



“If you’re sick is it because
you don’t have enough faith?”

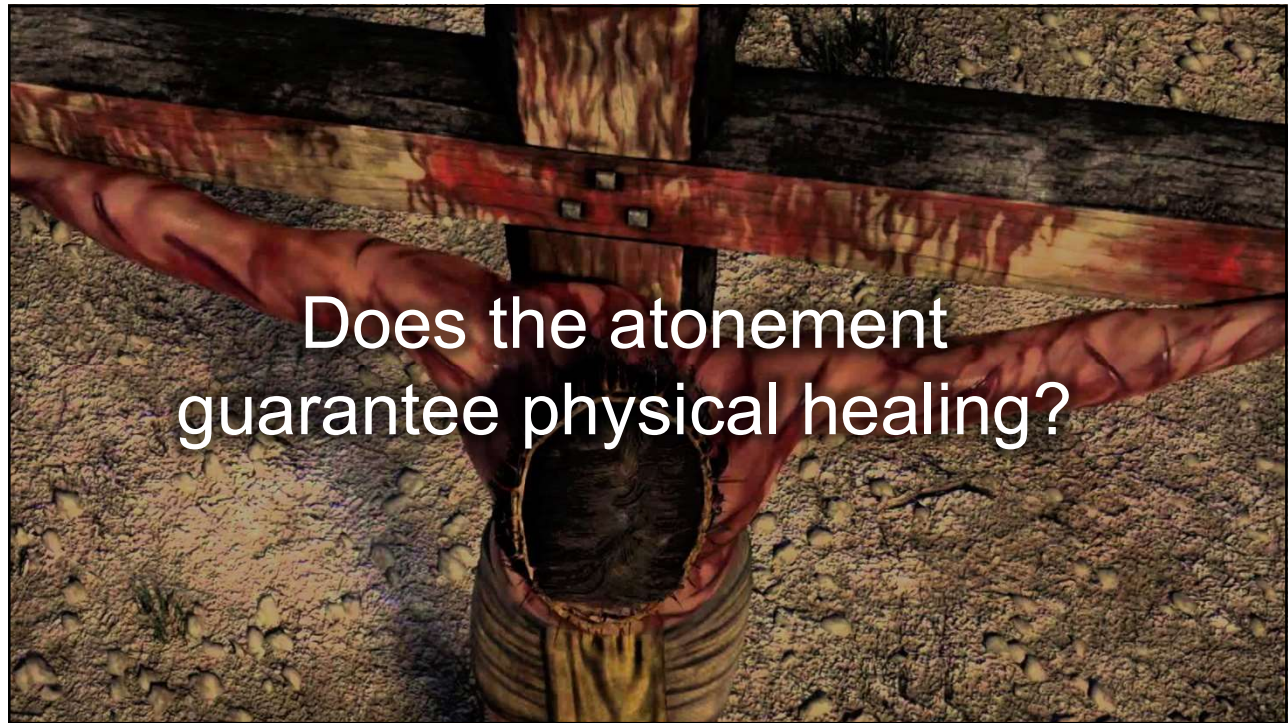
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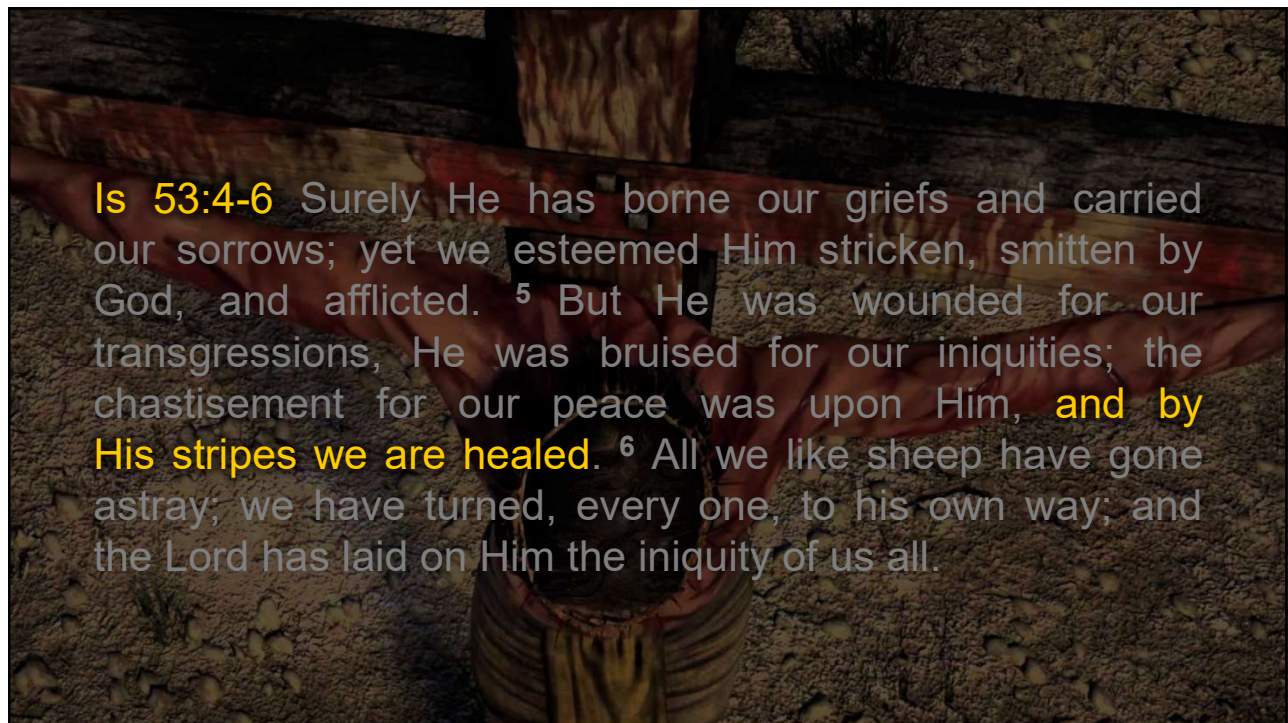
A fellow Christian to
Joni Eareckson Tada:

“I just could not serve
a God whose will it
was not to heal
everyone.”

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Committed believers get sick

- Isaac went blind – Gen 27:1
- Jacob was sick – Gen 48:1
- Job was sick with boils – Job 2:7
- Daniel was sick from doing God's will – Dan 8:27
- Peter's mother – Mt 8:14
- Lazarus was sick – Jn 11:2
- Tabitha was sick – Acts 9:36-37
- Christians were sick at Corinth – 1 Cor 11:30
- Paul had a sickness – 2 Cor 12:7-10 (eyes: Gal 4:13-15)
- Epaphroditus was sick – Phil 2:25-30
- Timothy was sick – 1 Tim 5:23
- Trophimus was sick – 2 Tim 4:20
- Js 5:14 presupposes that believers will get sick

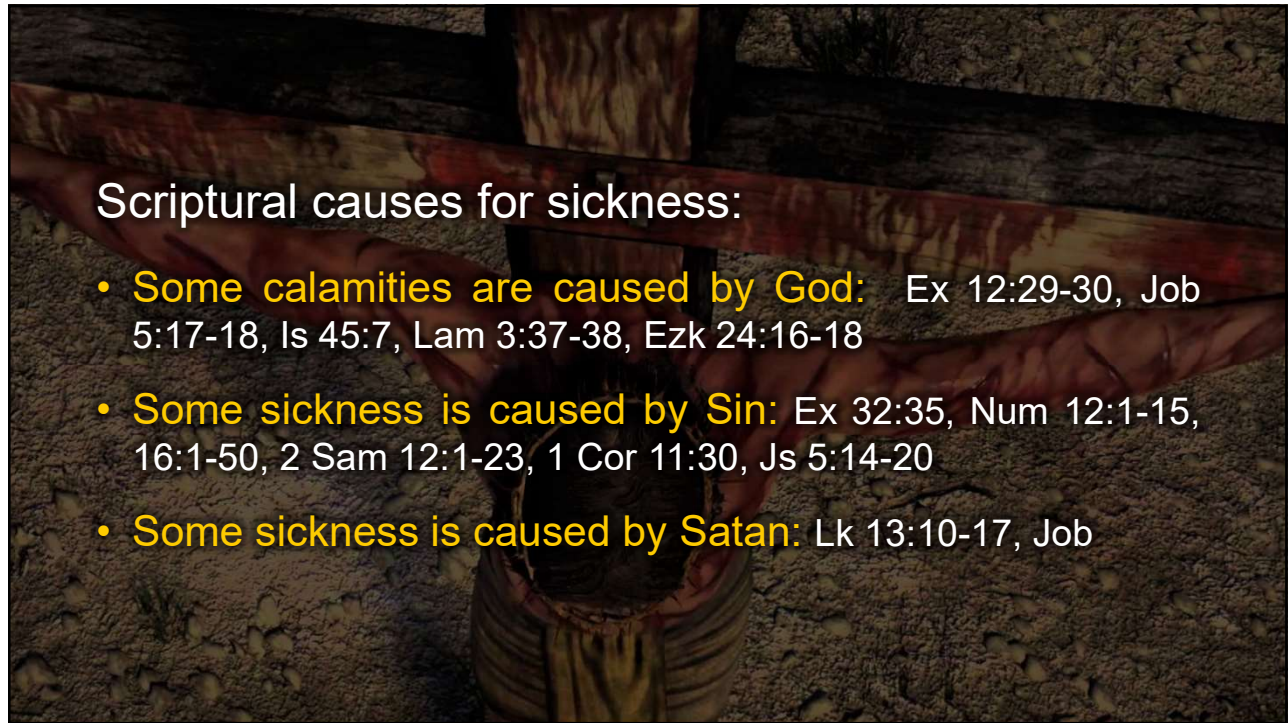
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Dr. Jimmy Draper has suggested 6 reasons we get sick:

- Psychological reasons
- Violations of physical laws
- To demonstrate God's power
- To demonstrate God's grace
- Satanic attacks
- Sin



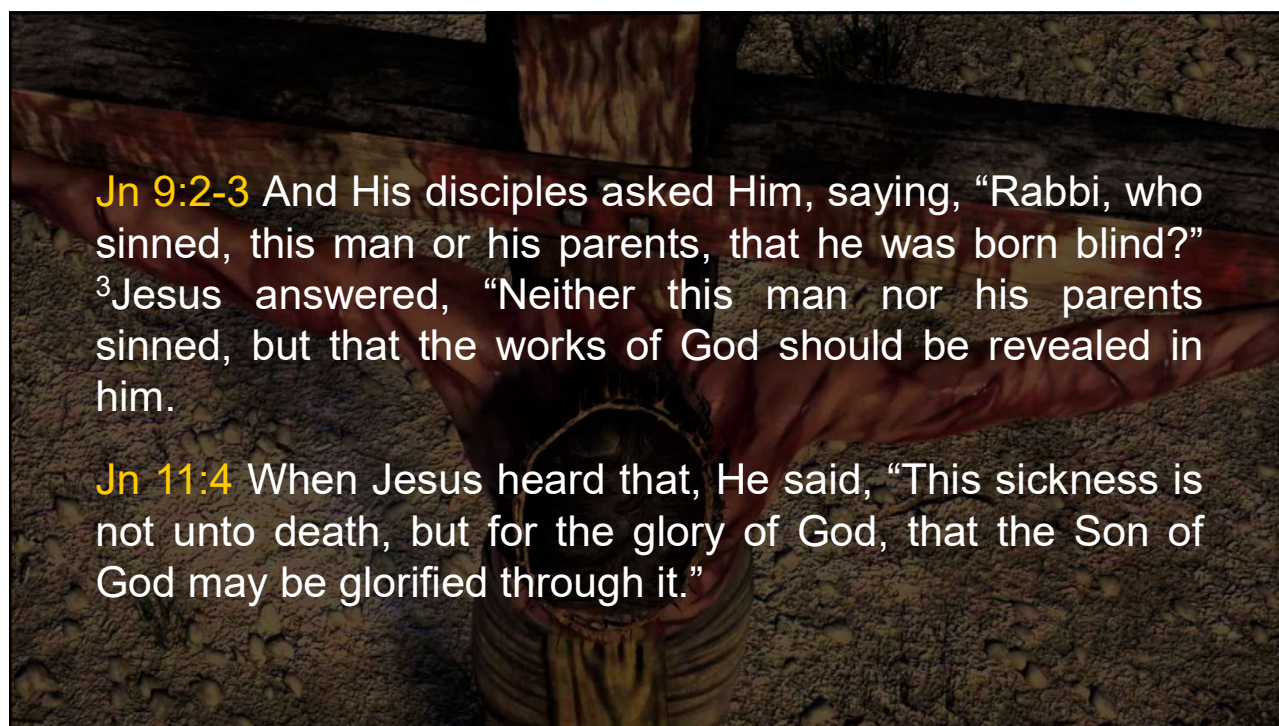
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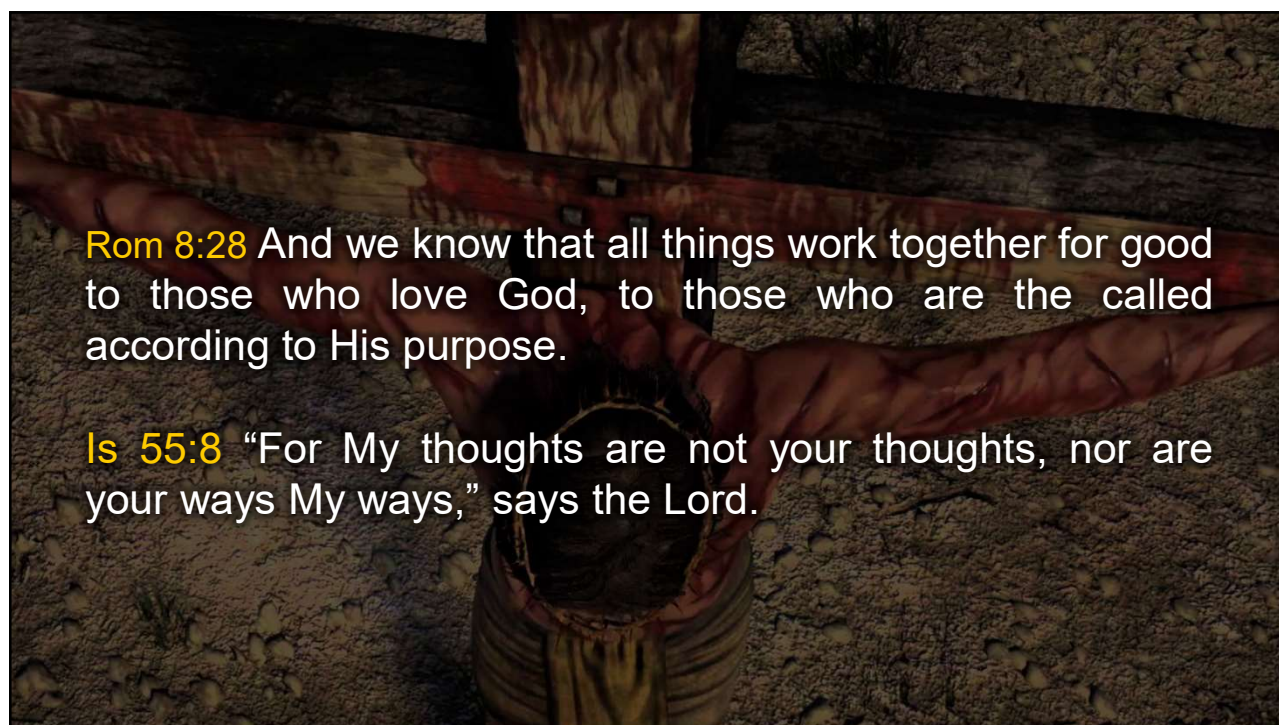
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³Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him.

