

The Finisher – Healer and Shepherd

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Genesis 2:18 (NIV) - “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him”.

John 7:3-5 (NIV) – Jesus’ brothers said to him, “Leave Galilee and go to Judea, so that your disciples there may see the works you do. No one who wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world”. For even his own brothers did not believe in Him.

Matthew 16:22-23 (NIV) – Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!” Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns”.

1 Peter 2:21-25 (NIV) – “To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps ‘He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in His mouth’. When they hurled their insults at Him, He did not retaliate; when He suffered, He made no threats. Instead, He entrusted Himself to Him who judges justly. ‘He Himself bore our sins’ in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; ‘by His wounds you have been healed’. For ‘you were like sheep going astray’, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls”.

1 Peter 2:19 (NIV) – “For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God”.

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“Our case is like that of a criminal who had better bear quietly a sentence for a crime he has not committed, lest by too much outcry he induces investigation into a list of offenses, which are not charged against him, because they are not known” – *F.B. Meyer*

Exodus 15:25b-26 (NIV) - There the Lord issued a ruling and instruction for them and put them to the test. He said, “If you listen carefully to the Lord your God and do what is right in His eyes, if you pay attention to His commands and keep all His decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you”.

James 5:13-16 (NIV) – Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective”.

Luke 17:12-14 (NIV) – “As He was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met Him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, ‘Jesus, Master, have pity on us!’ When He saw them, He said, ‘Go, show yourselves to the priests’. And as they went, they were cleansed”.

Luke 17:15-19 (NIV) – “One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked Him – and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, ‘Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?’ Then He said to him, ‘Rise and go; your faith has made you well’”.

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3 Greek words for **healing** in Luke 17 – *katharizo* (Catharsis; temporary healing); *iaomai* (supernatural healing); *sozo* (saved)

1 Peter 5:4, 6-7 (NIV) – “And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away” – “Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you”.

James 1:2-4 (NIV) – “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything”.

2 Peter 3:8-10 (NIV) – “But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. Instead He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare”.