## God Wants You Well

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please God...

Romans 10:17 Faith comes through "hearing"...

Romans 10:17 So faith comes from "hearing", that is, hearing the Good News about Christ

**Faith:** Amplified Bible Definition: The leaning of your entire human personality on Him in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness.

Let's open our heart to <u>hear God's Word</u> and allow <u>Faith to come and be strengthened</u> as we lay some basic foundational truth concerning God's will for our total healing... spirit, soul and body.

The Father is speaking to you in this verse below. This is one of the most compete instructions (not the only one) on how to receive your healing.

## **Proverbs 4:20-22**

20 My son, give attention to My Words; (Focus; Turn away from distractions)
Incline <u>your ear</u> to My sayings. (Extend your ear outward and towards Me)
21 Do not let them depart from <u>your eyes</u>; (Do not lose view of them; A steady look!)
Keep them in the midst of <u>your heart</u>; (The inner man; thinking, soul)
22 For they are life to those who find them, (Sustenance (food/drink), alive)
And health (medicine) to all their flesh. (Literally: medicine to all their flesh)

## Let's Take God's Medicine Together

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

Colossians 1:27 This mystery... Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Matt 4:23-25 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 all.

Matt 8:16 When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demonpossessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and 'Healed All' who were sick...

Matt 9:35-36 Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And He healed 'Every Kind' of disease and illness.

Matt 12:15-16... And great multitudes followed Him, and He 'Healed Them All.'

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

Matt 14:34-36 After they had crossed the lake ... people recognized Jesus... and soon people were bringing 'All their Sick' to be 'Healed.' They begged Him to let the sick touch at least the fringe of His robe, and All who touched Him were healed.

Matt 15:30-31 Then great multitudes came to Jesus, having with them the lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others; and they laid them down at Jesus' feet, and 'He healed them.'

Luke 6:17-20 And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people ... who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, .... 'And they were healed'. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and 'Healed Them All'.

Mark 1:40-43 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." Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed." ... And he was cleansed.

Psalm 103: 1-4 Bless the Lord, O my soul ... And "forget none" of "His benefits": Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases...

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

Malachi 3:6 I AM the LORD and I do not change.

Ex 15: 26 ... For I am the Lord who heals you.

God's Word is saturated with the Truth that Christ is "The LORD our Healer."

Exodus 15:22-26 ... for I AM the LORD WHO HEALS YOU.... Yahweh-Raphah: "The Lord Who Heals" ... From the verb rapha / "to heal" ... This implies spiritual, emotional as well as physical healing. (Jeremiah 3:22; 30:17; Isaiah 61:1)

God heals spirit, soul and body—all levels of man's being.

Often because of enduring sicknesses we begin to think that it is not according to God's will for us to be made well. This is contrary to what the Bible teaches. We must base our beliefs on God's Word and not on our experience.

We must believe God's Word is the deciding Truth. Our experience with sickness is temporary and subject to change according to our faith in Christ and His Word. God's Truth is eternal and unchanging. Allow faith to do its good work in you. Receive God's full salvation and healing.

**Hebrews 7:25** ... He is able to "save to the uttermost" them that draw near unto God through Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Salvation to the Uttermost! Christ Salvation is for the whole man! It is forgiveness of sin and having our names written in the Lamb's Book of Life in heaven. But it does not stop there. It reaches out and touches every part of man's being.... spirit, soul and body.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 And may the God of peace Himself sanctify you through and through; and may your spirit and soul and body be <u>preserved sound and complete</u> (and found) <u>blameless</u> at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ... Faithful is He Who is calling you to Himself ... and He will do it...

Wholeness in spirit, soul and body, and holiness of life is God's will for your life.

The word "Salvation" in the Greek is the noun "sōtēría." It is an all-inclusive word. The word is used both in a material, temporal sense and in a spiritual, eternal sense. The meaning is: welfare, prosperity, safety, deliverance, preservation, soundness.

Salvation is *God's Rescue* which delivers believers out of destruction and into His *safety* and *divine provision*. Its root word is "*sozo*" which means to save, to heal, to rescue, to preserve, to make whole.

Acts 3 and 4 show this salvation so beautifully with the cripple man at the Gate Beautiful. Here Peter is responsible for the healing of the cripple man at the temple.

Acts 4:9 Peter says to the religious rulers.., if we are being put on trial for the healing of a cripple man...

Acts 4:10 Let it be known and understood by all of you ... that in the Name... of Jesus Christ of Nazareth... in Him and by means of Him this man is standing here before you "well and sound in body."