Jn 11:4 When Jesus heard that, He said, “This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

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Rom 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Is 55:8 “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord.

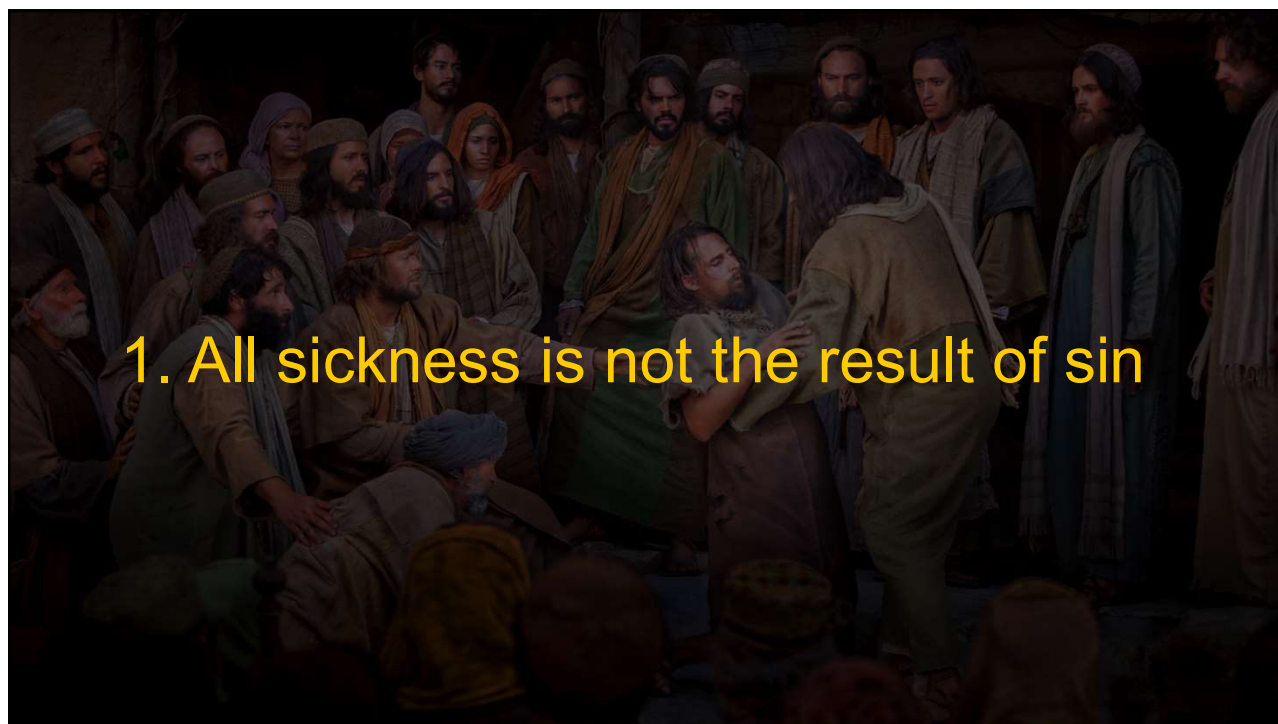
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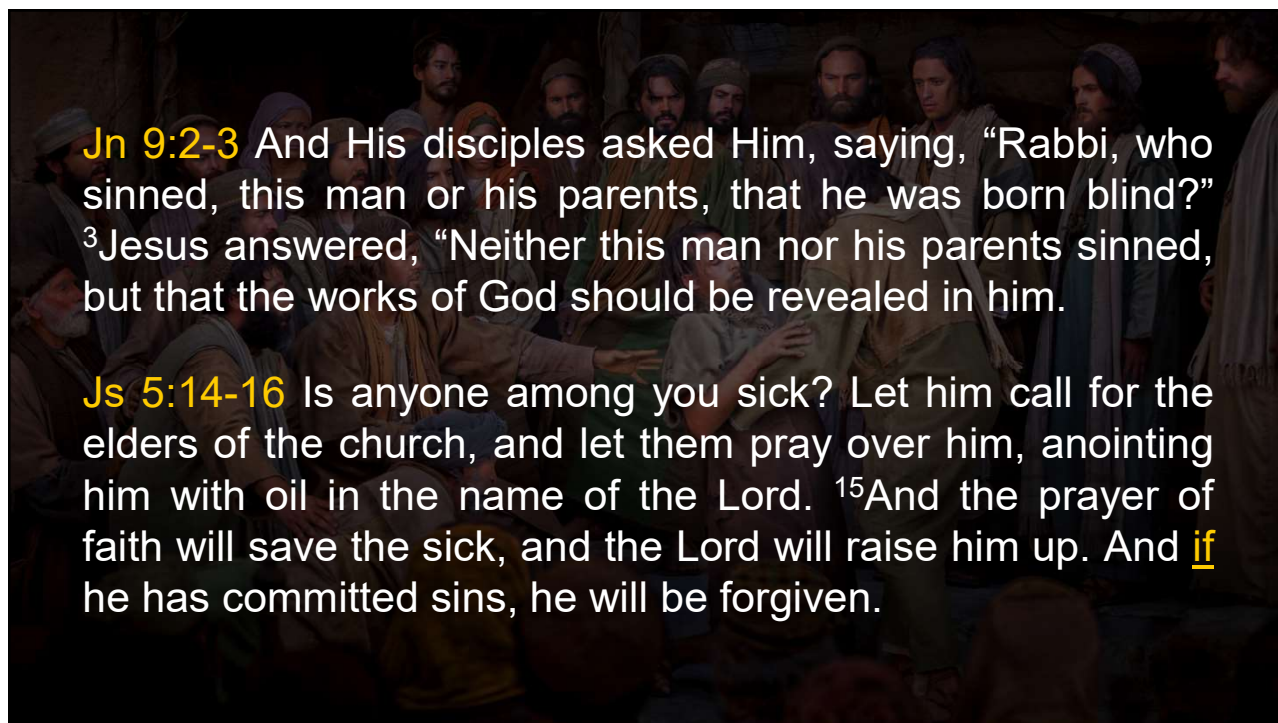


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1. All sickness is not the result of sin

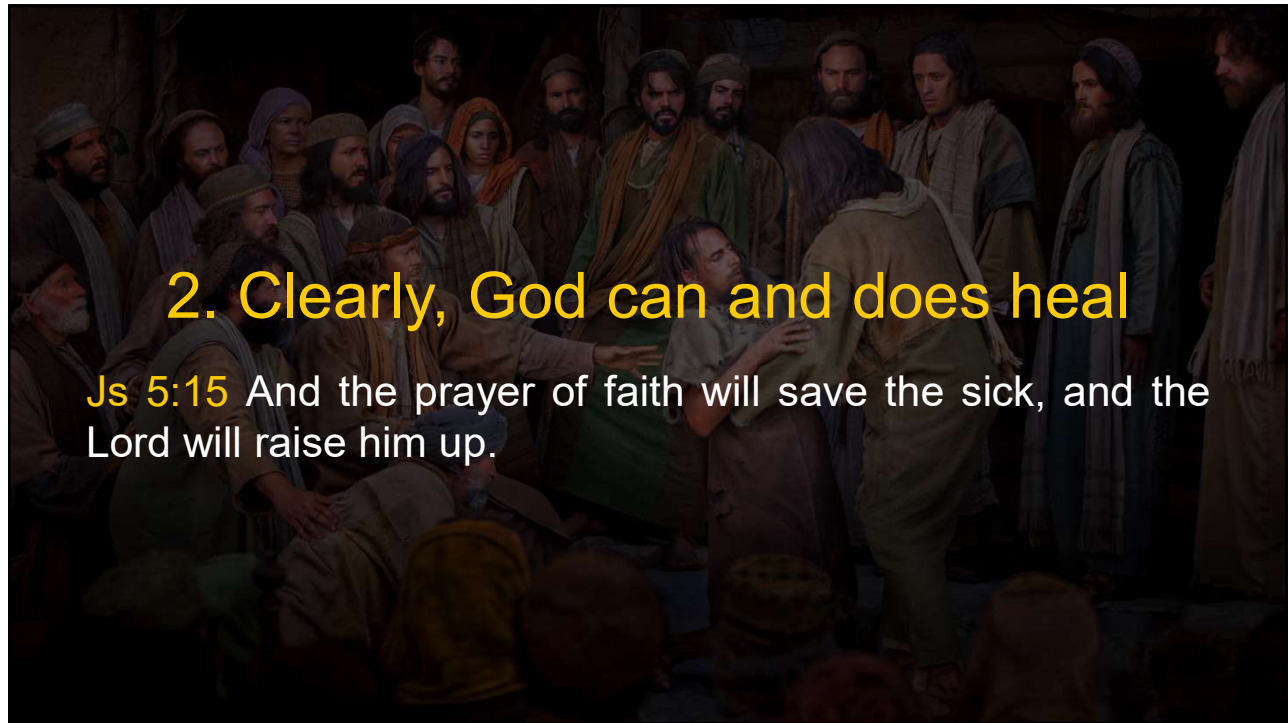
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Js 5:14-16 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And **if** he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

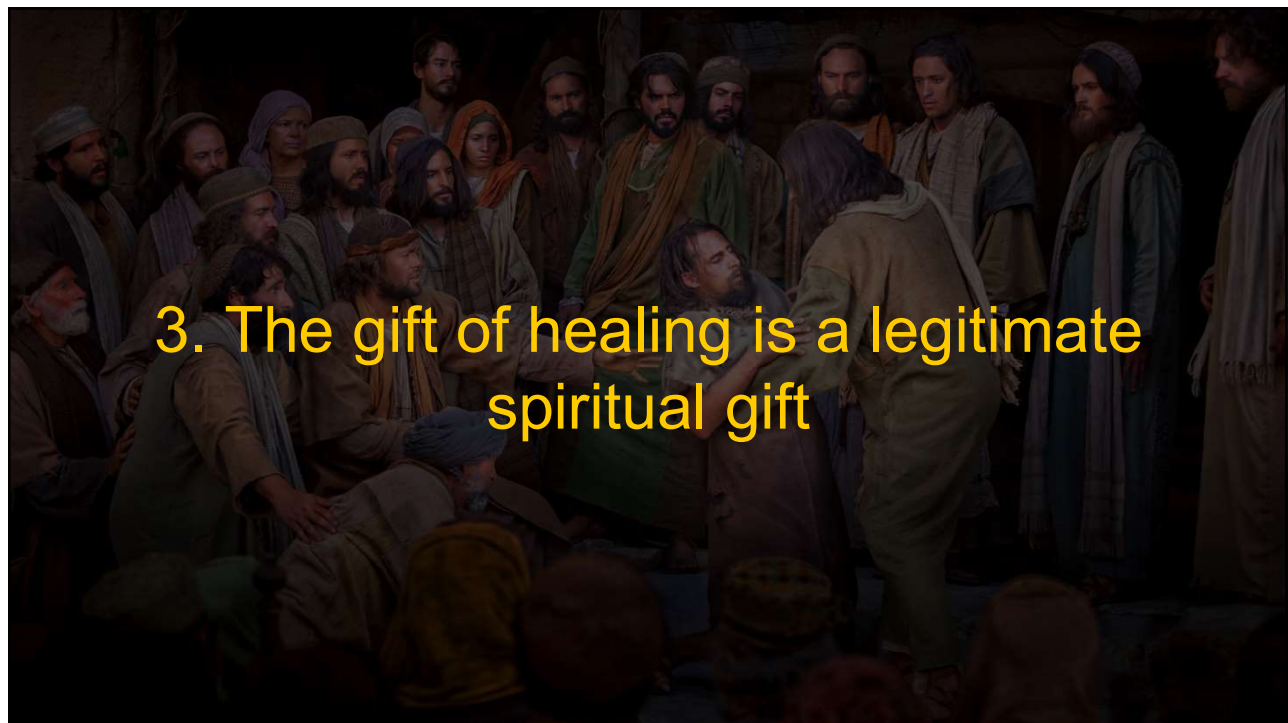
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2. Clearly, God can and does heal

