

BIBLICAL HEALING

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Introduction

By Dr. LaDonna Osborn

IN 1947, the year I was born, my parents launched their global mass miracle ministry. We traveled as a family from nation to nation, erecting platforms on open fields, inviting multitudes to come and receive BIBLICAL HEALING. We believed that Jesus of the Bible *is the same yesterday, today and forever*.

The truths in this book are the essence of what we have taught to people of practically every major religion. They have produced the same results in every nation.

The complete book of BIBLICAL HEALING shares the seven simple but dynamic truths that *create* miraculous healing. As you read, do not *try* to build your faith. Do not *try* to be healed. Just read and learn and joyfully ponder these truths. They will do their work in your life. As the seed of truth penetrates the soil of your life, your harvest of healing will result. Jesus said, *The seed is the word of God.* Luk.8:11 The life of God in the seed of His word produces its healing wonders in people.

As you read these pages, faith, hope and love will be created in your heart because *the day of miracles has not passed, and Jesus has not changed*. Expect to experience the BIBLICAL HEALING that has been received by so many others throughout the world.

Preface

FROM THE TIME we discovered that miracles are the answer to convincing the *non*-Christian world about Christ, we always announced publicly that if Christ is alive, as the Bible teaches, then we can pray and expect Him to do the same wonders that He did before He was crucified; but if He is only a historic, religious figure, then His name will have no power in prayer, nor will He do wonders today as He did in Bible days.

The basic truths contained in this book were first published in the *Indonesian* language. Since then, it has become our most translated book in nations around the world.

Jesus said, *Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*^{Joh.8:32}

Whether spoken audibly or expressed in print, *truth* has the same seed-power and accomplishes the same results. That is why thousands of people throughout the world have been miraculously healed while reading the truths published here.

The Bible says, *Faith comes by hearing the word of God.*^{Rom.10:17}

So, read these pages reverently. Be conscious of Christ's living presence.

— T.L. Osborn

BIBLICAL HEALING

Christ—The Miracle Life

HERE IS ONE of the most vital statements in the Bible: *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever.*^{Heb.13:8} This is the Jesus who healed the sick, cleansed the lepers, raised the dead, forgave sinners and relieved the oppressed.

His power is the same. His ministry is unchanged. His compassion is identical today. Whatever the Lord did for people then, He will do for us today.

He is with us to heal us if we are sick, to save us if we are unconverted, to relieve us if we are oppressed, to help us if we are in need.

Jesus said, *All power in heaven and in earth is given to me.*^{Mat.28:18} His word says, *If we shall ask anything in his name he will do it.*^{Joh.14:14} The Bible says, *Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall never pass away.*^{Mat.24:35}

Death Could Not Stop Him

Three days after His interment in a borrowed sepulcher,^{Luk.23:52-53} God raised Jesus from the dead according to the scriptures.^{Mat.28:1-6; Luk.24:1-12; Acs.1:2-3;2:32; 3:13-16; 1Co.15:4}

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to those who followed Him and commanded them: *Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature,*^{Mar.16:15} [promising that] *whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, [and warning,] those who do not believe will be damned.*^{Mar.16:16}

Then He promised: *These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name they shall cast out devils;... they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.* ^{Mar.16:17-18} *And Lo, I am with you alway, even to the end of the world.* ^{Mat.28:20} That means that the Lord is with me as I write, and that He is with you as you read, wherever you are at this moment. He is with us to confirm His gospel. He said, *If you can only believe, all things are possible to those who believe.* ^{Mar.9:23}

PRAYER BY THE AUTHOR

FATHER IN HEAVEN, I pray for the person who is reading this book. As they ponder the words we have written, let Your presence be manifested in an obvious way. May each chapter be a new and fresh revelation of Your love.

If this reader has not yet been born again, reveal the truth of salvation through this book. If they are suffering sickness or disease, let the biblical truths of Your healing become radiant and clear. Manifest Yourself as the ever-present Healer with whom nothing is impossible.

As these chapters of BIBLICAL HEALING unfold, cause every symptom of disease or sickness or pain to disappear. The Bible says, *You sent your word and healed the people.* ^{Psa.107:20} You said, *You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.* ^{Joh.8:32} As these chapters are read, may it be a journey of miracles as You confirm each truth presented, proving that You are *the same yesterday, and today, and forever.* ^{Heb.13:8}

**I ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.
AMEN!**



Order the full book, so you can read every chapter. Receive your own journey of miracles as God confirms His word as the truths of healing unfold.