Acts 4:12 Paul says: And there is "Salvation" (welfare, prosperity of soul / body) in and through no one else, for there is "No Other Name" under heaven given among men by and in which we must be "Saved."

The Healing of the cripple is considered "physical salvation." Paul is here referring to Salvation to the "uttermost"... spirit (forgiveness), soul (deliverance), and body (healing).

He is using this word "saved" (healed from infirmity) interchangeable with being "saved" from sin. This man's body was saved or made whole! The same word "saved" is used in both physical and spiritual references.

The Bible is filled with Truth that reveals God's willingness to heal our bodies (physical salvation) along with our spiritual eternal salvation.

Mark 1:40 Now a leper came to Him, kneeling down and saying..., "If You are willing, You can make me clean." Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed." ... And he was cleansed.

The number one way Satan stops us from receiving from God is through <u>wrong</u> <u>believing which leads to unbelief.</u>

Believing Satan's lies will hinder and limit us from receiving all that God's salvation offers.

Matthew 9:29, 30 Do you believe I am able to do this?" He asked. "Yes, Lord," they answered. Then <u>He touched their eyes and said</u>, "According to your faith will it be done to you." And their eyes were opened.

This is why it is so important to study the Word of God, to have our faith built up, and know God's view on sickness and His willingness to make us whole.

Too many of us have our faith in reverse because of wrong teaching! We believe lies and unfortunately receive accordingly.

Satan's lies that are even taught in the church today are 1.) It is not God's will for you to be healed 2.) Your sickness brings glory to God. 3.) God is trying to teach you

something through sickness 4.) God does not heal anymore today 5.) This is your thorn in the flesh 6.) You are not worthy to be healed.

All these religious views are rooted in doubt and unbelief and all are unscriptural. Believing this way will keep you sick.

It is critical to have our minds renewed according to God's Word and to do away with false teaching concerning God's will to heal His people. Satan starting in the Garden of Eden always tries to get man to believe contrary to God's Word and believe his lies.

**Hebrews 13:8** ... Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

**Exodus 3:13, 14** I AM that I AM ... Jesus is the Great "I AM." NO body has the right to change His Name to the "I WAS!"

When we look at Jesus on the pages of the Bible we see the Unchanging and Eternal Word and we see the Will of God. We see Jesus as being the Living Will of God. Jesus is God's will in action! We see the Father demonstrating His perfect will through God the Son; revealing His character and His nature to man.

**John 6:38** For I have come down from heaven not to do my own will but to do the will of Him who sent Me.

Healing is the Father's will for you. Jesus made this eternal truth very clear to mankind.

**John 5:19** So Jesus explained, "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does.

John 14:8 8 ... Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father.

Malachi 3:6 <u>I AM the LORD and I do not change.</u> (God's Word and God's Will remain the same yesterday, today, and forever) Hebrews 13:8

Sickness and disease are the work of the devil which we are to resist! We are not to patiently accept it as God's will or His divine plan for our life. Jesus never told anyone to stay sick because it is My will for your life or I am teaching you something by it. Neither has He ever said that it brings glory to the Father when you are sick! He healed all who came to Him. The Father's love embraces all who come to Him in faith.

Disease (Dis-ease) is oppression from Satan:

- 1. Acts 10:38-39 ... 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.
- 2. Luke 13:11 And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. 12 But when Jesus saw her, <u>He called her to Him</u> and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." 13 <u>And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God! 16 So 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?"</u>

Satan wants to keep you bound by thinking that you will live sick for ever or that the disease is a blessing in disguise! Sickness is Satan's bondage and his will for God's people; Jesus desires to set us free! Jesus Christ is willing to heal and set us free from sin, bondages, hang-ups, habits and diseases!

John 8: 31, 32 So He said ... "If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples. 32 Then you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free."

The truth is God is willing to save us and make us whole... spirit, soul and body. The truth is Jesus was willing enough to go to the cross and be crucified for the salvation of the 'whole man.' Redemption is for the whole man.

God's will does not automatically come to pass. Healing is not automatic with salvation; God does not decide who gets healed or who doesn't get healed. We are offered it and may 'take it' through Faith in God's Word. We reach out in faith and receive what He has made provision for. We believe and cooperate (walk in faith and love) with God to receive His blessing.

We need to exercise an active and living faith that is going to believe God no matter what. No matter what the doctor says... no matter what the medical books say... no matter what your body says....We need to be more persistent than the devil himself. We need to fight back and resist the devil with the Truth of God's Word and fight the good fight of Faith! Christ has already won the battle for us. We must take the victory as our own!

