

I. Review Previous Sessions**A. Building your Spiritual Immune System****B. How do you Build Resistance to Sickness?****II. Believing in the Healing Nature of God****A. What you believe is important!**

1. **Hosea 4:6 (NKJV)** – *My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children*

Hosea 4:6 (AMP) – *My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge of my law where I reveal my will.*

NOTE: If you do not have knowledge of His will, you cannot have faith to receive from him. Satan uses our “Lack of Knowledge” to keep us from the things God has made available to us.

Personal notes from Pastor’s Bible.

No knowledge and Wrong knowledge both can bring destruction.

Limited Bible knowledge is a hindrance and a stumbling block to faith.

2. **Isaiah 5:13 (NKJV)** – *Therefore my people have gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge; their honorable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.*

Isaiah 5:13 (CEV) – *And so, his people know nothing about him. That’s why many of you will be dragged off to foreign lands. Your leaders will starve to death, and everyone else will suffer from thirst.*

Note: Many who are in the church have been kept in bondage to various things because they lack accurate knowledge of Him.

3. Knowledge in its proper use wins battles!

- a. When you know the truth about God.
- b. When you know who you are.
- c. When you know what He has provided for you.
- d. When you know what He will do through you.

B. The truth about God and Healing

1. God's Nature is to Heal.

- a. **Nature Definition** – The way a person behaves, the character or personality of someone. The basic character and qualities of a person.
- b. Examples:
 - Competitive nature
 - Giving nature
 - Outgoing and Friendly nature
- c. **God has a Nature**
 - He has a loving nature. *He is love.*
 - From his love flows his grace, mercy, and compassion.
 - While he does have to exercise judgment, his nature is to Love.
 - His Word and the Holy Spirit reveal His nature to us.
You can know the true nature of God.
- d. **Being Convinced of His Healing Nature.**
 - It is important for us to believe this.
 - If we are not convinced of God's healing nature, our enemy will convince us that it is not God's will for us to be healed.
 - I must believe that Healing is the Will of God!
 - I must believe that Healing is His will for me!
 - I must believe that Healing is His will every time that sickness arises.
 - If I do not believe this, Satan can convince me to let down my resistance to sickness because it may not be His will for me to

be healed. *To resist sickness, I must believe it is Gods will for me to be healed.*

III. How Can I Know that Healing is the Nature of God and His will for my Life?

A. Faith must be completely established upon the Word of God.

1. His Word reveals Him.
2. His Word reveals His will.
3. His Word reveals His nature.
4. My faith must never be established upon someone else experience.
 - a. My faith for healing is not based upon someone else getting healed or not receiving healing.
 - b. I must be rooted and grounded in His Word.

B. I am convinced of the Healing Nature of God.

1. Because of Exodus 15:26

Exodus 15:26 (NKJV) – *And said, “If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you.”*

Other Versions

I am the Lord thy healer

Pastor’s Personal Note:

I am the God of health and healing – Jehovah Rapha

2. Because of the types and shadows of the Old Testament.

a. The Passover

Psalms 105:37 (NKJV) – *He also brought them out with silver and gold, and there was none feeble among His tribes*

Psalms 105:37 (GNT) – *Then he led the Israelites out; they carried silver and gold, and all of them were healthy and strong*

Feeble = to stagger, stumble or to be weak. They were strong and healthy, able to make the journey through the wilderness.

PASTOR’S NOTES: They received this blessing of healing and health through receiving the Passover Lamb.

The Passover Lamb represents the Lamb that you and I have received.

If the first Passover Lamb made healing available to God’s people, how much more will Jesus (the perfect Lamb) make healing available to God’s people.

b. The serpent on the pole.

Numbers 21:4-9 (NKJV) – *⁴Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the way of the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very discouraged on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses: “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our soul loathes this worthless bread.” ⁶So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died. ⁷Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, “We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸Then the*

*LORD said to Moses, “**Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live.**”⁹ So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, **if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived***

PASTOR’S NOTES: The serpent on the pole was represented Jesus who would hang on the cross.