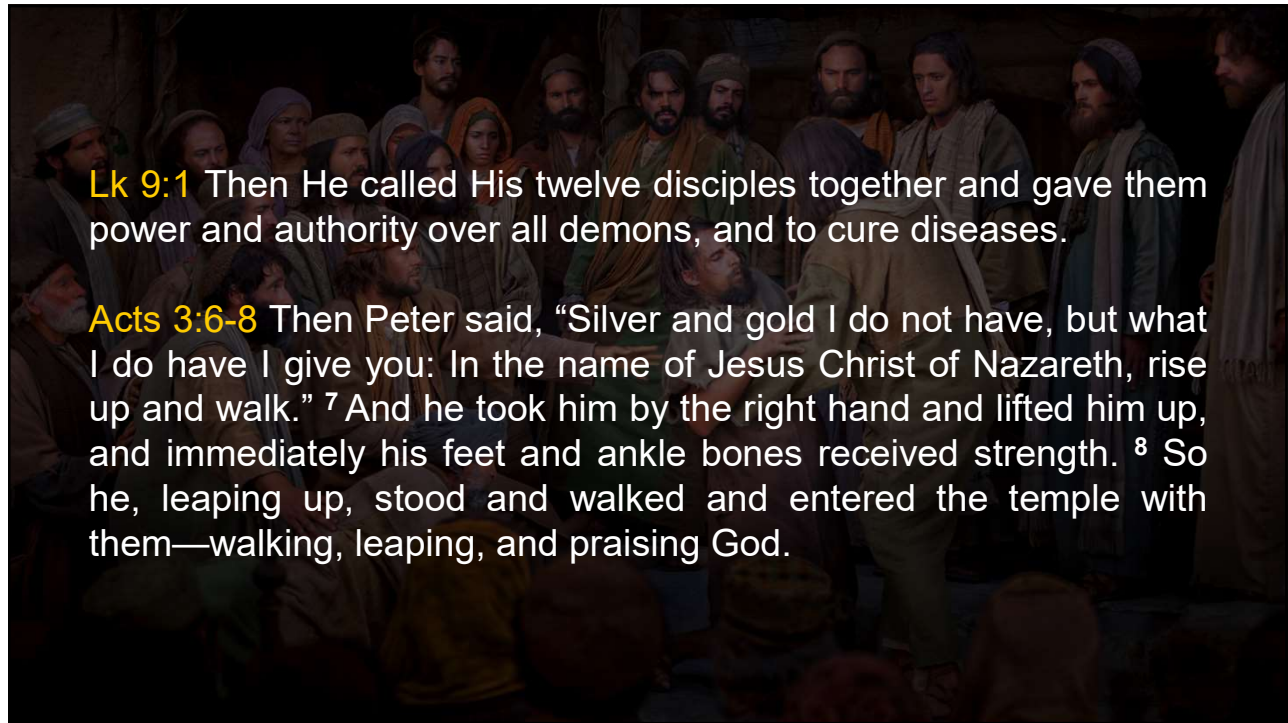
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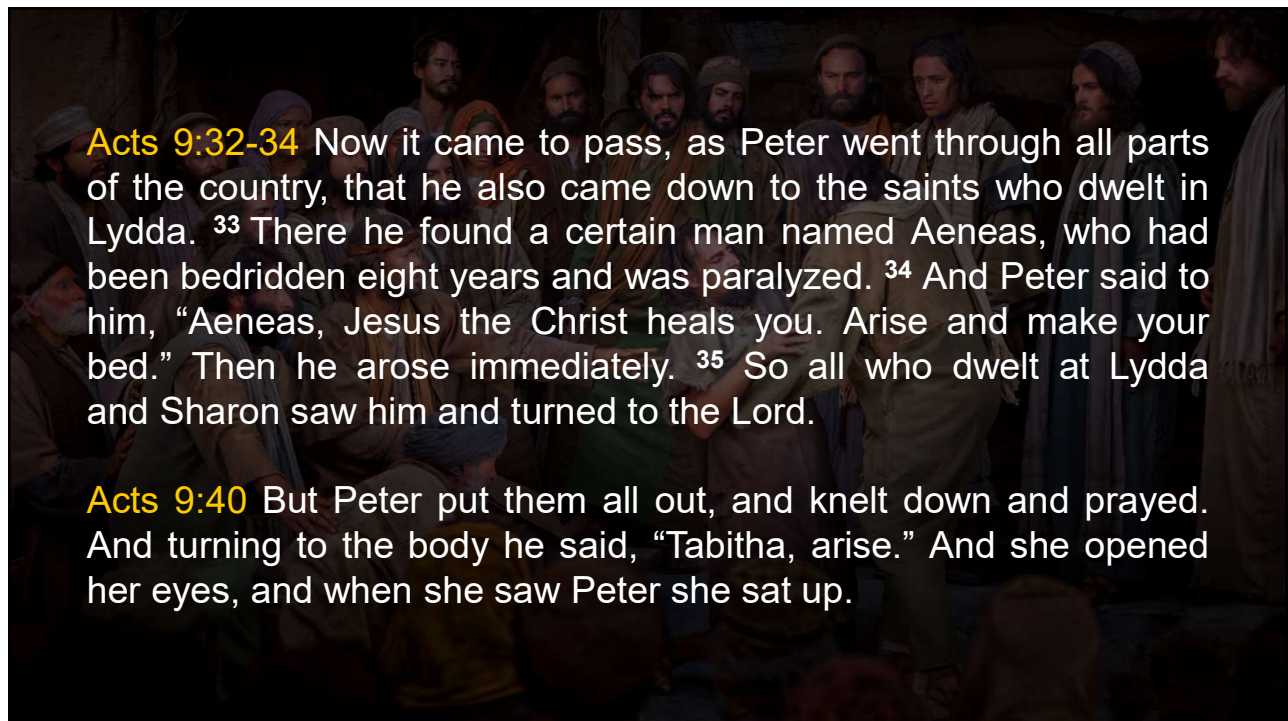


