

I. REVIEW OF RECENT SESSIONS

- Hearing, Receiving, and Responding
- Reaping the Harvest of Healing
- The Undesired Harvest
- Stay in the Fight (The Temptation to Quit)
- Aggressive Faith

II. KEEP THE WORD ACTIVE

Whatever we receive by faith must be sustained through the continued activity of God's Word in our lives. Faith lives, grows, and produces through the ongoing work of the Word of God in our lives.

A. Three Primary Functions of the Word

1. The Word as **SEED** produces faith and brings forth a harvest.
 - a. **Luke 8:11**
KJV "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God."
 - b. The Word is spiritual seed containing the potential to produce what God has promised.
 - c. The heart is the soil into which the Word is planted.
 - d. Hearing and receiving the Word allows faith to develop.
 - e. The Word as seed produces faith and brings forth the harvest of God's promises.
2. The Word as **FOOD** (bread) nourishes and sustains faith.
 - a. **Matthew 4:4**
KJV "But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by **bread alone**, but by **every word** that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."
 - b. **1 Peter 2:2**
KJV "As newborn babes, desire the sincere **milk of the word**, that ye may grow thereby..."
 - c. The Word nourishes, strengthens, and establishes our faith.
 - d. Feeding develops spiritual strength and endurance.

3. The Word as a **WEAPON equips us to resist and overcome.**

a. Ephesians 6:17

KJV “And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:”

b. Jesus illustrated to us how to use the Word as a weapon in His own experiences with the devil.

c. The Word is our spiritual weapon against the attacks of the enemy.

d. We use the Word to confront fear, unbelief, deception, and opposition.

e. The Word must be in our hearts and mouths, ready to be used.

f. Faith does not merely endure opposition; it actively resists through God's Word.

PASTOR’S NOTE: *Whenever we spend time in God’s Word, we should be mindful of the ways in which it works in us: as seed, nourishment, or as a weapon. Every believer needs the Word working in all three ways. The same verse of scripture can serve as seed, nourishment, or a weapon, depending on our need at the time.*

III. PASTOR’S KEY HEALING SCRIPTURES

A. Exodus 15:26

NKJV “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.”

1. Two major revelations:

a. God made a distinction between Egypt and Israel.

- Between His people and those who weren’t His people.
- Covenant people and those who weren’t covenant people.

b. “I am the Lord who heals you.”

- God revealed His nature to is to heal.
- God not only made a distinction between His covenant people and the Egyptians, but He also revealed that His covenant people could know Him as their Healer.

2. This verse may be used as SEED for a healing harvest, as FOOD to feed your faith for healing, or as a WEAPON to speak against sickness.

B. Isaiah 53: 4-5

NKJV “Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. 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.”

1. “Griefs” and “sorrows” = sicknesses and pains.
 - a. He took my sickness.
 - b. He took my pain.
2. While some interpret this as referring only to spiritual healing, **Matthew 8:17** makes it clear that physical healing is also included, removing any doubt about its meaning.
 - a. **Matthew 8:16-17**
NKJV “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, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: ‘He Himself took our infirmities And bore *our* sicknesses.’”
 - b. The **NKJV** got it right in the New Testament translation clarifying that the prophecy dealt with physical infirmity and sickness.
3. As you meditate on these scriptures, revelation comes, planting the seed of healing in your heart. Continued reading and meditation will nourish your spirit, strengthen your faith, and prepare you to receive a harvest of healing in your body.
4. You can also use these same scriptures as a weapon against sickness by boldly declaring: *“Jesus took my sicknesses and carried my pains! Therefore, sickness and pain, I refuse you the right to operate in my body. By His stripes, I am healed!”* Pain, I refuse you the right to operate in my body. By His stripes, I am healed!”

C. 1 Peter 2:24

NKJV “...who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.”

CEV “Christ carried the burden of our sins. He was nailed to the cross, so we would stop sinning and start living right. By his cuts and bruises you are healed.”

Palmer Translation “By whose bruises you have been healed.”

1. According to this scripture, healing is just as much a finished work of Christ as our redemption. Both were accomplished through His redemptive sacrifice.
2. This is why we can boldly declare: *“by His stripes, I am healed”*, even when symptoms are still present.
 - a. Our declaration of faith is based on the finished work of Christ, not on what we feel or see in our bodies.
3. Pastor’s healing confession: *“Jesus took my sicknesses and carried my pains. By His stripes, I am healed! Regardless of what I feel or see, I believe in His finished work. Healing belongs to me through Jesus Christ!”*

D. 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.”

1. Jesus healed **ALL**.
 - a. Healing all who came to Him was the consistent practice of Jesus’ earthly ministry.
 - b. When healing was hindered, Scripture points to unbelief or an unwillingness to receive Him, not a lack of willingness on His part to heal.
2. By meditating on this passage, I become convinced that if Jesus healed all in his earthly ministry, it must be His will to heal all today—this includes me.
3. Whenever the devil sows thoughts that it might not be the Lord’s will to heal me, I speak this passage boldly to him.
4. Pastor’s healing confession: *“Jesus went about doing good and healing ALL who were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him. Jesus did not select a few to heal—His*

practice was to heal ALL! I believe I am included in His ALL. What He was willing to do for others, He is willing to do for me. I am not excluded from His healing goodness. I am included in His ALL! Jesus is my Healer, and I receive His healing by faith!"

E. Galatians 3:13

KJV "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, 'Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.' That the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles through the Lord Jesus Christ: that we might receive the promise of the Holy Spirit through faith."

1. As a **seed**, this passage builds confidence that we are not under the curse of the law that, according to Deuteronomy 28, includes all sickness and every disease. (*For additional reading, see the curses in Deuteronomy 28 and remind yourself that you are redeemed from them all.*)
2. As a **weapon**, I can speak to any illness, knowing it is part of the curse. I declare I am redeemed from all sickness.
3. Pastor's declaration of faith: *"Christ has redeemed me from the curse of the law! Jesus became a curse for me so that I could walk in the blessings of redemption. I am redeemed from the curse of sickness and disease! Sickness has no rightful claim over my life because Jesus has paid the price for my redemption. I refuse to accept as mine what Christ has redeemed me from. I stand upon His finished work, and I declare that I am redeemed, blessed, and healed through Jesus Christ!"*

F. "All Healed" Scriptures

1. Examples:
 - a. **Matthew 8:16**—Jesus healed all that were sick.
 - b. **Matthew 9:35**—He healed every sickness and disease among the people.
 - c. **Matthew 12:15**—All were healed.
 - d. **Matthew 14:35-36**—As many as touched Jesus were made perfectly whole.
 - e. **Matthew 19:2**—Great multitudes were healed.
 - f. **Luke 4:40**—Jesus laid hands on everyone and healed them.
 - g. **Luke 6:19**—Healing power went out of Him and healed them all.
 - h. **Acts 5:16**—Every one of them were healed.

2. If Jesus healed all who came to Him for healing throughout His earthly ministry, then I can be confident that healing is provided for all today—and that includes ME!

3. Pastor's declaration of faith: *"I believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever! Throughout His earthly ministry, Jesus healed all who came to Him in faith for healing. His willingness to heal has not changed! I declare that healing is provided for all, and that includes ME! I refuse to question His willingness to heal me. I believe His Word, I receive His healing provision, and I stand firmly upon His promises! Healing is for ALL—and that 'ALL' includes **ME!**"*