

Then your light shall break forth like the morning, your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. (NKJ)

**Jer 33:6**

`Behold, I will bring it health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth. (NKJ)

**Mal 4:2**

But to you who fear My name the Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings; and you shall go out and grow fat like stall-fed calves. (NKJ)

**Matt 4:23**

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. (NKJ)

**Matt 9:35**

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. (NKJ)

**Luke 9:6**

they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere. (NKJ)

**Luke 9:11**

But when the multitudes knew it, they followed Him; and He received them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who had need of healing. (NKJ)

**Acts 4:22**

For the man was over forty years old on whom this miracle of healing had been performed. (NKJ)

**Acts 10:38**

"how 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. (NKJ)

**Rev 22:2**

In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. (NKJ)

**health (NKJ)**

**Prov 3:8**

It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones. (NKJ)

Prov 4:22

22 For they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh. (NKJ)

Prov 12:18

18 There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes health. (NKJ)

Prov 13:17

17 A wicked messenger falls into trouble, but a faithful ambassador brings health. (NKJ)

Prov 16:24

24 Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the bones. (NKJ)

Jer 30:17

17 For I will restore health to you and heal you of your wounds,' says the LORD, `Because they called you an outcast saying: "This is Zion; no one seeks her." ' (NKJ)

Jer 33:6

6 `Behold, I will bring it health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth. (NKJ)

3 Jn 1:2

2 Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers. (NKJ)

**heal (NKJ)**

Matt 8:7

7 And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." (NKJ)

Matt 10:1

1 And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. (NKJ)

Matt 10:8

8 "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. (NKJ)

Matt 12:10

10 And behold, there was a man who had a withered hand. And they asked Him, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"-- that they might accuse Him. (NKJ)

Matt 13:15

15 For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them.' (NKJ)

Mark 3:2

2 So they watched Him closely, whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him. (NKJ)

Mark 3:15

15 and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons: (NKJ)

Luke 4:18

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; (NKJ)

Luke 5:17

17 Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them. (NKJ)

Luke 6:7

7 So the scribes and Pharisees watched Him closely, whether He would heal on the Sabbath, that they might find an accusation against Him. (NKJ)

Luke 7:3

3 So when he heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to Him, pleading with Him to come and heal his servant. (NKJ)

Luke 9:2

2 He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. (NKJ)

Luke 10:9

9 "And heal the sick there, and say to them, `The kingdom of God has come near to you.' (NKJ)

Luke 14:3

3 And Jesus, answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?" (NKJ)

John 4:47

47 When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and implored Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. (NKJ)

John 12:40

40 "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, lest they should see with their eyes, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them." (NKJ)

Acts 4:30

30 "by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus." (NKJ)

**healed (NKJ)**

Gen 20:17

17 So Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants. Then they bore children; (NKJ)

II Ki 2:21-22

21 Then he went out to the source of the water, and cast in the salt there, and said, "Thus says the LORD: `I have healed this water; from it there shall be no more death or barrenness.'"

22 So the water remains healed to this day, according to the word of Elisha which he spoke. (NKJ)

2 Chr 30:20

20 And the LORD listened to Hezekiah and healed the people. (NKJ)

Ps 30:2

2 O LORD my God, I cried out to You, and You healed me. (NKJ)

Ps 107:20

20 He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. (NKJ)

Isa 53:5

5 But He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. (NKJ)

Jer 17:14

14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved, for You are my praise. (NKJ)

**medicine (NKJ)**

Prov 17:22

22 A merry heart does good, like medicine, but a broken spirit dries the bones. (NKJ)

Ezek 47:12

12 "Along the bank of the river, on this side and that, will grow all kinds of trees used for food; their leaves will not wither, and their fruit will not fail. They will bear fruit every month, because their water flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for medicine." (NKJ)

**physician (NKJ)**

Matt 9:12

12 When Jesus heard that, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. (NKJ)

Mark 2:17

17 When Jesus heard it, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." (NKJ)

Luke 5:31

31 Jesus answered and said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. (NKJ)

**sickness (NKJ)**

Exod 23:25

25 "So you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you.

(NKJ)

Deut 7:15

15 "And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and will afflict you with none of the terrible diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay them on all those who hate you.

(NKJ)

Prov 18:14

14 The spirit of a man will sustain him in sickness, but who can bear a broken spirit?

(NKJ)

Matt 4:23

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

(NKJ)

John 11:4

4 When Jesus heard that, He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

(NKJ)

**disease (NKJ)**

Matt 4:23

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. (NKJ)

John 5:4

4 For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.

(NKJ)

**diseases (NKJ)**

Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, Ps 103:3

Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them. Matt 4:24

Then He healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and He did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew Him. Mark 1:34

When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. Luke 4:40

And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, Luke 6:17

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. Luke 9:1

so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them. Acts 19:12

So when this was done, the rest of those on the island who had diseases also came and were healed.

Acts 28:9