3. The gift of healing is a legitimate spiritual gift

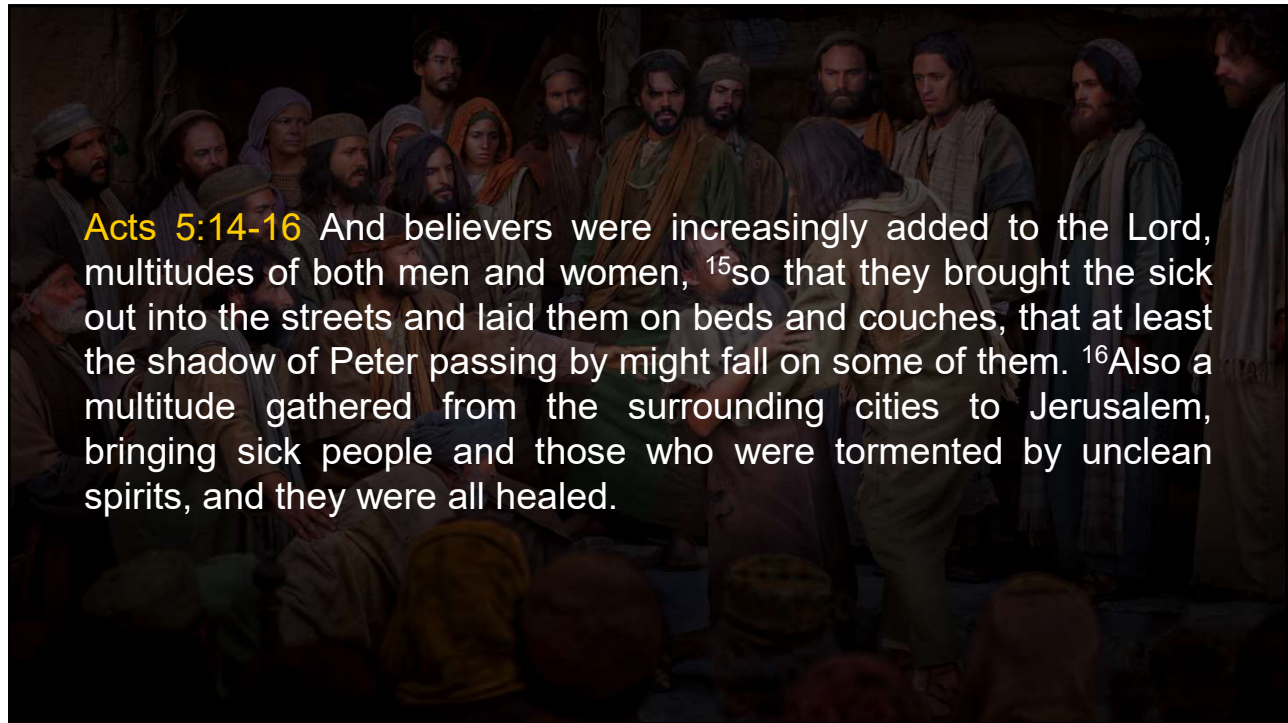
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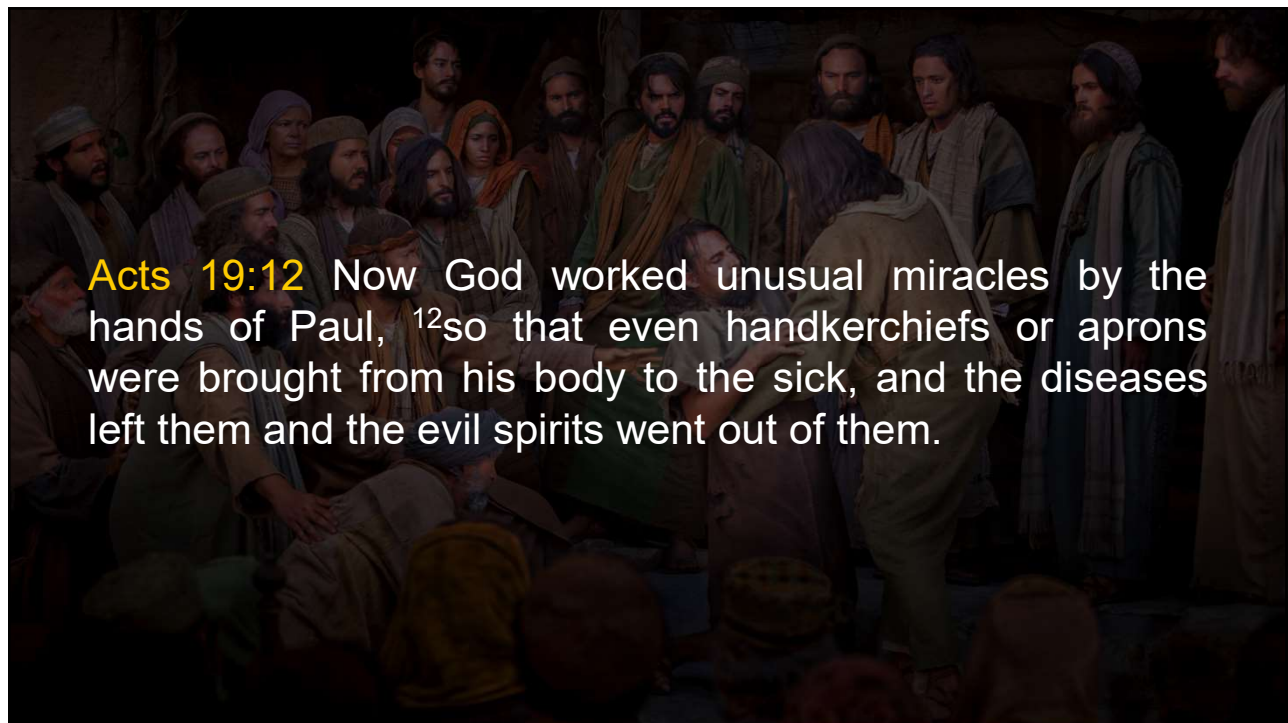
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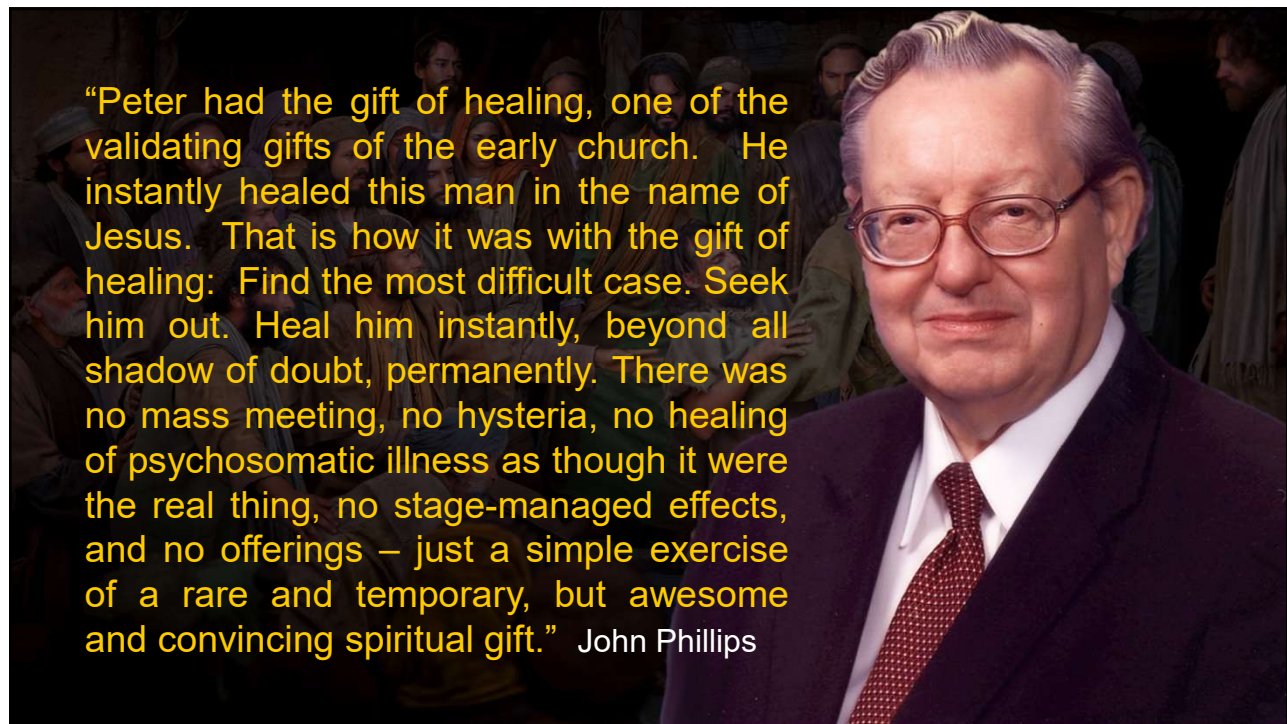
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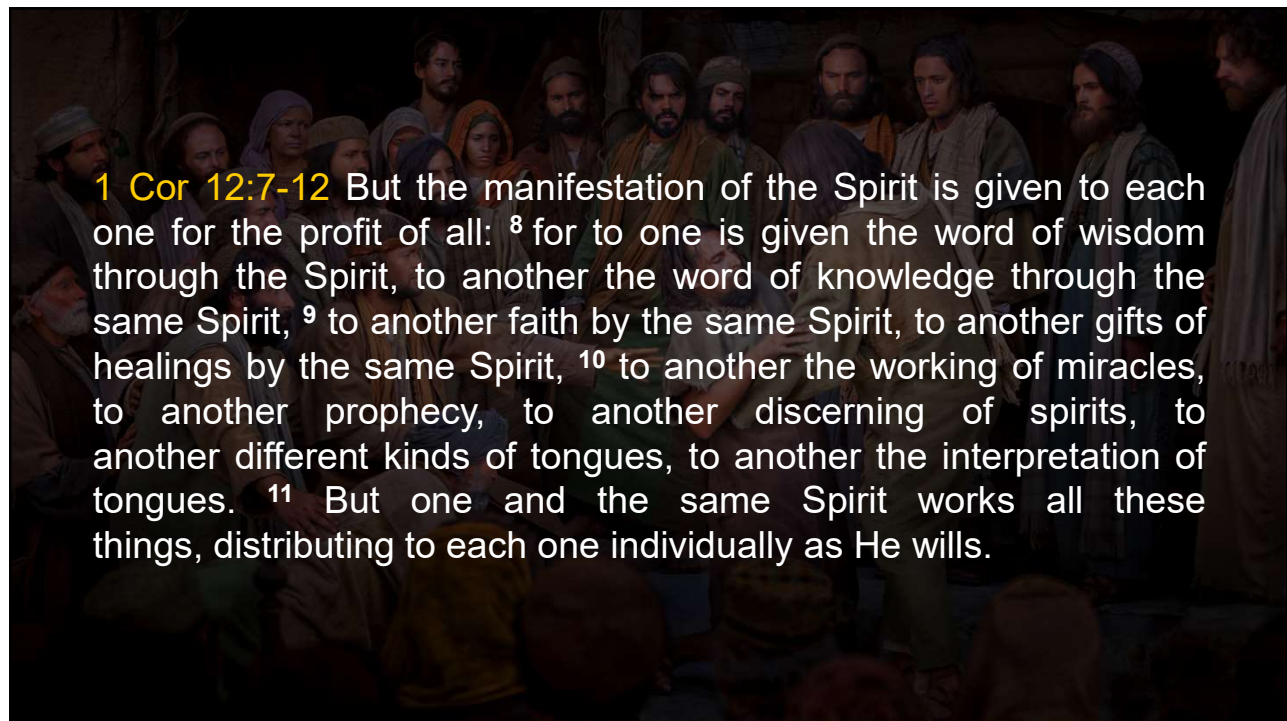
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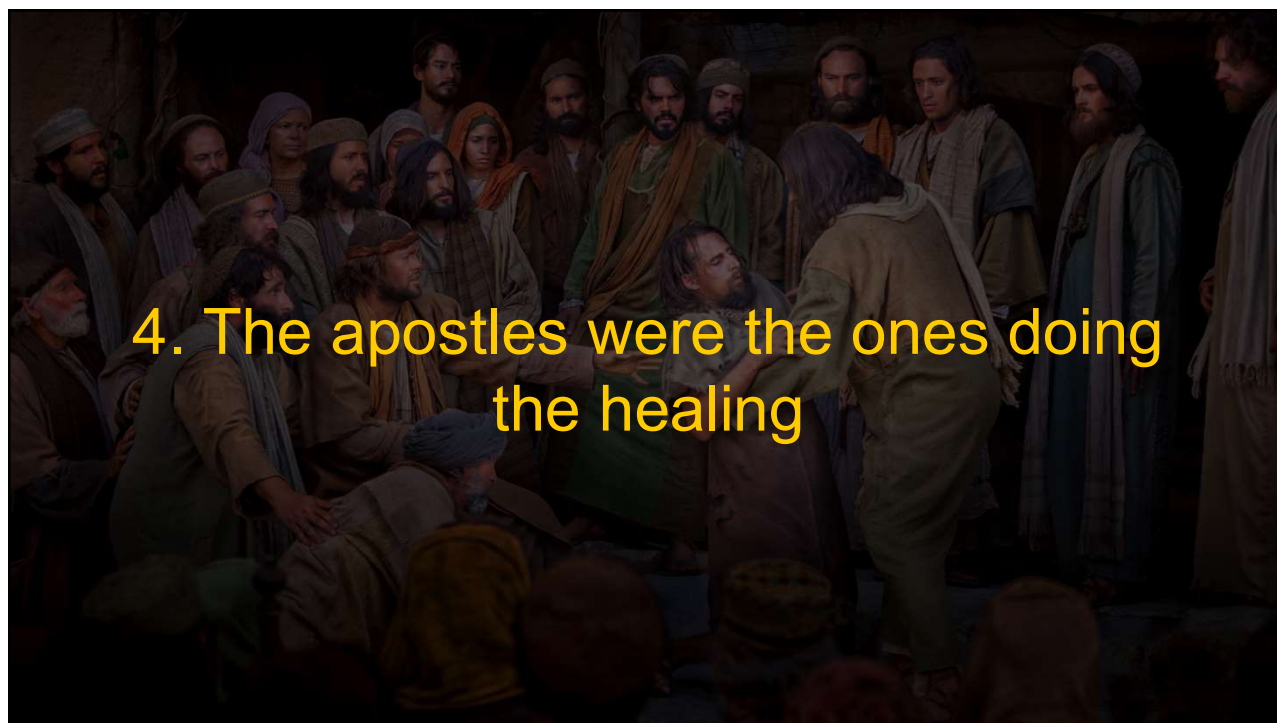
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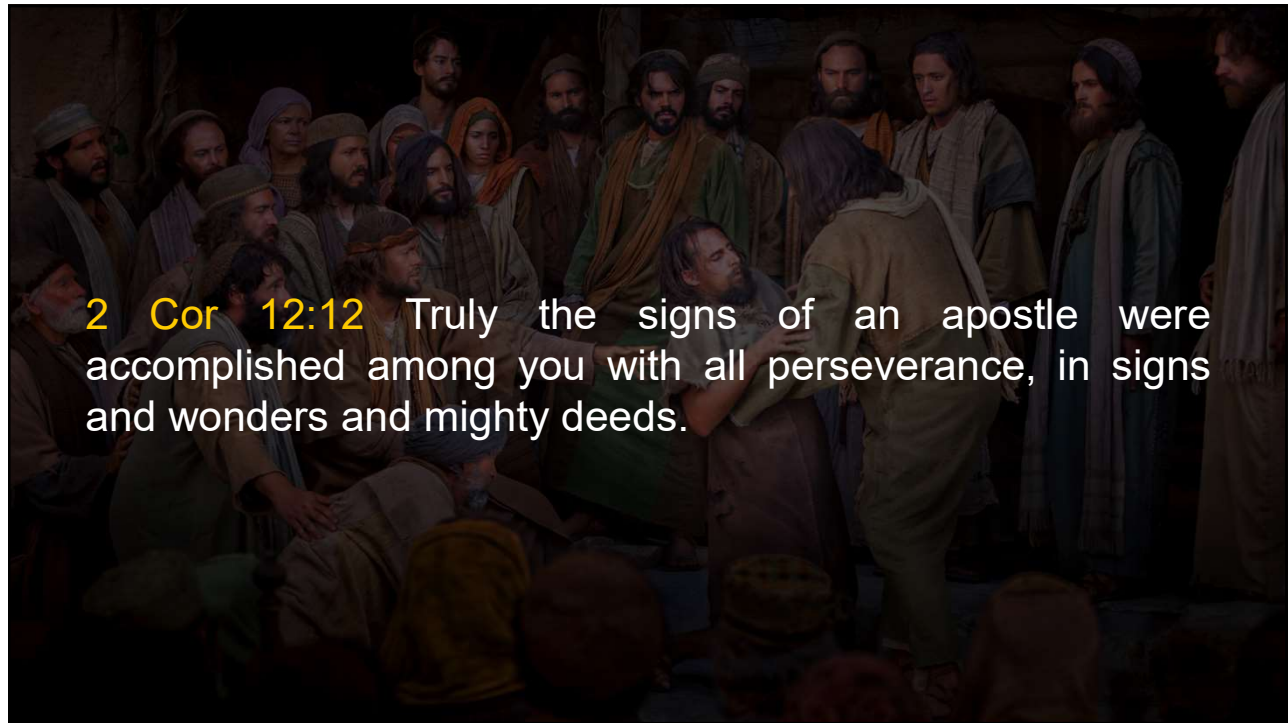
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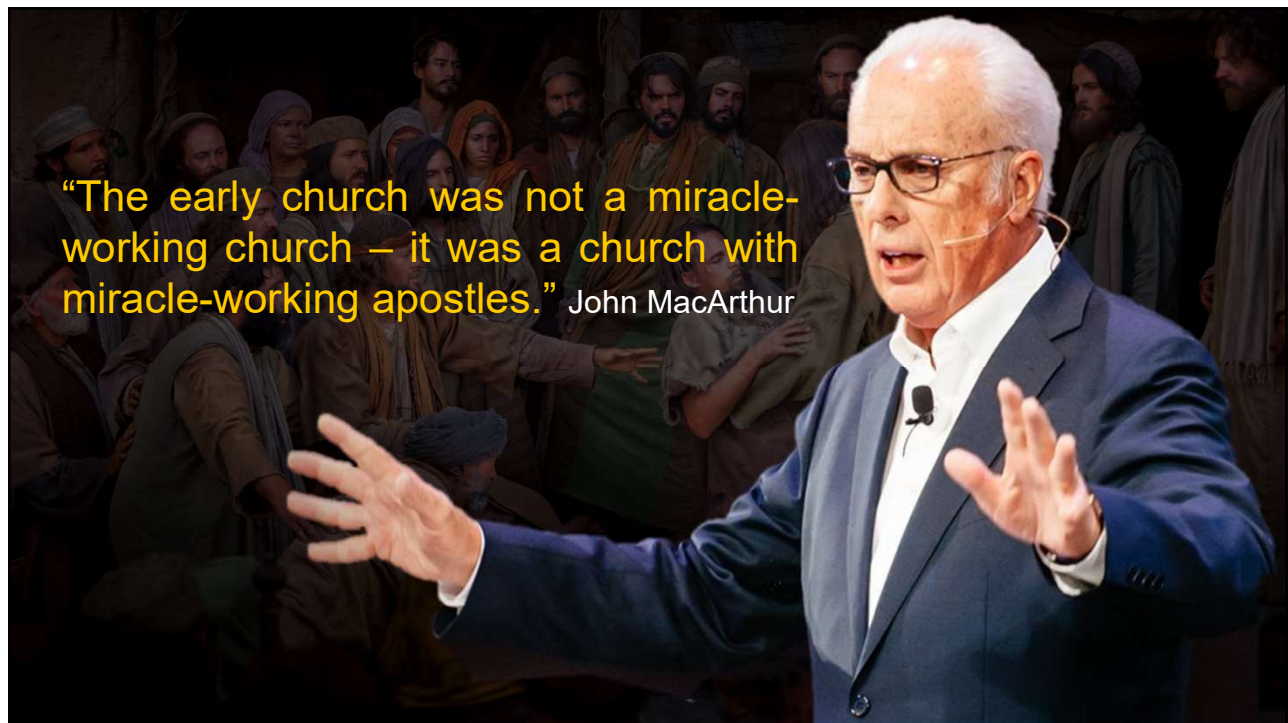


