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Key benefit prophetically expressed

Isaiah 53:4-5, which reads:

Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed.



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## Isaiah prophecy confirmed

**Matthew 8:16-17.**

That evening they brought to Him many who were oppressed by demons, and He cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick. This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “He took our illnesses and bore our diseases.

## Jesus' instructions to His disciples

**Matthew 10:7-8:**

And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.







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## **Power message through the power of the Holy Spirit**

**1 Corinthians 4:20:**  
For the kingdom of God does not  
consist in talk but in power.

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## What about today?

Acts 10:38:

“how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.”

## Jesus' intention:

John 20:21: “Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you.”

John 14:12 – “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in Me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.”

**Qualified and Commissioned**

“**A**LL AUTHORITY in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and **make disciples** of **all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.**”

The GREAT  
COMMISSION



# WHY DID JESUS HEAL THE SICK AND WHY DOES HE CONTINUE TO HEAL TODAY

## Sent by the Father

**John 6:38** – “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me.”

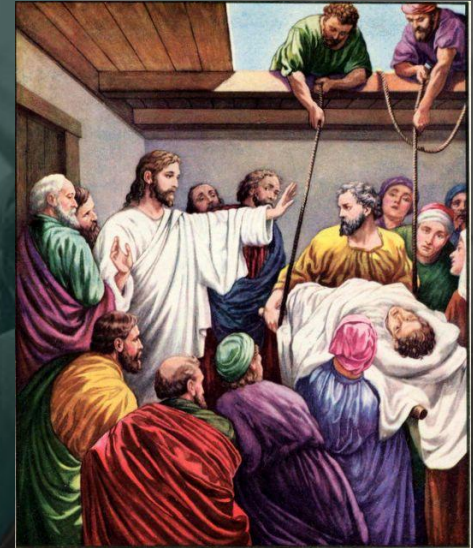
## Response to those in need

## Revelation of the Father

**Exodus 15:26** “If you will diligently listen to the voice of the Lord your God, and do that which is right in His eyes, and give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, your healer.”

**Psalms 103:3**– “Who forgives all your iniquity, Who heals all your diseases.”

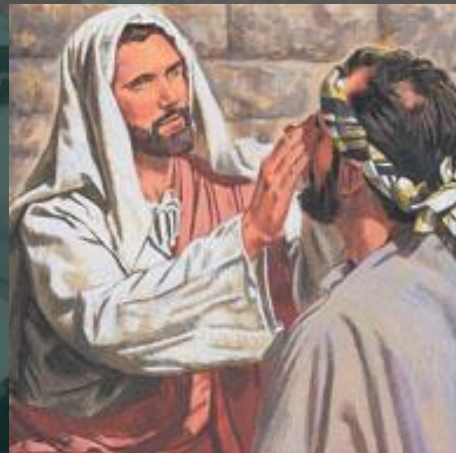
**Col 1:15**- Christ is the visible image of the invisible God



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## Revelation of the Messiah

**Luke 4:18-19** reads – “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”



## Forgiveness of sins

**Matthew 9:4-5**, Jesus said “But Jesus knew what they were thinking and said, “Why do you harbor evil in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk?’ But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins...” Then He said to the paralytic, “Get up, pick up your mat, and go home.”...

## Kingdom of Heaven on earth

**Luke 13:16** – “And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?”



# WHY SHOULD WE PRAY TO HEAL THE SICK

- Jesus is our model
- God uses people
- Release the blessing of people





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## God's love and comparison

**Matthew 8:16** – “That evening they brought to Him many who were oppressed by demons, and He cast out the spirits with a word and healed all who were sick.”

**Luke 4:40**– “Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to Him, and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them’

## God's supernatural power

**Matthew 10:1** – “And He called to Him His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction.”



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## Promotes evangelism

**John 6:1-2** – “After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. And a large crowd was following Him, because they saw the signs that He was doing on the sick.”

## Today is no different



**Mark 16:16-18** – “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: in My name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

## Power and Authority

**John 14:12** – “whoever believes in Me”? Here Jesus says – “And these signs will accompany those who believe”,



# THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Matthew 6**, it starts as follows: - “Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven”



## Weekly small group notes from Sunday Sermon (Duration - 1 to 1.5hrs)

1. Welcome: Introduce SG to visitors and ask group to share on the following: Have you ever seen someone being healed physically by the Lord? Is it possible?
2. Worship together: 1 or 2 Worship songs / open SG in prayer asking the Father to give us fresh revelation of His power and willingness to still heal today.
3. SG Questions: (let 2 or 3 people answer a specific question and give everyone a turn)
  - a) Healings foundation: Read Isaiah 53:4-5, Upon what basis can we expect God to still heal today?
  - b) The model to follow: Read Matthew 8:16-17 & Matthew 10:7-8. Was Jesus and His disciples limited when it came to healing infirmities and spiritual oppression in those around them?
  - c) The power, qualification & Commission: Read 1 Corinthians 4:20, John 20:21 & John 14:12. How are we qualified and empowered to ministering healing to others?
  - d) Restoration: Read Exodus 15:26, Colossians 1:15 & Psalm 103:3 . Do you think the church misrepresents God if we don't believe He heals anymore today and act it out in practice?
4. Quote: **Start by stepping out in faith by laying hand on sick people, anointing them and praying the prayer of faith over them.**  
As a SG take some time out, ask if there is any sick person in SG tonight and pray as above or as the Holy Spirit leads – expecting a result! Don't just stop first time around!