MIRACLES—THE BIBLICAL PATTERN

WHEN JESUS BEGAN His public ministry, it was a ministry of miracles.^{Mat.4:23-24} His conception, His birth, His life, His wisdom and teaching, His ministry, His death, His resurrection, His appearances, and His ascension were all astounding and undeniable miracles.

A stream of miracles flowed from the hands of the apostles upsetting religious systems of that day to the extent that even the Roman government trembled. Those first Christians made the discovery that the Christ whom God raised from the dead had the same power, and worked the same miracles in response to their command—when given in His name—as He had done before He was crucified; that He was alive again; that He lived *in* them; that He had not changed.^{Ac.3:12-16}

The purpose of miracles is to let the people see the difference between the dead gods of heathendom and the living God who is the Creator of heaven and earth, and to persuade unbelievers to believe and worship Him.

Created for Miracles

Being the offspring of the miraculous God, people have an innate hunger to experience the miraculous. Jesus attracted the multitudes by miracles,^{Mat.12:15; 14:35-36; Luk.5:15; Joh.6:2} and wherever miracles are wrought in His name today, crowds continue to be attracted.

Ministry of Miracles

Among the tens of thousands who have been miraculously healed by Christ during our crusades, almost none of them have been individually prayed for. They have been healed through their own faith which has been birthed in their own hearts while pondering the biblical truths that we have presented from our crusade platforms, through the pages of our books, or through our audio and video tools. If there is no faith for miracles, they will not be experienced. ^{Mat.13:58}

The Urgency of Miracles

When miracles are manifested, unbelievers are drawn to hear the gospel and are persuaded to believe on Christ.

John said, a great multitude followed Jesus because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased, ^{Joh.6:2} [and that] many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did. ^{Joh.2:23}

Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world. ^{In.6:14}

Believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women. ^{Ac.5:14} This happened when they brought the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches...and they were healed every one. ^{Ac.5:15-16}

The Bible says, He was approved of God by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him. ^{Ac.2:22}

For today, Jesus promised, Believe on me and the works that I do shall you do also; and greater works than these shall you do; because I go to my Father. ^{Joh. 14:12}

The key to BIBLICAL HEALING is faith that Christ meant what He said. It is vital to believe.

100 FACTS ABOUT BIBLICAL HEALING

HERE ARE A few of the 100 FACTS about BIBLICAL HEALING.

2. Both sin and sickness came into the world through the fall of the human race. Therefore, the healing of both is provided in the redemption of humankind.

5. Jesus said: *As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so [for the same purpose] must the Son of man be lifted up.* Joh.3:14; Num.21:4-9

10. In their remedy they received both forgiveness of their sins and healing for their bodies. In Christ, we receive both forgiveness of our sins and healing for our sick bodies today.

27. The Bible says, *Jesus of Nazareth...went about... doing good, and healing ALL that were oppressed of the devil.* Acs.10:38 This Bible verse makes it clear that sickness is Satan's oppression.

28. We are told that *the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.* 1Jo.3:8

47. In connection with the Lord's Supper, the cup is taken *in remembrance* ^{1Co.11:25} of His blood which was shed for the remission of our sins. ^{Rom. 3:25; Rev.1:5} The bread is eaten *in remembrance* of His body on which were laid our diseases and the stripes by which *we are healed.* ^{1Co.11:23-24; Isa.53:5}

73. If healing is not for all, Christ should have qualified His promise and said, *All things whatever you desire [except healing], when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them.* ^{Mk.11:24} But He did not. Healing, therefore, is included in the "whatever." This promise is made to every person.

79. The correct translation of Isaiah 53:4 is: *Surely [or certainly] he has borne our sicknesses, and carried our pains.* To prove that our sicknesses were carried away by Christ, just like our sins were carried

away, the same Hebrew verb for “borne” and “carried” is used to describe both. (See verses 11-12.)

88. The most common tradition is that the age of miracles is past. For this to be true, there would have to be a total absence of miracles. Even one miracle would prove that the age of miracles is *not* past.

To get the complete list of these 100 facts, which encourage trust and faith in God for healing, order the complete book today.