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2 Cor 12:12 Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

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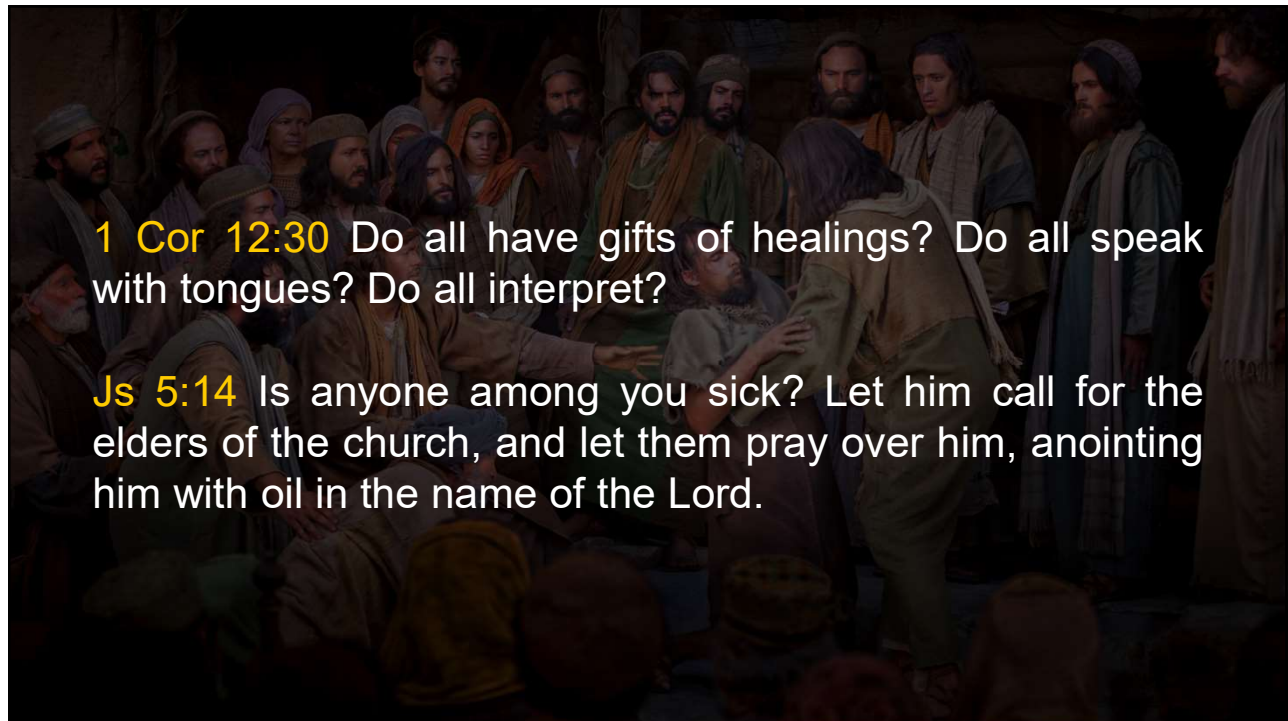
“The early church was not a miracle-working church – it was a church with miracle-working apostles.” John MacArthur

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5. The rank and file believer did not heal people

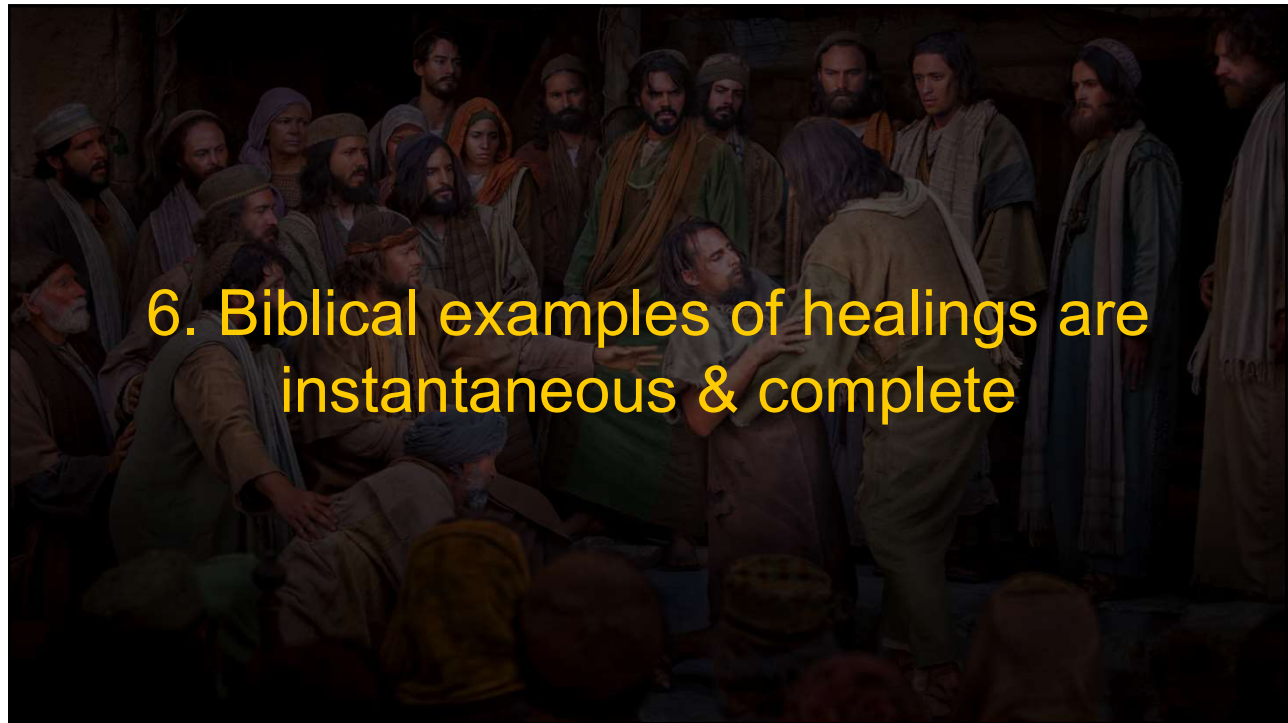
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1 Cor 12:30 Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

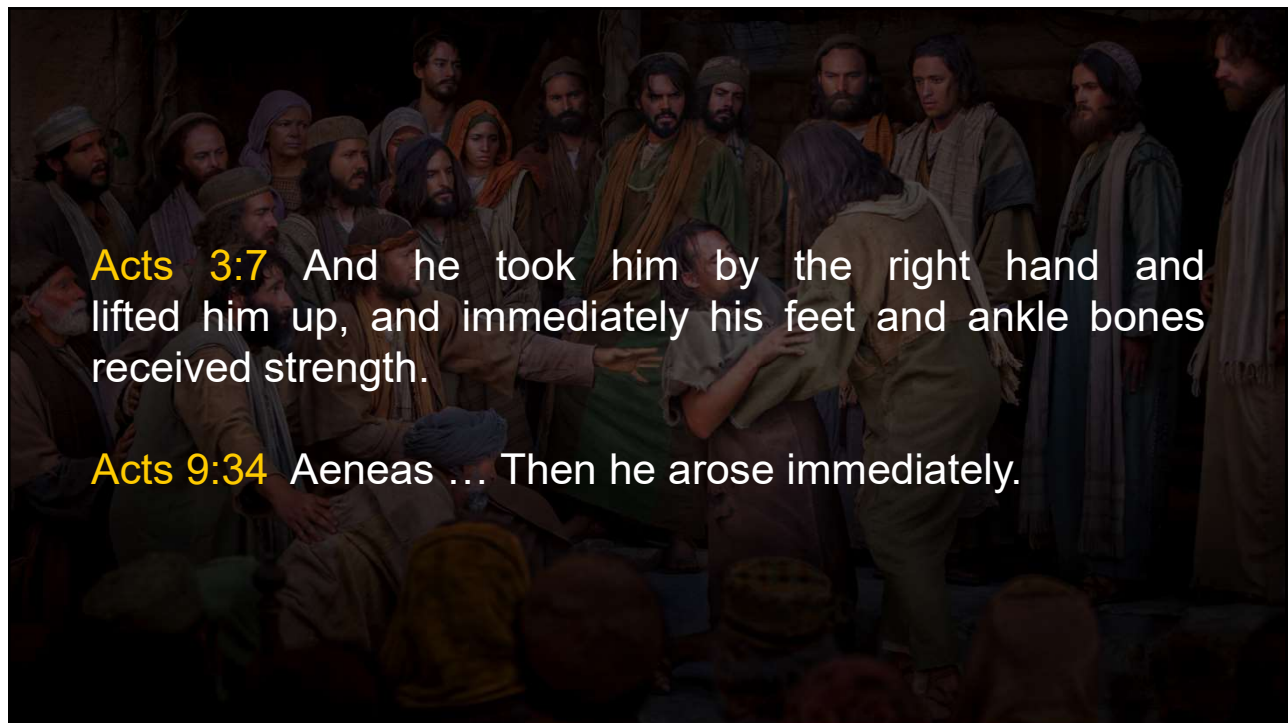
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6. Biblical examples of healings are instantaneous & complete

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Acts 3:7 And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

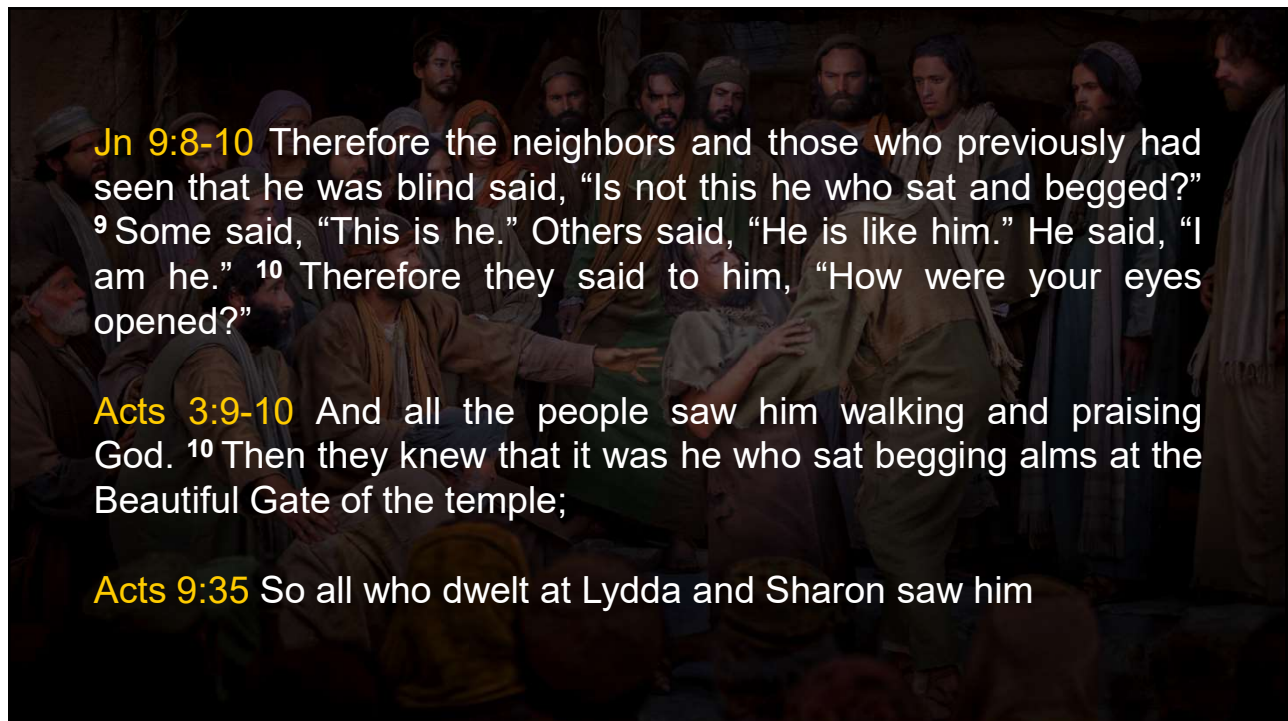
Acts 9:34 Aeneas ... Then he arose immediately.

