

Miracles on the Mountain 2021

God's Will Is Divine Healing

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A. Hosea 4:6—My People Are Destroyed for Lack of Knowledge

There is a story of a poor man from England in the early 20th century who desperately wanted to see America. He needed enough money to buy a ticket to travel there on an ocean liner. He scrimped and saved until he finally had all the money, with a very little left over. He used the remaining funds to buy some cheese and crackers so that he would have something to eat.

During the mealtimes aboard the ship, he would walk by the opulent dining rooms. He would gaze longingly at the people eating delicacies beyond description. From appetizers to entrees to desserts, he viewed the people eating and enjoying themselves.

Then, he would return to his little cabin — and eat his cheese and crackers.

The ship finally arrived in New York Harbor after the 10-day journey. While the man was taking in the vista of the New York skyline, one of the ship's officers approached him. He said, "Is there anything we have done to offend you?"

"Oh, no," replied the man. "It has been a wonderful trip."

"I ask because we noticed you have not joined us for any of the meals."

"Well, the reason is simple. I only had enough money to pay for my ticket. I didn't have enough to eat in the dining rooms." The officer was shocked. He looked at the man in disbelief.

"Sir, I am very sorry. All of your meals were included in your ticket."

1. It was the will of the cruise line for the man to be fed—but he didn't realize it.
2. Many Christians are like this man.
3. They are living far short of all that belongs to them in their covenant with God, including divine health.
4. They have not been taught that it is God's will for them to be healed.

B. James 1:5-8—The Danger of Being Double-Minded (quotes from Christ the Healer)

1. Verses 5-8: “If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.”
2. “Before anyone can have a steadfast faith for the healing of their body, they must be rid of all uncertainty concerning God’s will.”
3. “Appropriating faith (for healing) cannot go beyond one’s knowledge of the revealed will of God.”
4. “Until we know what God’s will is, there is nothing to base our faith upon.”
5. “It is impossible to boldly claim by faith a blessing which we are not certain that God offers, because the power of God can be claimed only where the will of God is known.”

C. 1 John 5:14-15—The Importance of Knowing God’s Will

1. Verses 14-15: “And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.”
2. Verses 14-15 (AMPC): “And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him: [we are sure] that if we ask anything (make any request) **ACCORDING TO HIS WILL** (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if...we [positively] know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us as our present possessions] the requests made of Him.”
3. “The most basic key to receiving our healing is knowing that healing is unquestionably the will of God for our lives. We must no longer use the faith-destroying phrase, ‘If it be Thy will’ where healing is concerned.”
4. “Faith begins where the will of God is known. Faith stops at the question mark.”
5. “Before attempting to exercise faith for healing, one needs to know what the Scriptures plainly teach, that it is just as much God’s will to heal the body as it is to heal the soul. It is only by knowing that God promises what you are seeking, that all uncertainty can be removed and a steadfast faith is made possible.”
6. “When we know it is His will, it is not difficult for us to believe that He will do what we are sure He wants to do.”
7. “We must become so absolutely single-minded and fully persuaded that it is God’s will for us to be well that there is no question, no doubt, no wonderment, no wavering or staggering.”

D. Exodus 15:26—Old Testament “I Will” Healing Scriptures

1. We know our God as the Great “I AM.” He is also the Great “I WILL.”
2. Verse 26 (NKJV): “...I WILL put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I AM the LORD who heals you.”
3. Exodus 23:25 (NKJV): “...I WILL take sickness away from the midst of you.”
4. Exodus 23:26 (NKJV): “...I WILL fulfill the number of your days.”
5. Psalm 91:14-16 (NKJV): “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. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I WILL be with him in trouble; I WILL deliver him and honor him. With long life I WILL satisfy him, and show him My salvation.”
 - a. *Satisfy* (HEB) = to have enough, to be full, to have plenty, to have in excess, to be enriched
 - b. *Salvation* (HEB) = health, welfare, prosperity, deliverance, victory

E. John 6:38—Jesus Was the Fulfillment of God’s Will on Earth

1. By nature and design, Jesus was the agent and expression of God’s perfect will.
 - a. John 6:38: “For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.”
 - b. Colossians 1:15 (NLT): “Christ is the visible image of the invisible God....”
 - c. John 1:14: “And the Word (God’s will) was made flesh, and dwelt among us....”
2. Matthew 4:23-24 (NKJV): “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.”
3. Matthew 8:2-3: “And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou WILT, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I WILL; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.”
4. Matthew 8:16-17: “When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.”
5. Acts 10:38: “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”

F. 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24—Healing Is Still God’s Will Today

1. Verses 23-24: “And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.”
2. The God of Peace (nothing missing, nothing broken) set you apart and make you whole, complete, undamaged and intact.
3. Verses 23-24 (Phillips): “May the God of peace make you holy through and through. May you be kept in soul and mind and body in spotless integrity until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is utterly faithful and he will finish what he has set out to do.”
4. 3 John 2: “Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.”
5. Psalm 103:1-5: “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:
 - a. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities;
 - b. Who healeth all thy diseases;
 - c. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction;
 - d. Who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
 - e. Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.”