

"WEEKLY WISDOM"
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"HEALING – HOW TO GET IT • PART #4"

Psa. 103:2 Bless the LORD, O my soul,
And forget not all His benefits:
Psa. 103:3 Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,

Continuing our study this week on how to get healing let's do a quick review of what we have already covered. Week one we found out that it is not God who brings disease nor sickness, but it is a work of satan. In week two we covered the importance of not just knowing God can heal us, but it is His will for all to be healed. Last week we covered one of the most important keys to receiving healing and I cannot emphasize this point enough. You must get the Word of God from your head into your heart. To have faith to receive the healing Jesus has provided you must not doubt in your heart it is so.

This one truth is one of, if not the greatest hindrance to people receiving their healing. It is a matter of getting knowledge of scripture and then taking those verses and feeding on them until the truth about your healing comes alive in your heart. The short distance of about 18" from one's head to their heart is what stands between many from lacking what is needed to partake of what is rightfully ours. Jesus said if you do not doubt in your heart but believe what you say will come to pass you will have whatever you say, period.

As our verse for this week declares healing is one of the benefits of our salvation. Stop and think about for example any job that you may take where that job comes with certain benefits. A benefit is not something extra thrown in, it is actually a conditional part of the contract you make with that company. Stop and think about that. Healing is not something extra God just threw in with salvation, it is a conditional part of our covenant with God. As Psalm 103:2 above states, we are not to forget all His benefits which includes healing.

Rom. 10:10 For with the heart a person believes (adheres to, trusts in, and relies on Christ) and so is justified (declared righteous, acceptable to God), and with the mouth he confesses (declares openly and speaks out freely his faith) *and* confirms [his] salvation.

Once you get the promise of God's Word concerning healing in your heart you must then confirm with your mouth the healing that is already yours. When you look at all the verses that refer to Jesus paying the

price for our healing you will notice that these verses declare that by His stripes we are healed, not going to be. In the eyes of God we already are healed. For example there is nothing else that God has to do to provide salvation for anyone. Jesus when He shed His blood on that cross and declared it is finished completed all that was needed for every person on this planet to be born again. There is nothing anyone can do in their own ability nor strength to be forgiven of all their sin. Jesus took care of that on the cross at Calvary. One only needs to have faith in their heart not their head that Jesus did already pay the price for their sin, and then with their mouth confirm their salvation.

So it is with healing. I know that Romans 10:13 is referring to one receiving the salvation or forgiveness of sin that Jesus offers, but don't forget one of the benefits that comes with that salvation package is our healing. With the heart one believes, adheres to, trusts in, and RELIES ON CHRIST, not themselves. Then with their mouth they confess and confirm their salvation. So to release the power of God within once faith is present in the heart you must confess you are healed. This is exactly how we received salvation, and it is how we receive healing as well.

Mark 11:23 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.

Notice how many times this verse refers to "saying". Three times in one verse Jesus tells us the importance of what we say. Remember you must already have God's Word in your heart not your head, but then you declare with faith in Jesus what is already yours. If you believe what you say, you will have whatever you say. If I believe that what I have said is so, I don't go back again and again asking God for what I have already believed I have received.

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*.

When you pray, making request in line with God's will for healing and declare it so, you believe you receive right then. If this is true you don't ask again. If I take money given to me, make out a deposit slip and then drive down to my bank and make a deposit, how silly would it be for me to then call my bank several times a day asking them to check and see if that money I deposited is there or not. I can't see the money, but if I trust my bank then I know what I deposited is there. When you get God's Word in your heart you now have the faith to trust Him for what He has said is already yours. You have made the deposit in your heart now you simply use your mouth to confirm what is now yours. Take a look at a quote from a man named Smith Wigglesworth who was called the apostle of faith.

"Ask for what you want; believe, receive from God, and thank God for it. If you have to ask God seven times for the same thing, six times are in unbelief."

We must use our mouth to confirm what we have already believed in our hearts, but if we keep asking we are, as brother Wigglesworth says, in unbelief. Once we have asked for what we have a right to through our covenant with God we must then continually confirm that promise by thanking God for it. This won't work unless we already believe it is so, but it is then that we will continually give God thanks for what He has already declared to be ours.

Phil. 4:6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Phil. 4:7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

As the apostle Paul states here in Philippians thanksgiving is a powerful part of making our requests known to God. This is how the God-kind of faith works. Natural human faith is based solely on what one sees, hears, feels, smells, or tastes. These of course are our five "physical" senses. Natural human faith has no supernatural power in it. It is simply based on what one can discern through natural means. But the God-kind of faith is not based on anything in this natural realm. Did you get that? The God-kind of faith has no basis on what is true in the natural. The God-kind of faith is solely based on what God has said, nothing else. Here is another Smith Wigglesworth quote.

"I am not moved by what I see. I am not moved by what I feel. I am moved only by what I believe."

People don't give thanks in the natural for something they don't yet have. They give thanks to others when they have received something from someone. So it is when it comes to giving thanks to God. Our mouth must confirm what we believe in our heart, and for us to then see the fulfillment of that in the natural if it is not manifested instantly, we walk in thanksgiving unto God for what we know we already have. You don't need faith to believe for what you already see, faith is what brings into the natural what we cannot see. Faith is what reaches out and lays hold of what we know is ours.

2 Cor. 5:7 For we walk by faith [we regulate our lives and conduct ourselves by our conviction or belief respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, with trust and holy fervor; thus we walk] not by sight *or* appearance.

Faith and confession are much similar to the thermostat on your wall. You desire for the room temperature to change. You go and change the

temperature on your thermostat to the desired setting. Once you do your A/C heating unit goes to work to bring that to pass. If it is working properly you don't have to go and adjust the controller again and again. You set it once and you know the room is going to be changed to that desired temperature. So it is with faith in our hearts and our mouths confirming what we know is one of the benefits of our salvation. Healing is not something extra thrown in, but a condition of our covenant with God that has been bought and paid for through Jesus Christ. That payment was made in full when Jesus went to the whipping post and received the stripes given to Him by the Romans that paid for us to be healed. You must believe, and you must speak. To those who believe what they say will be done, they will have whatever they say according to the Word of God.