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7. Biblical healings were always verifiable

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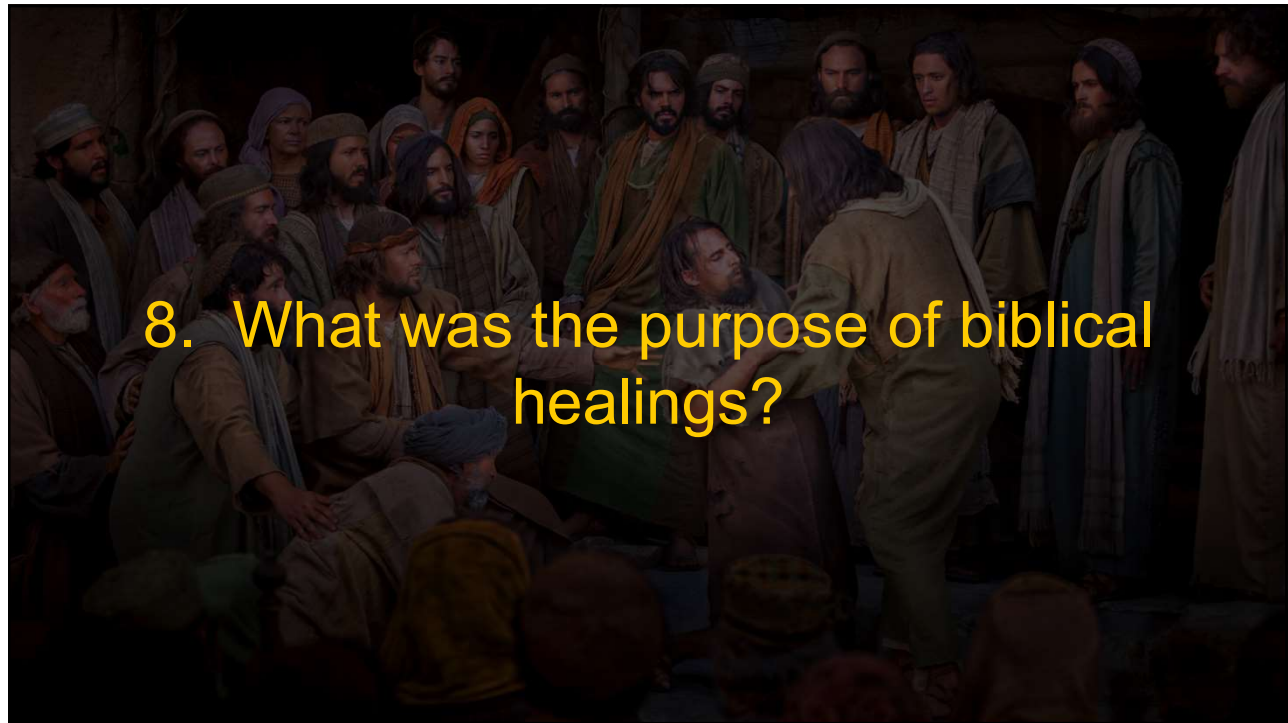


Jn 9:8-10 Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?"
⁹ Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am he."
¹⁰ Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?"

Acts 3:9-10 And all the people saw him walking and praising God.
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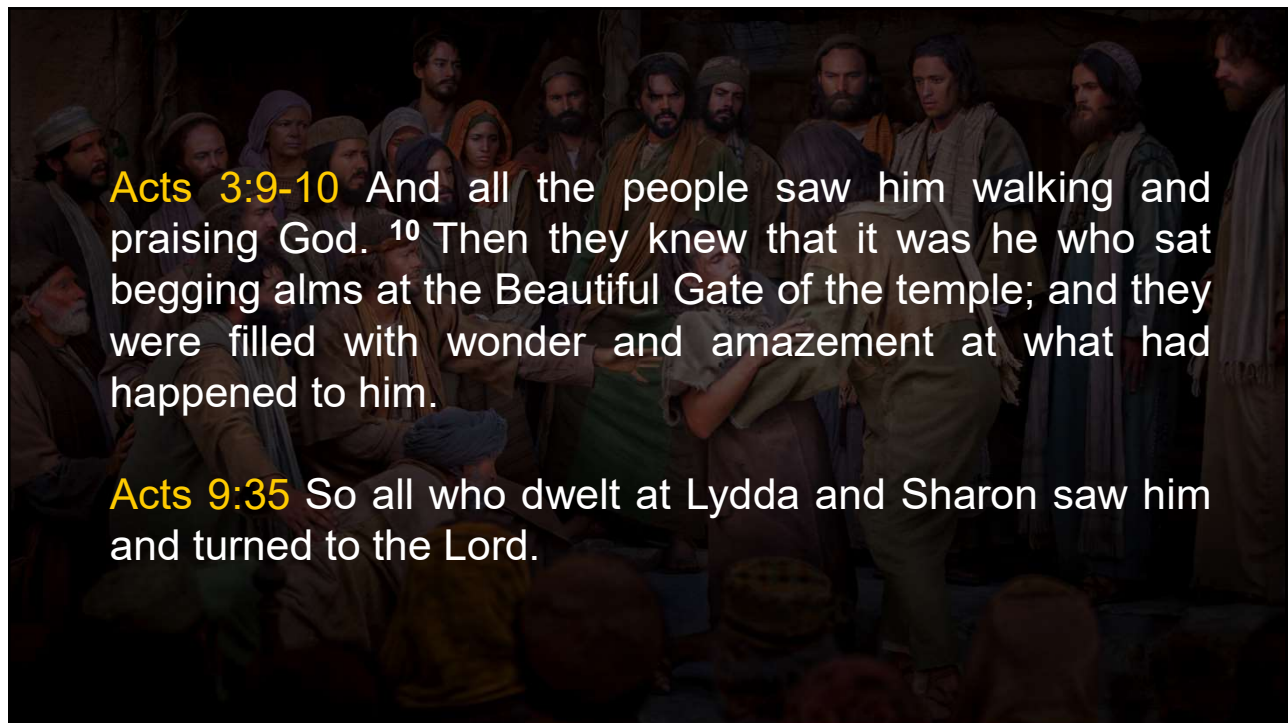
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8. What was the purpose of biblical healings?

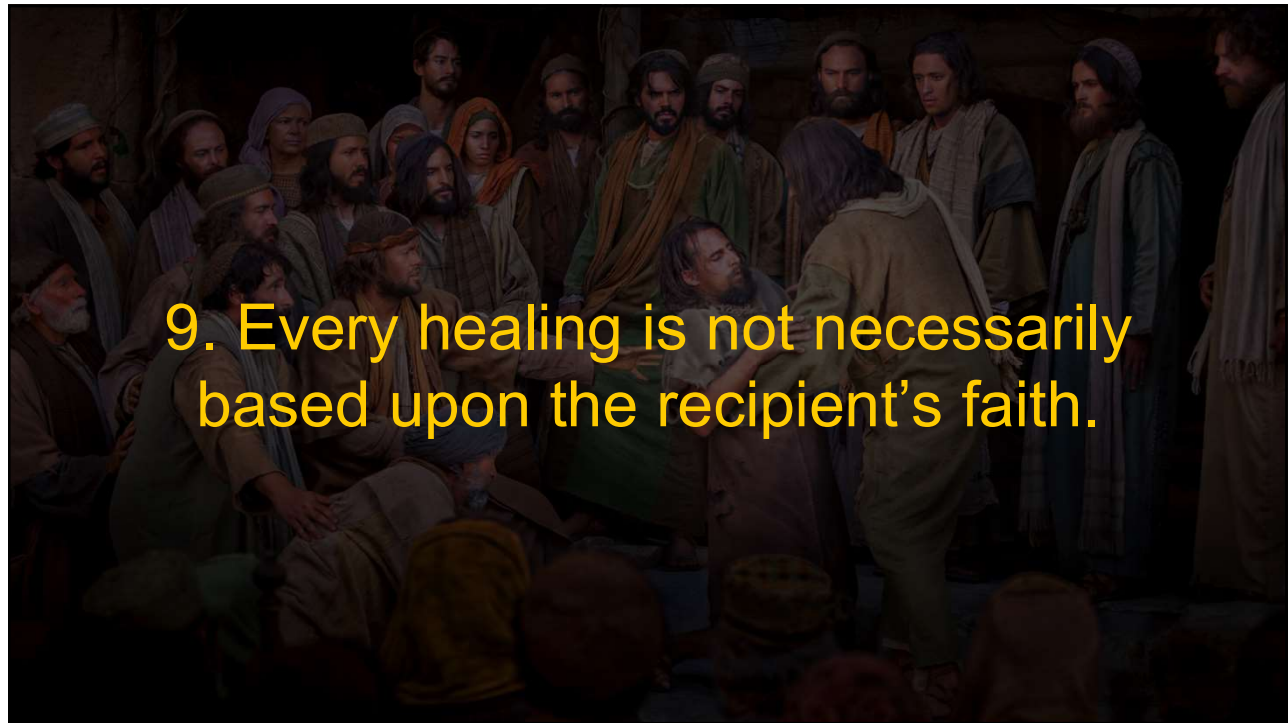
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Acts 3:9-10 And all the people saw him walking and praising God. ¹⁰ Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

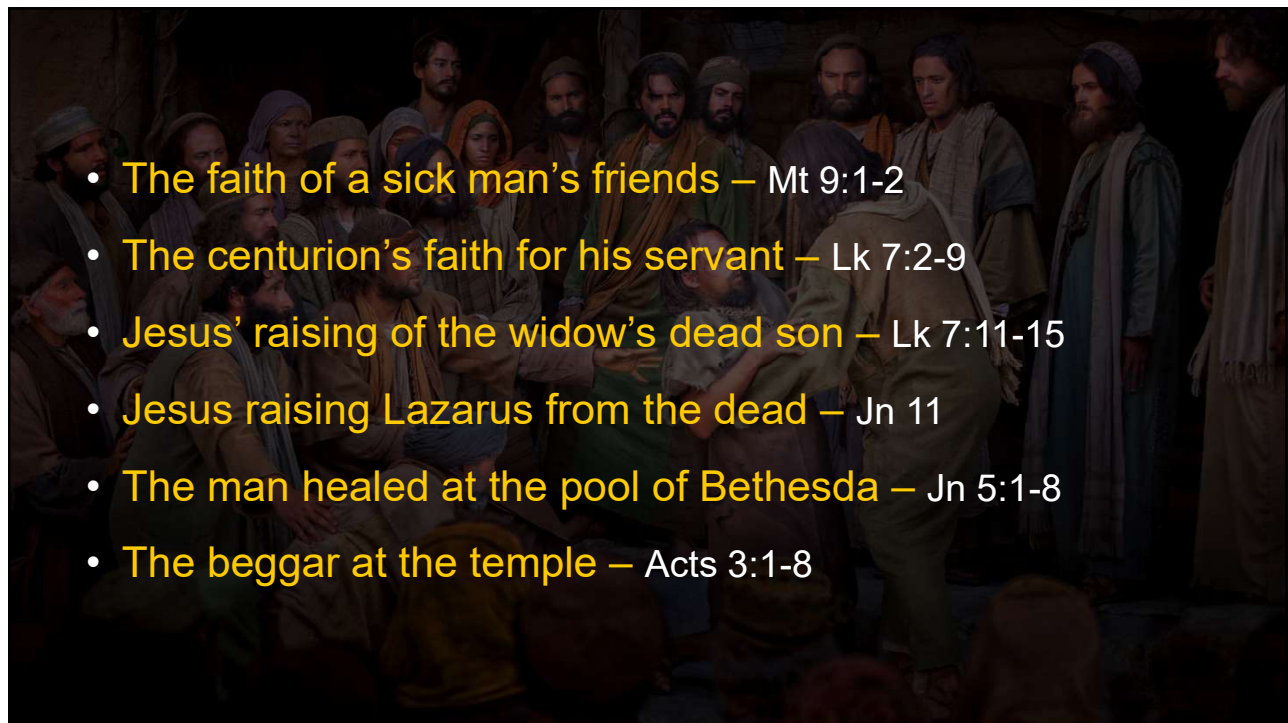
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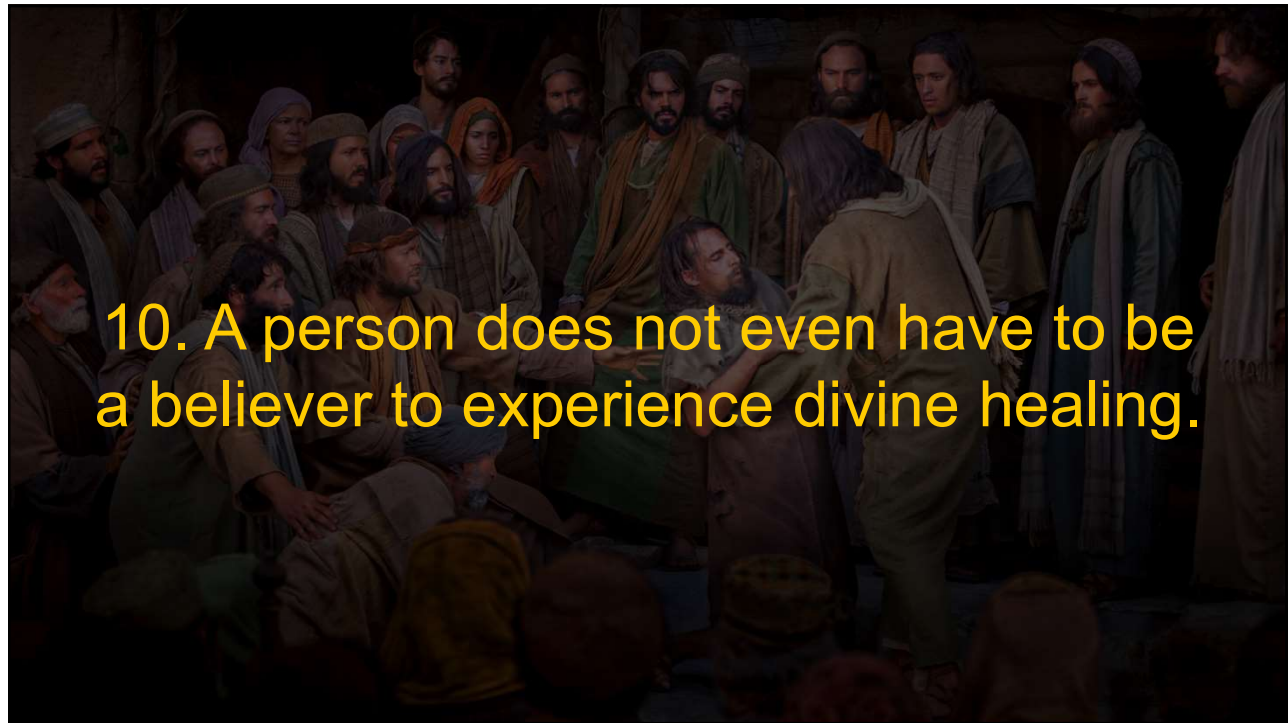
9. Every healing is not necessarily based upon the recipient's faith.