Just as the people looked upon the serpent on the pole and lived, those who will look upon Jesus at the cross will live.

If the bronze serpent could provide physical healing of a snake bite, looking unto Jesus on can also provide physical healing.

3. **Because of the prophecy of Isaiah 53.**

Isaiah 53:4-5 (NKJV) – ⁴*Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.* ⁵*But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.*

- a. Griefs and Sorrows may be better translated as *SICKNESS and PAIN*.
- b. We know that this passage was referencing physical healing for the body because of Matt 8:16-17.

Matthew 8:16-17 (NKJV) – ¹⁶*When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, ¹⁷that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: “He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses.”*

PASTOR’S NOTES: I am convinced of the healing nature of God because Jesus bore my sickness and carried all my pain at the cross.

Isaiah 53 is a declaration of what Jesus will do for us in the new covenant. It is very clearly stated that healing for my body is included in this covenant. “By His stripes, I am healed”.

4. Because of the covenant promises for healing in the Old Testament.

Exodus 23:25 (NKJV) – *So you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you.*

Exodus 23:25 (Aramaic Bible in Plain English) – *Plagues shall pass by your house*

Exodus 23:25 (YLT) – *I have turned aside sickness from your heart.*

Deuteronomy 7:15 (NKJV) – *And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and will afflict you with **none** of the terrible diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay them on all those who hate you.*

PASTOR’S NOTES: This passage reveals the nature of God toward those who are in covenant with him (His People) – He will take away sickness.

5. Because sickness is in the curse, and I am redeemed from the curse of the law.

Deuteronomy 28:59-61 (NKJV) – ⁵⁹*then the LORD will bring upon you and your descendants extraordinary plagues—great and prolonged plagues—and serious and prolonged sicknesses. ⁶⁰Moreover He will bring back on you all the diseases of Egypt, of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you. ⁶¹Also every sickness and every plague, which is not written in this Book of the Law, will the LORD bring upon you until you are destroyed*

- a. Sickness is in the curse for disobedience to God.
- b. The blessing is a revelation of the nature of God
- c. The curse is not a revelation of His nature but rather the consequences of sin when God's grace, forgiveness, and mercy are not received.
- d. I am redeemed from the curse. The curse of the law does not exist for new covenant people.

Galatians 3:13-14 (NKJV) – ¹³*Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”),* ¹⁴*that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith*

6. Because of the ministry of Jesus

- a. **Jesus never turned anyone away regarding healing.**
- b. **Acts 10:38 (NKJV)** – *how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him*

PASTOR'S NOTES: This passage is a declaration of the ministry of Jesus everywhere He went. He always healed those who were oppressed of the Devil. Sickness here is referred to as oppression. Oppression is to exercise harsh control. Sickness exercises harsh control. Jesus reveals the nature of the Father – to heal ALL who were under the harsh control of Satan. (NOTE: Most of those were sick in their body).

Jesus never administered sickness – but always freely offered healing.

7. Because of the Great Commission of Jesus.

Mark 16:15-20 (NKJV) – ¹⁵And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ¹⁸they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.” ¹⁹So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs and wonders.

8. Because of the Ministry of Healing witnessed in the Early Church.

Acts 5:12-16 (NKJV) – ¹²And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon’s Porch. ¹³Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. ¹⁴And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. ¹⁶Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed

IV. Pastor’s Closing Thoughts: *There are many more reasons why I am convinced of God’s healing nature. I have only offered eight in this session. Consider viewing or listening to Keith Moore’s sermon series, “God’s Will to Heal”. This series had a great impact on my faith for healing when I needed to develop confidence in the healing nature of God. There are 20 sermons in this series. I recommend listening to them all. This series is available on his website – www.moorelife.org. It is also available on YouTube. We have added a link to the YouTube page and on our church app. It is included in our healing library.*