

FAITH FOR HEALING

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INTRODUCTION:

Healing was a major part of Jesus' ministry. The force that moved Him to heal the sick was compassion (**MAT. 14:14**). Jesus is just as compassionate today as He was then. Why then aren't more people healed? **HOSEA 4:6** provides insight. We need to know that healing belongs to us and how to receive it by faith.

THE IMPORTANCE OF FAITH

1. Without faith, the gospel benefits no one (**HEB. 4:1-2**).
 - A. Every grace of the gospel is accessed by faith (**ROM. 5:1-2**): salvation (**EPH. 2:8**), spirit baptism (**GAL 3:14**), healing (**MK. 5:34**).
2. Without faith, we can't receive from God (**JAMES 1:5-8**).
 - A. God requires faith on our part to receive what He's provided.
 - B. It pleases Him when we walk in faith (**HEB. 11:6**). It means we trust Him and believe in His integrity.
3. Faith comes by hearing God's Word (**ROM. 10:17**).
 - A. If we hear wrong, our faith will be wrong.
 - **ACTS 14:7-10** What he heard produced faith to be healed.
 - **MK. 5:25-34** What she heard produced faith to be healed.
 - B. **MT. 13:15** Healing involves our ears, eyes, heart and mind; our hearing, seeing, believing and changing.
 - **PR. 4:20-22** God wants our full attention: to listen to, think about, and believe what He says. Doing so produces life and health.
4. Faith makes prayer work (**MT. 21:22**).
 - A. **MK. 11:22-24**
 - Jesus teaches what faith in God looks like (**22**).
 - Faith believes what it says comes to pass (**23**).
 - Faith believes it receives the moment it asks, and before it sees any physical results (**24**).
 - Faith doesn't say "God is going to heal me".
 - B. **HEB. 11:1 (AMPC)** Faith says "I prayed; God heard me; therefore, I call myself healed no matter what I do or don't see."
 - **2 COR. 4:17-18** Faith focuses on what is not seen and refuses to let what is seen to discourage it.
 - **NUM. 13:25-33** All twelve saw the same thing. Ten allowed what they saw to doubt God. Two looked beyond what they saw and believed God was able get them into the land. **NUM. 14:28**
 - Faith believes it receives it in its invisible form, which enables it to manifest in its visible form.
 - **JOHN 20:24-29**
5. Every believer has faith (**ROM. 12:3**).
 - A. Faith is released through our words (**2 COR. 4:13**).
 - B. Faith is released through our actions (**JAMES 2:25-26**).
 - C. **HEB. 6:11-15** Promises are received through faith and patience.

CONCLUSION: Every believer has been given the measure of faith. To be effective, we must release our faith through words and actions. God always responds to words spoken in faith.