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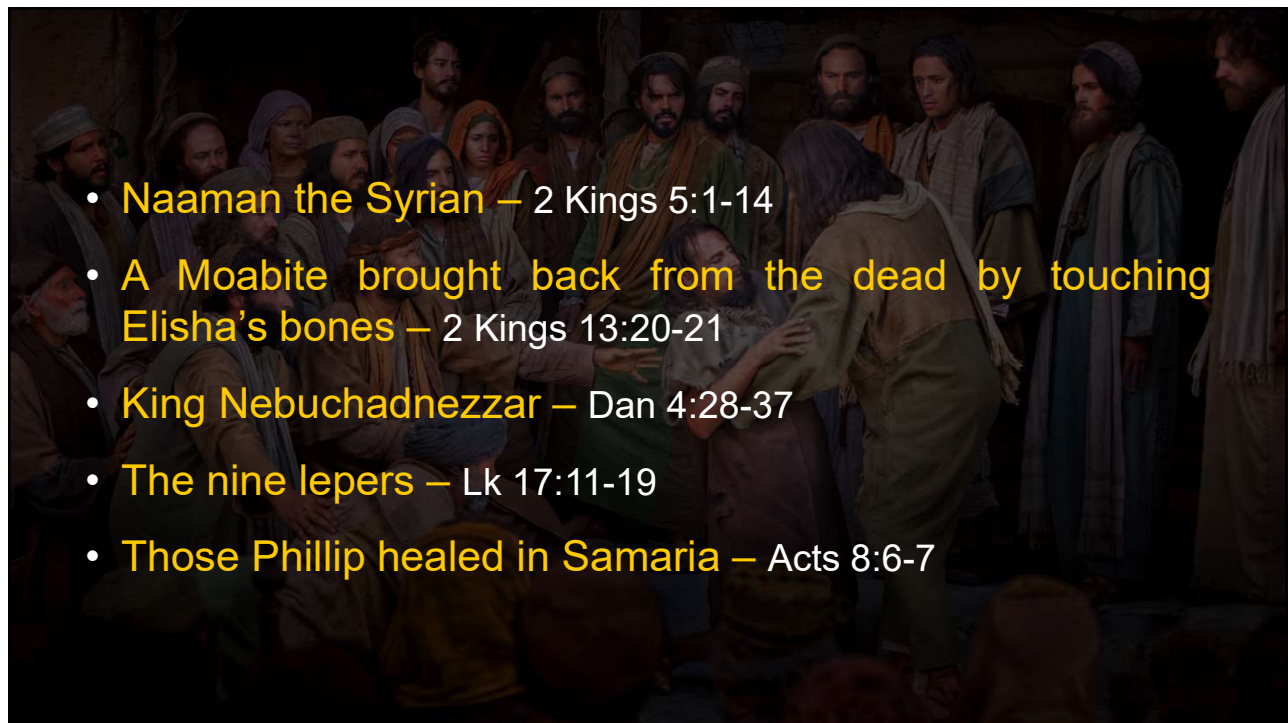
- The faith of a sick man's friends — Mt 9:1-2
- The centurion's faith for his servant — Lk 7:2-9
- Jesus' raising of the widow's dead son — Lk 7:11-15
- Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead — Jn 11
- The man healed at the pool of Bethesda — Jn 5:1-8
- The beggar at the temple — Acts 3:1-8

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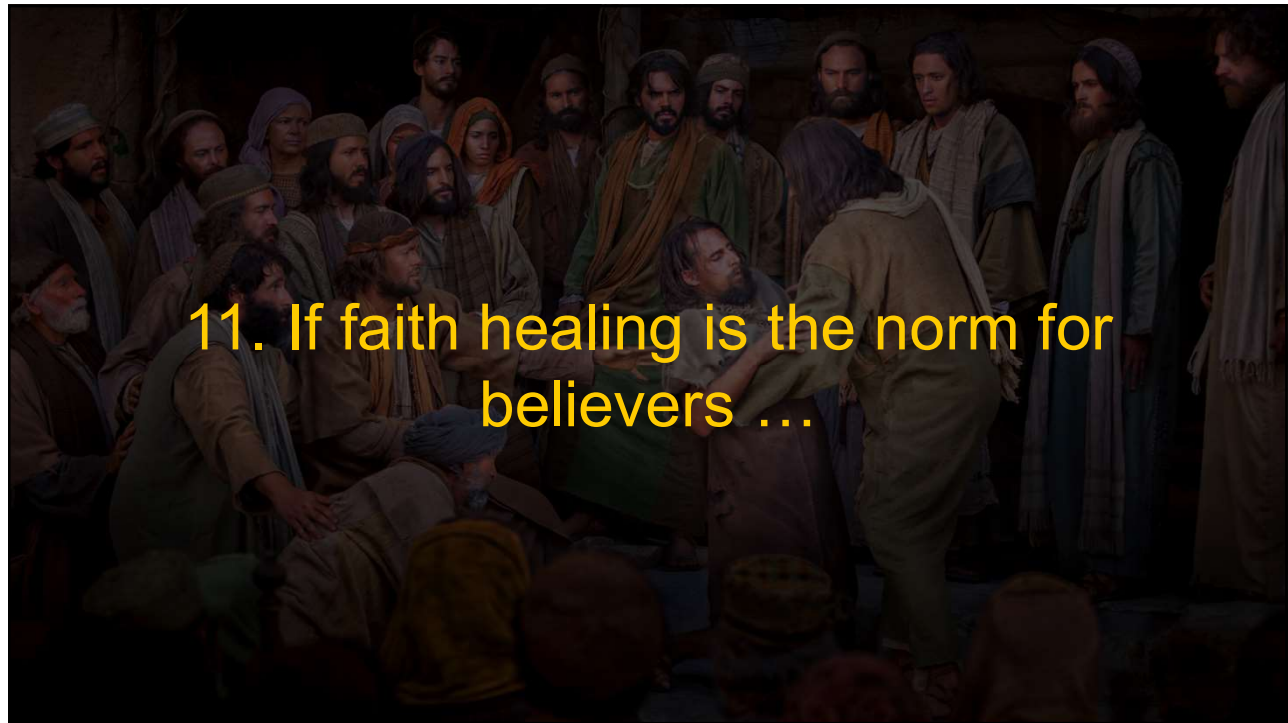
10. A person does not even have to be a believer to experience divine healing.

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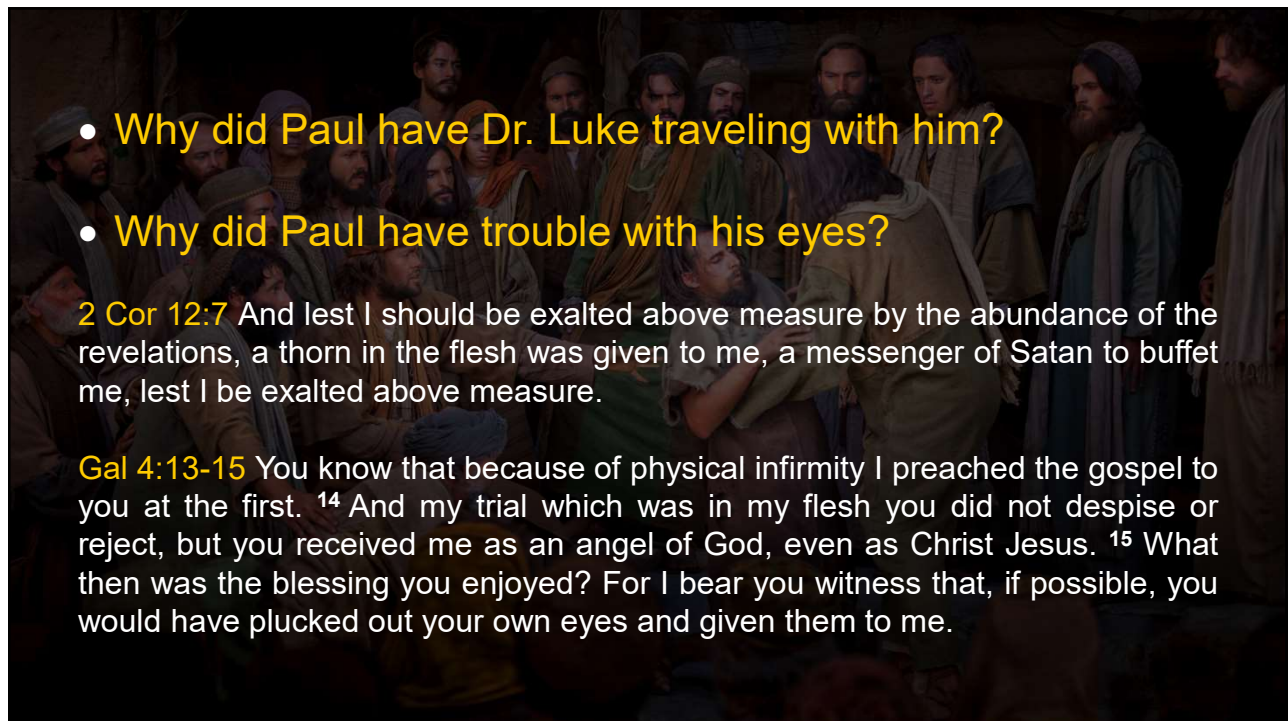


- Naaman the Syrian – 2 Kings 5:1-14
- A Moabite brought back from the dead by touching Elisha's bones – 2 Kings 13:20-21
- King Nebuchadnezzar – Dan 4:28-37
- The nine lepers – Lk 17:11-19
- Those Phillip healed in Samaria – Acts 8:6-7

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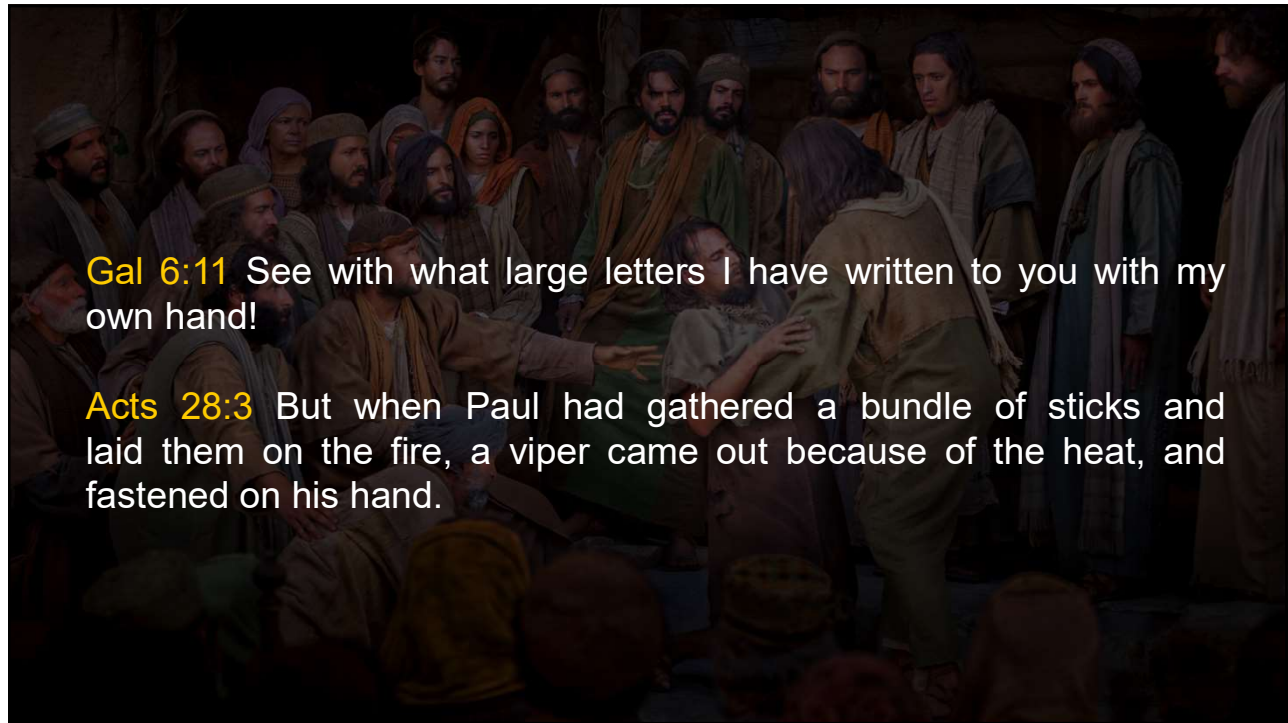


- Why did Paul have Dr. Luke traveling with him?
- Why did Paul have trouble with his eyes?

