

POWER ACADEMY

Switching On Your Faith

Healing

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1. Meet the Healer

- a. Healing is a free gift that was paid for on the cross as part of your salvation, but we need to focus on our relationship with the Healer.
- b. Especially if we have been sick for a long time, we can find ourselves only ever praying about receiving healing. It can become an idol.
- c. An idol is simply something we put first place in our lives before anything else.
- d. Healing may be the thing we are asking God for the most and it becomes the central focus of our relationship with God.
- e. It is actually in our relationship with the Healer that we find the healing.

2. The Faith Merry-Go-Round

- a. If we are praying and doing anything else in our faith journey to try to “get something from God,” we will miss the source of the supply in the midst of that searching.
- b. This is when we focus more on everything we know to do to receive healing, and not seeing any results.
- c. I call that the faith merry-go-round. This is when people are literally going around and around in circles, **“doing” everything they know to do in search of healing**, and not receiving what they know belongs to them. They don’t know how to get off the merry-go-round.
- d. We hear people say, “I’ve done this, and that. I’ve bound and loosed, I’ve fasted and prayed. I’ve confessed the Word and taken communion. I don’t know what to do next!” Notice, there’s a lot of “I” in there.
- e. If we aren’t careful, we can make receiving healing a work of the flesh. Basically, we can focus too much on what *we* have done or haven’t done, rather than on what *Jesus* has done!
- f. This is a trick of the enemy: to get your focus on your actions, your failures, your shortcomings, or even your successes, your ability to believe “just right”. But we can never do everything right, so it gives the enemy opportunity to bring condemnation.

3. Anything Can Be an Idol

- a. Healing is not a thing; it’s not an experience. Healing is not something God does—healing is who He is. Healing is a person, and His name is Jesus.
- b. We need to make sure that our focus is on Jesus, that Jesus is on the throne of our hearts, not receiving something that we feel that we need.
- c. This can be applied to receiving healing, financial prosperity as well, spiritual gifts, etc.

- d. Any of these things can become an idol, and we can miss Jesus in the middle of searching for these things.
- e. If we want to really understand healing, we must understand the source of healing, which is Jesus.

4. Christ the Healer

- a. John 14:6 – *“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’ ‘If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.’”*
 - Jesus is the way to healing, He is the truth of healing, He is the source of healing!
- b. Jesus’ entire ministry was teaching and healing. He said the truth is what sets us free (John 8:32). When we know Him, we receive what we need from Him.
- c. Matthew 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.*
 - No matter what you are suffering with, Jesus is the answer! He is the Healer.
 - We aren’t trying to get something from Him, we are trying to get to know Him. In getting to know the Healer, we find the healing.
- d. Just like people “grade” sin—that’s a big sin, or that’s a little sin. In the same way, people “grade” healing. But there are no big or small sins (Romans 14:23 – *...whatever is not from faith is sin.*), and there are no big or small sicknesses, either!
 - Sin is sin, and were all equally paid for, forgiven, and covered by Jesus’ blood at the cross. In the same way, no sickness takes more or less power than another.

5. Keep Jesus on the Throne of Your Heart

- a. Matthew 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.*
- b. Fourteen times in the Gospels that Jesus “healed them all”.
- c. The longer we’ve been dealing with something, the more seated on the throne of our heart that sickness or disease becomes rooted.
- d. The word “possessed” means to be overtaken with something. It means to have dethroned reason.
- e. The issue takes up residence in the mind until it overtakes us. This is why we need to be as passionate about overcoming sickness and disease as we are as being holy.
- f. Mark 5:15 – *Then they came to Jesus, and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, sitting and clothed and in his right mind.*

- g. The result of the demoniac meeting Jesus was not only deliverance, but he was clothed and in his right mind. Jesus was now on the throne of his heart.

6. Get Back to Basics

- a. Some of us are so wrapped up in our need for healing, because our bodies are speaking to us and it has caused desperation. However, we have to get back to the basics, which is focusing on the Healer—the God who has always been the Healer!
- b. Isaiah 53:5 – *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.*
- c. This was in the Old Covenant, looking forward to the cross. 1 Peter 2:24 says “were healed,” looking back at the cross.
- d. Exodus 15:26 – ... *“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.”*
- Keep in mind, this was Old Covenant, where the Israelites had to keep the law to receive blessing. However, Jesus fulfilled the Old Covenant, so we receive these blessings through faith in Jesus.
 - The key here is God says, “I am the Lord who heals you.” This is God’s name: *Jehovah Rapha*, the Lord who Heals.
- e. Exodus 15:25 – *So he cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a tree. When he cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet.*
- This is a picture of Jesus. Jesus died on a tree—a cross—and when that cross was applied, healing came! The Lord is your healer!
 - They wandered for three days without finding water, but on the third day the bitter waters of Marah were healed. Jesus rose on the third day to provide healing for you.
- f. Say today, “The Lord is my Healer!”

7. Jesus is the Great Physician

- a. Jesus is your personal medical specialist.
- b. We need to have a personal encounter with the Lord our Healer.
- c. You don’t need a touch—you carry the Healer around with you!
- d. Psalm 107:20 – *He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.*

- e. Jesus is the Word that was sent!
 - John 1:1, 14 – *¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.*
 - If you are born-again, you haven't received "healing", you've received the Healer!
- f. Healing is not a one-time experience. It is a part of living with the Healer.
- g. If we are constantly feeling the need for a touch or an experience, and focused on doing, we will be back on that merry-go-round and it will turn into works.
- h. We have Jesus, the Healer! We need to meet and know the Healer who lives inside of us! (Refer back to the Module entitled "The Power Within".)
- i. Get to know Jesus for who He is, not for what He can do for you.
- j. Healing is a by-product of relationship with the Healer.

Healing – Lesson 5 Scriptures

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