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

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

*Welcome – glad you are here!*

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

**Healer Session 2 A:**

*Intro & Overview:*

**Psalm 139:14**

***14****I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
Marvelous are Your works,
And that my soul knows very well.*

* Where there is design…there is a designer.

**(Clip of the unique bias of the human body to heal itself)**

**Where does sickness, disease and death come from?**

* 3 Main ‘actors’ in the human drama:

 -God / Man / The Adversary

* On the stage of an earth that itself is groaning waiting for it’s final restoration.

-Earthquakes, tornadoes, germs, poison

1. The very creation is fallen:

# Romans 8:22-23

***22****For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.****23****Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.*

1. Death entered in because of Adam’s sin:

**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—*

1. Jesus power overcomes sickness & disease:

**Acts 10:38**

***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.*

**By the way:**

* Why would God send sickness & disaster and then at the same time send Jesus to redeem and save us from all this?
* Jesus is the perfect communicator of God’s person, nature and will to mankind:

-Not Job, Jeremiah or even Moses.

**God’s plan in our restoration is unfolding:**

*Restoration of the whole being*

**Covenant basics:**

* God has entered into a series of binding covenant agreements with man beginning with Adam, through Abraham, Moses and then finally through Jesus.

-They all involved **blood sacrifice**, an oath, promises of blessing and cursing.

-They had to be **entered** into by faith to enjoy their terms.

-There was an **exchange** of strengths and weaknesses shown in:

 Garments or robes.

# Isaiah 61:10

***10****I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
My soul shall be joyful in my God;
For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
As a bridegroom decks himself with ornaments,
And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.*

# 2 Corinthians 5:21

***21****For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (The great exchange)*

* Healing has always been part of God’s plan to restore man to wholeness: spirit, soul and body.

# 3 John 2

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

* Both the Old Covenant and the New reveal God’s will concerning healing of the human body:

**Old Covenant:**

**Exodus 15:26 -** *(‘Jehovah rapha’)*

*For I am the LORD who heals you."*

**Psalm 103:1-3**

*Bless the LORD, O my soul;*

# *And all that is within me, bless His holy name!*

*Bless the LORD, O my soul,*

*And forget not all His benefits:*

*Who forgives all your iniquities,*

*Who heals all your diseases, …*

**Isaiah 53:4-6**

*Surely He has borne our* ***griefs*** *(Hebrew: ‘ Choli – sickness)*

*And carried our* ***sorrows;*** *(Hebrew: ‘Makob’- pains)*

*Yet we esteemed Him stricken,*

*Smitten by God, and afflicted.*

*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.*

*All we like sheep have gone astray;*

*We have turned, every one, to his own way;*

*And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.*

**New Covenant:**

1. Jesus healed

**Matthew 4:23-24**

*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. 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.*

-He was moved with compassion and healed as a fulfillment of covenant:

**Matthew 8:17**

***6****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,****17****that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:*

*“He Himself took our infirmities
And bore our sicknesses.”*

1. Disciples healed

**Luke 9:1-6**

*Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece. Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. And whoever will not receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet as a testimony against them." So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.*

1. Next Generation Disciples: (Stephen, Phillip, Paul)

**Mark 16:18**

*“…they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."*

**Acts 6:8**

*And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people.*

**Acts 8:5-8**

*Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed. And there was great joy in that city.*

**Acts 14:7-10**

*…they were preaching the gospel there. And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" And he leaped and walked.*

1. Church history shows healings throughout the centuries.

**Conclusion to Session 2 A:**

* Although miracles seem to be infrequent in the world at large, it remains His will that people are set free from sickness, disease and affliction.
* A look into Jesus life & ministry provides the clearest picture of God’s will regarding healing.

-We do this in the next session in a few minutes.

**Notes:**

**Christ Our Healer**

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

**Healer Session 2 B:**

**Intro: The Case for miracles:**

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

* Seen or observable: cause & effect. (Western materialistic approach)

Vs.

* ‘Unseen spiritual realm’ that produces observable results.(Non - western societies).

**The Miracles of Jesus**

* Jesus only did God’s will

**Hebrews 10:9**

*"Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God."*

* Miracles are therefore part of God’s will

**John 2:11**

*This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.*

* Jesus performed miracles that showed His dominion over:

-Nature - walking on water / feeding the 5000

-Demons – healing of the deaf mute by casting out a demon

-Diseases – healing all diseases and sickness

-Death – raising of Lazarus after 4 days

* Notably, 26 of the 37 recorded miracles relate to healing.

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

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

**Jesus’ Healing Ministry**

*While He ministered on earth*

* What was His modus operandi?

-He was anointed to preach and heal. **Luke 4:18-19**

* Were all healed? **Luke 4:40**

-Exceptions: unbelief / tradition. **Mark 6:5-6**

* Were they all healed instantly?

-Most were, but some as they went. **Luke 17:11-14**

-Blind man who recovered progressively. **Mark 8:22**

* Methods of healing.

-Laying on of hands. **Luke 4:40**

-Touch. **Mark 5:24-35**

-Spoke word only. **Matt 8:8**

-Miracle gifts. **John 11:43**

**Conclusion:**

* Now that Jesus has come showed us God’s heart regarding healing, where does that leave us today?

 -Can we expect miracles in our time? – Yes

 All the time?

 What happens if we don’t see a miracle?

 -Does His work on the cross have a bearing on our healing today.

**Research & Resources**

**Healing Scriptures:**

**Health:**

**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 John 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)**

**Ps 103:3**

Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases,

**Matt 4:24**

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.

**Mark 1:34**

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.

**Luke 4:40**

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 6:17**

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 9:1**

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

**Acts 19:12**

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 28:9**

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