

Greek words for healing in the New Testament

1. ἰάομαι (iaomai) — “to heal” (usually miraculous healing)

Approximately 26 occurrences.

Matthew: 8:8, 13; 13:15

Luke: 4:18; 5:17; 6:18; 7:7; 8:47; 9:2, 6, 11, 42; 14:3; 17:15; 22:51

John: none

Acts: 3:11; 4:14; 9:34; 10:38; 28:8

Hebrews: 12:13

1 Peter: 2:24

2. Θεραπεύω (therapeuō) — “to heal,” “to cure,” “to serve medically”

Over 40 occurrences, especially in the Gospels.

Matthew: 4:23, 24; 8:7, 16; 9:35; 10:1, 8; 12:10, 15, 22; 14:14; 15:30; 17:16; 19:2; 21:14

Mark: 1:34; 3:2, 10; 6:5, 13

Luke: 4:23; 5:15; 6:7, 18; 7:21; 8:2; 9:1, 6, 11, 42; 10:9; 13:14; 14:3

John: (possibly alluded to, but the verb *therapeuō* itself does not occur)

Acts: none for the verb *therapeuō* (healing verbs in Acts are usually *iaomai* or *sōzō*, not *therapeuō*)

3. ἰασις (iasis) — “healing,” “cure” (noun)

Occurs only **three times** in the NT.

Luke: 13:32

Acts: 4:22; 4:30

4. Σώζω (sōzō) — “to save,” “to deliver,” “to heal”

This verb appears **over 100 times**. Below is the full list of verses.

Matthew: 1:21; 8:25; 9:21, 22; 10:22; 14:30; 16:25; 18:11; 19:25; 24:13, 22; 27:40, 42, 49

Mark: 5:23, 28, 34; 6:56; 8:35; 10:26, 52; 13:13, 20; 15:30, 31

Luke: 6:9; 7:50; 8:12, 36, 48, 50; 9:24, 56; 13:23; 17:19; 18:26, 42; 19:10

John: 3:17; 5:34; 10:9; 11:12; 12:27, 47

Acts: 2:21, 40, 47; 4:9, 12; 11:14; 14:9; 15:1, 11; 16:30, 31; 27:20, 31

Romans: 5:9, 10; 8:24; 9:27; 10:9, 13; 11:14, 26

1 Corinthians: 1:18, 21; 3:15; 5:5; 7:16; 9:22; 10:33; 15:2

2 Corinthians: 2:15

Ephesians: 2:5, 8

1 Timothy: 1:15; 2:4; 4:16

Titus: 3:5

Hebrews: 5:7

James: 1:21; 2:14; 4:12; 5:15, 20

1 Peter: 3:21

Jude: 1:5