Shine With Healing

5-3-15

Luke 5:24 (ESV)

But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the man who was paralyzed—"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed and go home."

This morning we are going to look at the subject of physical healing. Within the Bible the subject is clearly presented as a normal activity of God. We see Jesus and HIS disciples regularly heal people. Divine physical healing has been documented throughout Church history all around the world. However, Biblical healing has been distorted by charlatans, foolishness, and erroneous teaching. I believe teaching that says all the gifts ended in the first century or cessionism is erroneous. We do not want this to hinder us from exercising this clear Biblical teaching. So we stand on the teaching of the Bible and humbly desire to grow in our understanding.

We teach an Alpha class giving an overview of Christianity. One session is called "Does God Heal Today"? We are going to watch about 8 minutes of that session. We will hear how someone who was very skeptical about the whole subject of physical healing was touched by God.

ALPHA VIDEO

Nicky Gumbel went on to develop the Alpha course that has shared Christ with literally millions of people around the world.

Now let us bring it home to BCC. Here are a couple of testimonies about how God moved within our own church.

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The first thing about any reality is to understand it even exists. This includes healing. This leads us to understand who we are.

Acts 3:6 (ESV)

But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!"

What we have we give! Therefore this leads to us understand our assignment: Share Jesus with authority and power.

Acts 4:10 (ESV)

Let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well.

There are a lot of opinions out in the world. We cut through all the noise and proclaim Jesus AND JESUS ALONE! The Holy Spirit will do what is necessary to confirm the message. This Power Evangelism!

Acts 4:12 (ESV)

And there is salvation in **no one else**, for there is **no other name** under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

The power of the Holy Spirit and divine strength is manifested through our human weaknesses. Our human weaknesses are in fact a tremendous testimony to God and the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Acts 4:13 (ESV)

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, **they were astonished**. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

What can we say? We prayed for no one and on one was healed. We prayed for everyone and some were healed. This Saturday evening, May 9th 7-9, we will have a Healing and Prophetic Service. We want to specifically give God an avenue for healing. Let people know. Have people come personally or if you can only bring us a name come and we will together call on the Lord to heal and for a prophetic word of encouragement for them. Everyone Come!

This is certainly Biblical.

James 5:14-15 (ESV)

¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

The message is clear and stands alone.

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

As we proclaim this clear message, God will move heaven and earth to confirm the message. All the Gifts of the Holy Spirit come into play when we proclaim the loving message of Christ. This is Power Evangelism!

Prophetic Team

Healing Team