Matt 9:19-22 like the woman with the issue of blood for 12 long years... It is never too late to be set free! We need to be determined as she was to receive from God. She pressed through the crowds of people to get to Jesus saying, "If I can just touch his robe, I WILL BE HEALED".

Jesus turned around, and when he saw her he said, "Daughter, be encouraged! Your faith has made you well."

The New Testament is filled with many different ways to obtain healing.

- 1. Mark 10:46-52 Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the road begging. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ... "What do you want Me to do for you? "The blind man said to Him, "Teacher, that I may receive my sight." 52 Then Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well."
- 2. Mark 16:17-18 and these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ... they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."
- 3. James 5:14-15 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. 15 And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up.
- **4. Mark 11:22, 23** So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. 23 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."
- **5. 1 Corinthians 12:1-12** now concerning <u>spiritual gifts</u>, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ... to another <u>faith</u> by the same Spirit, to <u>another gifts of healing</u> by the same Spirit, to another the <u>working of miracles</u>, ... But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.
- **6.** Matthew 18:19 Again I say unto you, If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

There is enough scriptural evidence for us to believe God wants us well. Many promises for healing are given. As you study your Bible you will discover many promises and means which God gives us to help us to believe; to release our faith and receive our healing.

**Romans 8:32** He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, <u>how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?</u>

7. One of the most effective and comprehensive means of receiving healing is through giving your time and attention to meditating on the Word of God. The Bible says it is God's Medicine to all our flesh.

Proverbs 4:20 My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; for they are LIFE to those who find them, and HEALTH (MEDICINE- A CURE) to all their flesh!

God's Word is spiritual medicine for our spirit, soul and body.

We must give His Word our full attention; let us open our ears to hear, consent and submit to; let us look at the Scriptures with our eyes; let's meditate and ponder on His Words. This is spiritual medicine.... Ingestion and digestion of the Truth of God's Word is needed. It will strengthen us ... spiritually and physically.

**God's Medicine**: Close your eyes and as I read let's meditate on His Word... "Take it" in. Let it bring life and health...

Exodus 15:26 ... for I AM the LORD that heals thee.

**Jeremiah 30:17** "For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord..."

Mark 11: 22 Jesus answered and said to them, Have Faith in God.

Mark 9:23 24 Then Jesus said to him, "'If You can believe All THINGS ARE POSSIBLE to the one who believes."24... father of the boy cried out, "I do believe! Help my unbelief."

**Psalm 107: 19-21** Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He saved them out of their distresses. **He sent His Word and Healed them...**.Oh that men would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness...

**Exodus 23:25** 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.** 

1 Peter 2:24 He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed.

**Isaiah 53:5 NASB** The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, <u>and by His scourging we are healed.</u>

**Isaiah 53:5 NLT** He was beaten so we could be whole. **He was whipped so we could be healed.** 

**Numbers 23:19** God is not a human, that He should lie, not a human being that He should change His mind. ... **Does He promise and not fulfill?** 

Romans 8:11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, <u>He</u> who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

**Psalm 103: 2, 3** Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals (to mend; cure) all your diseases ...

**Psalm 91:14-16** Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him I will set him on high, because he has known My name... with long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Luke 9:56 For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to 'save' them.

Ps 107:19, 20 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble...<u>He sent His word and healed them...</u>

Matt 8:2-3 "Lord... "If you are willing, you can heal me ... Jesus reached out and touched him." I am willing...

**Matt 8:8** The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. **But only speak a word** and my servant will be healed. (God has given us His Word that we may believe it, speak it and be healed)

**Matthew 9:35** Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and <u>healing every disease</u> and sickness.

Mark 5:36 But Jesus ... said ... "Don't be afraid. Just have faith."

**John 15:7** If ye abide in Me and My Words abide in you, ask whatever ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

**Psalm 41:1-3** Blessed is the one who considers the poor! In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him; the LORD protects him and keeps him alive...

The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.

James 5:15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, they shall be forgiven.

Mark 11:24 Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. ... (To receive literally means "to take" or "to take with the hand" or "lay hold of." It is the active tense; and we do it by faith.

**Matthew 21:22** And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing ye shall receive.

**Luke 1:38** Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word."

We must not pray with the faith destroying "If it be thou will" heal me when the Scriptures make it very clear that healing is undoubtedly God's will for His children.

May your faith be strengthened as you spend time meditating on these scriptures. May faith have its perfect work in you as you believe God for salvation to the uttermost.

Romans 8:32 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

Let's Believe God!