2 Cor 12:7 And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

Gal 4:13-15 You know that because of physical infirmity I preached the gospel to you at the first. ¹⁴ And my trial which was in my flesh you did not despise or reject, but you received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ What then was the blessing you enjoyed? For I bear you witness that, if possible, you would have plucked out your own eyes and given them to me.

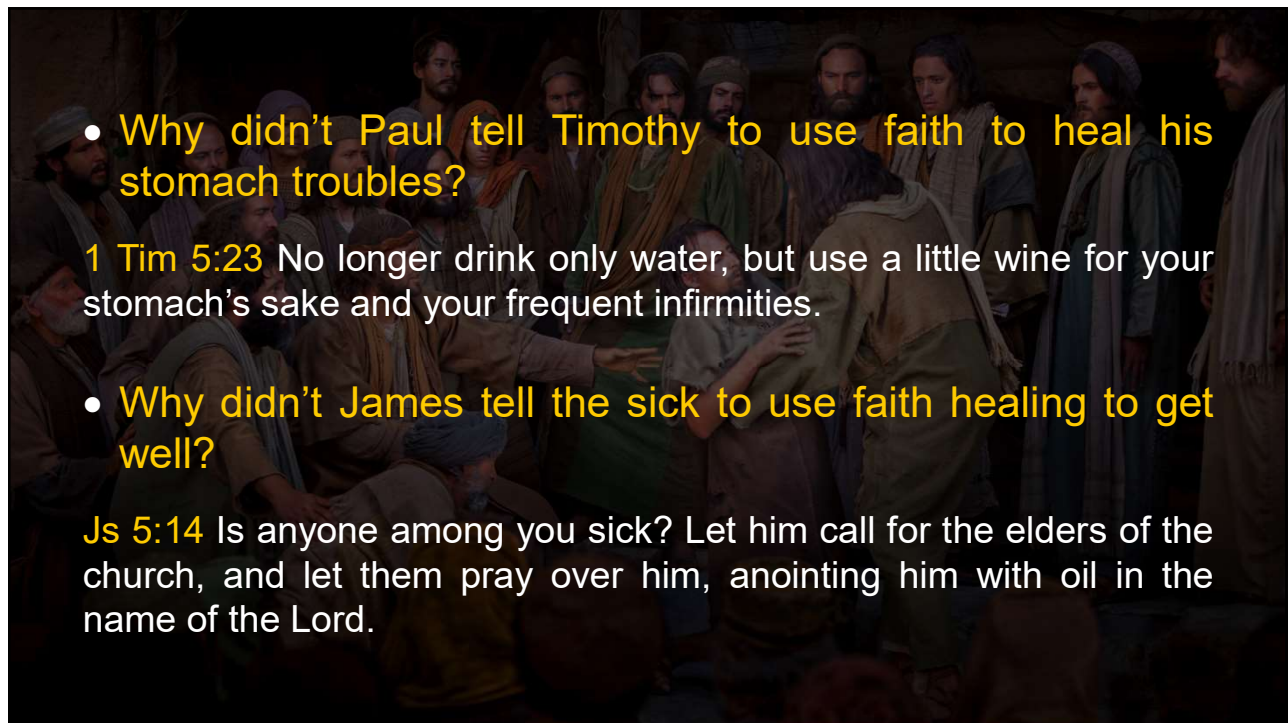
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Gal 6:11 See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!

Acts 28:3 But when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire, a viper came out because of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

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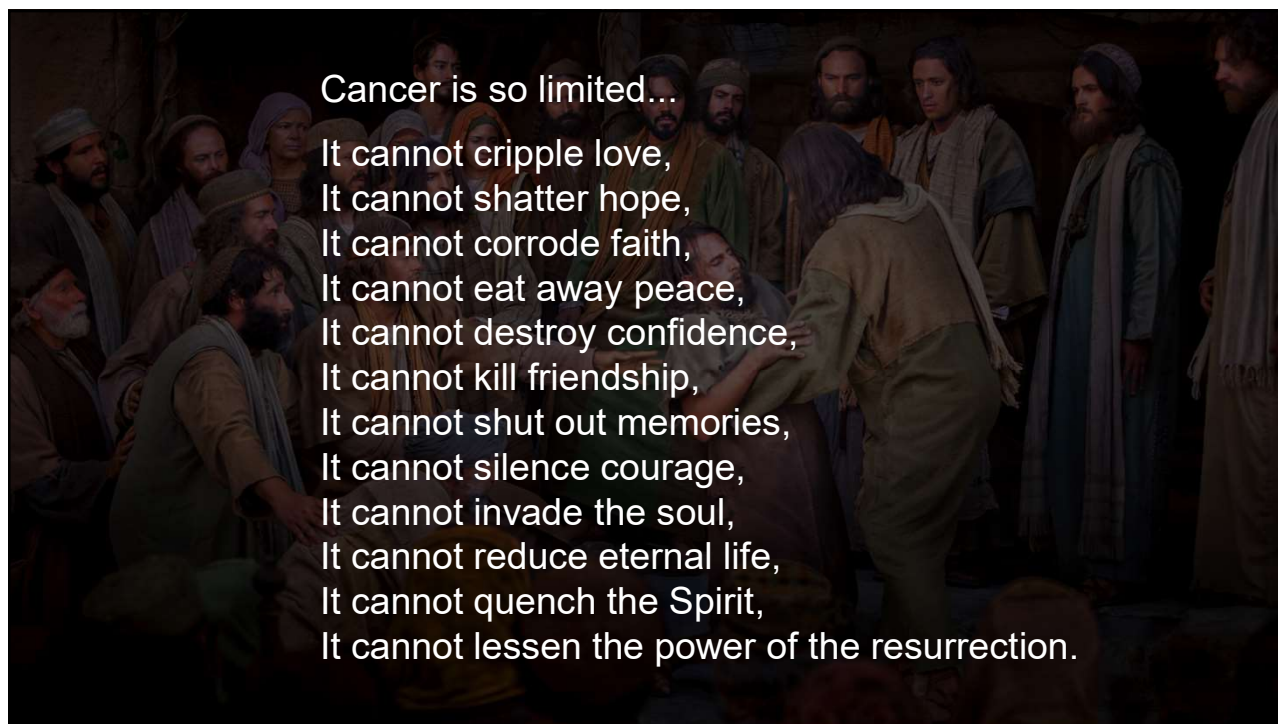
- **Why didn't Paul tell Timothy to use faith to heal his stomach troubles?**

1 Tim 5:23 No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for your stomach's sake and your frequent infirmities.

- **Why didn't James tell the sick to use faith healing to get well?**

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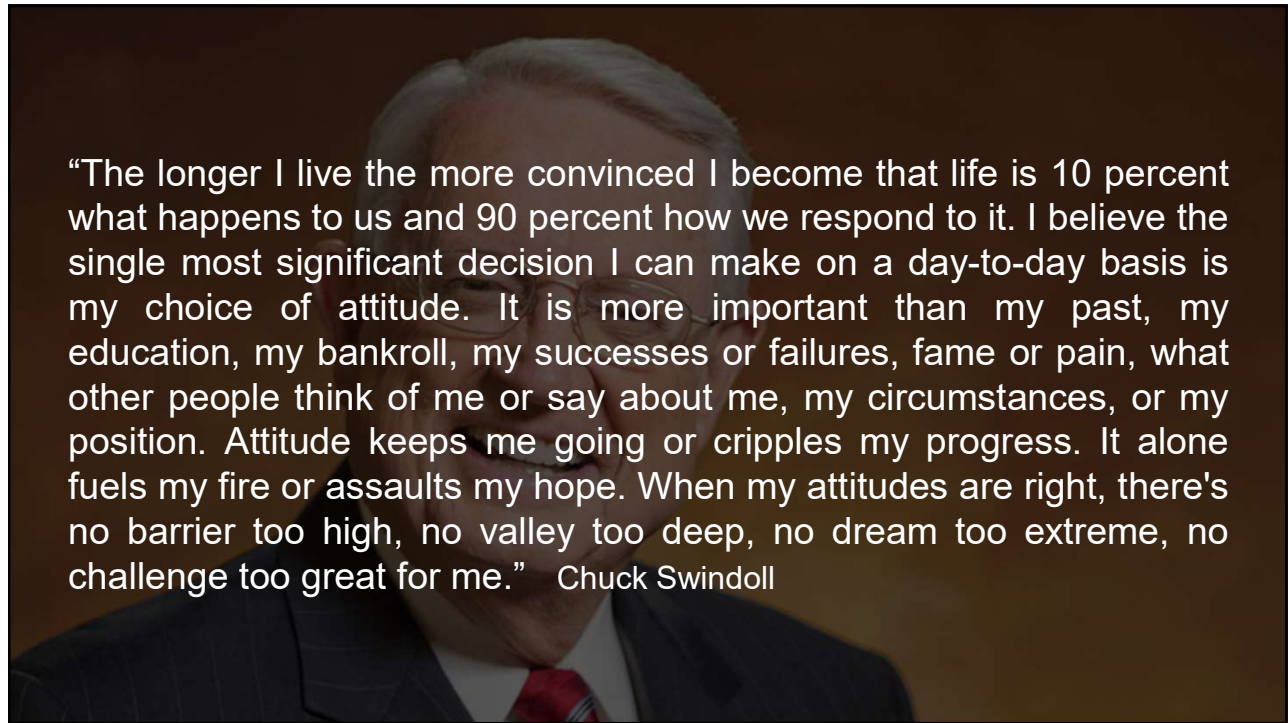
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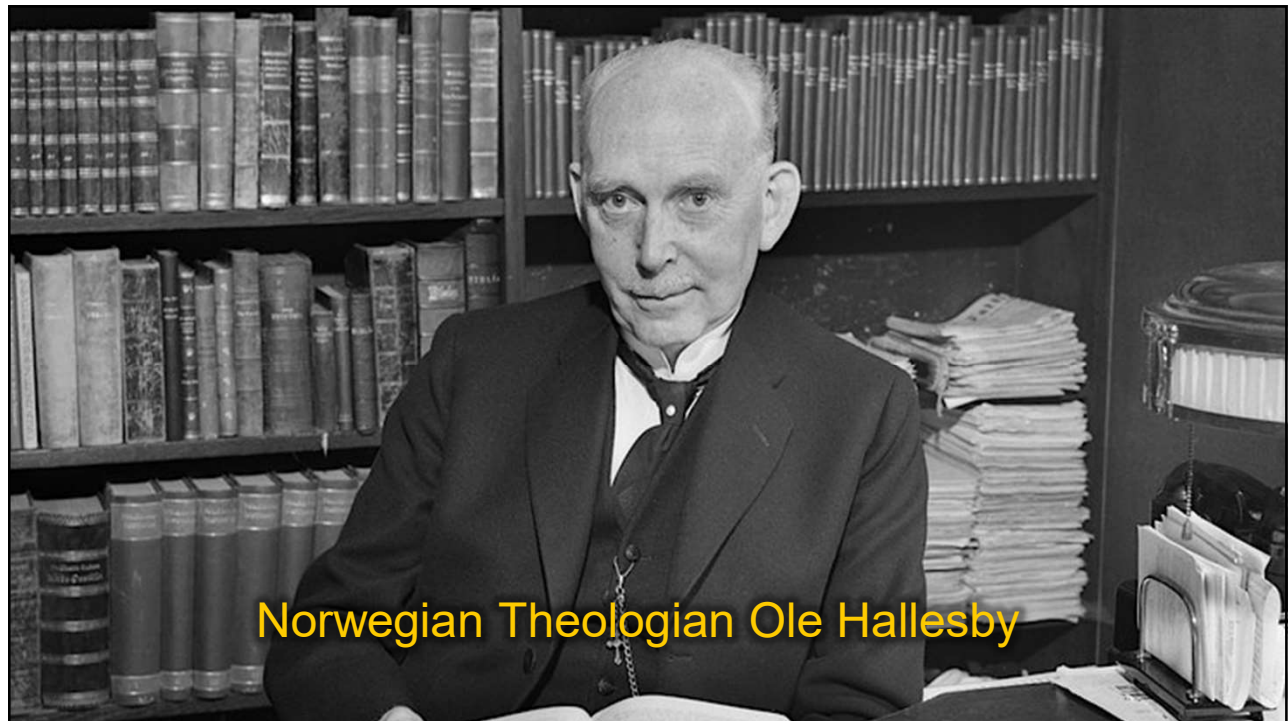
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