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

THE INTEGRITY OF God’s written word is the only trustworthy basis for biblical faith. One of the greatest spiritual errors is treating the word of God as though it were an ordinary book. When we read the Bible, the Lord is speaking to us personally. We learn to give it the same place we would give Christ if He were physically in our presence.

We do not separate God from His word. He is not only in it—a part of it—but He is back of it, continually *watching over it to confirm it*,^{Jer.1:12; Isa.55:11; Mat.24:35} to assure that, as Solomon said, *there has not failed one word of all his good promises, which he promised.*^{1Kg.8:56} The angel said: *No word from God is void of power.*^{Lu.1:37RV} Another translation says, *No promise from God will be impossible of fulfillment.*



God Announces:

I am the Lord who heals you.^{Ex.15:26}

When we comprehend that God’s word of promise is addressed to us personally, we become aware that His will is for us to enjoy physical health, spiritual

salvation and material abundance. No scripture could express God's will more clearly than this one:

I wish above all things that you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers.^{3fn.2}

THE ROOT OF SICKNESS

WE NEED TO remember that sickness and disease are *destructive* and that they therefore emanate from *the destroyer*, Satan, and not from God. Jesus said, *the thief [Satan] cometh not, but to steal, and to kill, and to **destroy**.*^{In.10:10}

Satan's Part in Disease

Satan went forth...and smote Job with sore boils.^{Job2:7}

Jesus went about...healing all that were oppressed of the devil.^{Ac.10:38}

Jesus said of a woman who *was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself, [that] Satan has bound her; [that she had a] spirit of infirmity.*^{Lu.13:11-16}

Jesus gave [us] *power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.*^{Lu.9:1} He said, *In my name they shall cast out devils...they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*^{Mk.16:17-18}

God who is good – God, *the Life giver*, wants people to be well. Only Satan, the destroyer – the thief – the killer, wants human persons to suffer disease.

HEALTH REPLACED BY DISEASE

IT WAS NEVER God's plan for humankind, whom He created in perfection, to suffer mental or physical diseases. The problem of sickness and physical weakness began when Adam and Eve yielded to Satan's temptation to question God's word. God's own law made it clear that whoever sinned must be punished.

The soul that sins shall die.^{Eze.18: 4,20} *The wages of sin is death.*^{Rom.6:23} *But all had sinned,*^{Rom.5:12} *so all must suffer and die.*

SIN'S PENALTY IS PAID **The Great Exchange**

JESUS CHRIST, the innocent One, suffered the penalty and endured the punishment that guilty humanity deserved.^{1Tim.2:5-6; Mk.10:45} He endured the punishment for our sins through the sacrifice of His life on the cross. Jesus Christ paid our debt. Our physical and spiritual slavery under Satan is ended.

What Christ Bore, We Need Never Bear

Satan has no right to lay on us what God laid on Jesus. The redemptive fact is:

The Lord laid on him [Jesus] the iniquity of us all,^{Isa.53:6} *and for the transgression of my people was he stricken.*^{Isa.53:8} *His soul was made an offering for sin*^{Isa.53:10} *and He bore their iniquity.*^{Isa.53:11} *He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.*^{Isa.53:12} *For God took the sinless Christ and poured into him our sins. Then in exchange, he poured God's goodness into us.*^{2Cor.5:21} **LB** *Christ's own blood...obtained eternal redemption for us.*^{Heb.9:11-12,14; 10:19-22} *Who his own self bore our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live to righteousness.*^{1Pet. 2:24} *For God made him [Jesus] to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.*^{2Cor.5:21} See also; ^{Jn.3:16; Mat.26:28}

Certainly he has borne our sicknesses and carried our pains.^{Isa.53:4} **Literal Hebrew** *He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.*^{Isa.53:5} *Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.*^{Mat.8:17}



FORGIVENESS OF SINS and physical healing are part of the *great salvation* [which we are told not to] *neglect*.^{Heb.2:3} Salvation includes both.

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases.^{Psa.103:3} *Which is easier to say, your sins be forgiven you; or to say, Arise, and walk?*^{Mat.9:5}

THE SAVIOR IS THE HEALER

WE CANNOT SEPARATE Jesus, *The Healer*, from Jesus, *The Savior*, so we cannot separate BIBLICAL HEALING from biblical salvation. We must clearly understand, BIBLICAL HEALING is a part of salvation.

You shall serve the Lord your God...then He adds and I will take sickness away from the midst of you.^{Ex.23:25}

How could one receive healing while rejecting *The Healer*? In the quest for Christ's healing, one would begin by welcoming Jesus, *The Healer* into his or her own life.

Whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved,^{Rom.10:13} *By grace [unmerited favor] are we saved through faith; and that not of ourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any one should boast.*^{Eph. 2:8-9}



WHATEVER WE PRAY for, we need to know that Christ died to provide it for us in His vicarious death on the cross. We look first to the cross where the price was paid for the blessing that we seek.

Seven Needs Supplied

Human needs are sevenfold. God reveals Himself by seven *redemptive* names, showing His sevenfold nature which imparts His sevenfold blessings to

our lives when we receive Him. Christ's death paid for this sevenfold redemption, which God wills for His children to enjoy. In *redemptive* provisions, there can be no exceptions. They are all for *whosoever*.

Read about these in the complete book of BIBLICAL HEALING. For further study on the **Seven Redemptive Names Of Jehovah**, get my 368 page book, THE MESSAGE THAT WORKS, which expounds the seven *redemptive* blessings.

If It Is Paid For—It Is Ours

When Christ bore our sins and put them away, ^{1Pet.2:24} He also bore our sicknesses and put them away. ^{Isa.53:4-5} He redeemed us from the curse of sin **and its effects** by enduring the judgment that we deserved. ^{Rom.5:8; 6:6; 2Cor.5:21} Then Christ arose triumphant, in our stead. ^{Col.2: 12-13; 3:1-2} His victory was our victory.

- Remember the blessings from Christ
- Remember the cross and His suffering
- Remember the *redemptive* provisions

Receive Your Healing

God's Promise—The Sure Foundation

THE BIBLE SAYS: *Attend to my words; incline your ear to my saying. Let them not depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart. For they are life to those that find them, and health to all their flesh.* ^{Prov. 4:20-22} We keep our minds, our ears, our eyes and our hearts occupied with God's promise alone.

The Bible says, *He sends His word and heals us.* ^{Psa. 107:20} God's word declares it, so it is true. ^{Num.23:19; Josh.23:14; 1Kg.8:56; Isa.38:7; 55:11; Eze.12:25; Mat.24:35; 1Pet.1:25}

Biblical faith calmly declares: I accept it. Remember the scripture, *Hold fast the profession of your faith without wavering; for he [God] is faithful that promised.* Heb. 10:23 God says, *My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.* Psa.89:34 He promises, *My word...shall not return to me void.* Isa. 55:11 *And they overcame him [Satan] by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony.* Rev.12:11

How to Triumph over Satan

When Satan tempted Christ in the wilderness all the devil heard was, *It is written. It is written. It is written.* Mat.4:4,7,10 Three times, Jesus gave him the same response. The result: *Then the devil left him and angels came and ministered to him.* Mat.4:11

In the days of the Bible, people of faith acted on the *spoken* word of God. Today we act on the *written* word of God, our heavenly Father. We believe Him, He confirms it and says:

I am the Lord: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass...I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord God. Eze.12:25 *I watch over my word to perform it.* Jer.1:12LT *And he [God] has confirmed his words, which he spoke.* Dan.9:12 *and what he [God] promised, he is able to perform.* Rom.4:21 *No word from God is void of power.* Lu.1:37RV

Knowledge of the promise comes first. Prayer is next. Action, with praise, is the finale.

The Turning Point for Us

In the bound book of BIBLICAL HEALING you will learn about the *Four Vital Visions* that totally changed our lives.

Our Witness

Following is an excerpt from our Biblical Healing book which explains the report of *Our Witness*.

THE PAGES OF *Our Witness* are extracted from over a half-century of my personal journal. These are brief glimpses into what has taken place worldwide. Included are only *single days* of a *few* of the crusades which usually spanned ten days and often, two to five weeks.

To limit the size of the book, *dozens of cities* and entire *years* are not included. This is not a record of days when special miracles occurred, but of normal, ordinary days like ten or twenty or thirty other days of each crusade.

The Apostle John said of Jesus: *There are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.* ^{Jn.21:25} T.L. Osborn

The complete book has this limited account (68 pgs.) of *Our Witness*.



Order BIBLICAL HEALING for yourself, or someone you know who needs healing. These truths and promises are expounded in the printed version. Also get our book, THE GOOD LIFE, which includes a thorough study on *God's seven provisions* for our *seven fundamental human needs*.

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