

## **Day 19 – Friday, January 28, 2022**

James 5:13-15 (NLT)

*“Are any of you suffering hardships? You should pray. Are any of you happy? You should sing praises. Are you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven.”*

Church softball has taught me many lessons. The first is I am not as good as I once was, but I was once good as I ever was. One lesson came on the night I decided to do something I had never done before...slide into 2<sup>nd</sup> base.

Our team was better than average. We were in a competitive game and every advancement of the bases helped. I was on first after a beautiful hit over the 2<sup>nd</sup> baseman's head. The batter up after me hit a line drive between the 3<sup>rd</sup> baseman and shortstop. The left center fielder had cheated up, which made my run to 2<sup>nd</sup> a little more difficult. I ran, the outfielder made the throw, it was close so I had to slide. As I slide into 2<sup>nd</sup> my wrist pinned against the base and my body didn't stop. Immediately there was pain. I knew something was wrong. A couple of days went by and my wrist was still throbbing. I couldn't pick anything up or grip without pain.

At church we had a prayer meeting. A sweet lady in the church came over and prayed for my wrist. Immediately! I mean - immediately - the pain went away and strength returned. God healed my wrist. What was so significant about this?

I had prayed for people and seen them healed. I had been the vessel used, but I had never received the healing. This time it was different. God healed me. The promise...God can heal you! God is our healer, it's not what He does, it is who He is! Reach out, trust in Him, and grab your healing today.

**Today's Promise: God is your healer.**