

IF JESUS HEALS US, WHY DO WE STILL GET SICK?

HEALING #3

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“[Jesus] went as usual to the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read the Scriptures.” (Luke 4:16b, NLT)

“The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the LORD’s favor has come.” (Luke 4:18–19, NLT)

“Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. News about him spread as far as Syria, and people soon began bringing to him all who were sick. And whatever their sickness or disease, or if they were demon possessed or epileptic or paralyzed—he healed them all.” (Matthew 4:23–24, NLT)

1. Why do Christians get sick and suffer?

“Let all that I am praise the LORD; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name. Let all that I am praise the LORD; may I never forget the good things he does for me. He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases.” (Psalm 103:1–3, NLT)

“The people of Israel will no longer say, “We are sick and helpless,” for the LORD will forgive their sins.” (Isaiah 33:24, NLT)

“Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows and pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy]. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt and iniquities; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed and made whole.” (Isaiah 53:4–5, AMP)

“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.”
(1 Peter 2:24, NLT)

Jesus bore the penalty, power, and presence of our sins.

Jesus bore the penalty, power and presence of our sicknesses.

As we sin sometimes, we still fall to the power of sickness at times.

We have been delivered from the penalty of sin and sickness.

“I will not make you suffer any of the diseases I sent on the Egyptians; for I am the LORD who heals you.” (Exodus 15:26, NLT)

Even the absolute best people get sick, get old, and die.

“He sent out his word and healed them, snatching them from the door of death.” (Psalm 107:20, NLT)

“I am sending him because he has been longing to see you, and he was very distressed that you heard he was ill. And he certainly was ill; in fact, he almost died. But God had mercy on him—and also on me, so that I would not have one sorrow after another. So I am all the more anxious to send him back to you, for I know you will be glad to see him, and then I will not be so worried about you. Welcome him in the Lord’s love and with great joy, and give him the honor that people like him deserve. For he risked his life for the work of Christ, and he was at the point of death while doing for me what you couldn’t do from far away.” (Philippians 2:26–30, NLT)

2. How do I receive healing? I receive healing like I receive forgiveness of my sin by grace through faith.

“God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can’t take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.” (Ephesians 2:8–9, NLT)

Our focus is always on God’s Amazing Grace.

3. What if I am not healed?

I am still going to trust God.

“For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die.”

(Philippians 1:20, NLT)