

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS GIFTS #9

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1 COR. 12:9-10a

Our focus is on the last two Power Gifts: Gifts of Healings, and Working of Miracles.

Sickness and Loyalty

One of the biggest challenges we face in life is sickness. **JOB 2:4-5 MSG** Satan knows that sickness can challenge our loyalty to God. He attacks our health to get us to curse God. Thankfully, Job's loyalty ran deeper than his health.

The Message

IS. 53:4-5 HCSB Healing is in the atonement and the covenant right of every believer. **NU. 21:7-9**

The Methods

Agreement (**MT. 18:19**), laying on of hands (**MK. 16:18**), speaking to it (**MK. 11:23**), believing Prayer (**MK. 11:24**), prayer cloths (**ACTS 19:11-12**), anoint with oil (**JAMES 5:14-15**).

Gifts of Healings

1.) What it's not.

- A.) Christian Science, mind over matter or denying the reality of sickness.
- B.) Medical Science or natural healing.

2.) What it is.

- A.) A supernatural manifestation of the Spirit of God in the sphere of sickness. It's plural because there are different classes of diseases.
 - * During the healing revival (1947-1958), many ministers compared notes and discovered their gift was more effective in dealing with specific diseases: deaf, blind, growths, tumors, muscle or nerve disorders.
 - * Katherine Kuhlman, Kenneth Hagin, Oral Roberts, and others were mightily used.

Working of Miracles

1.) What it's not.

- A.) Miracles of science. Science is man using natural intellect to deal with natural laws. Landing on the Moon was considered a miraculous event. A miracle drug is not a miracle. Miracle whip is not a miracle.
- B.) Wonder of nature: A beautiful sunset, Grand Canyon, or even the birth of a child, may be considered miraculous in a general sense. But, they're not supernatural.

2.) What it is.

- A.) A manifestation of the Spirit by which a supernatural intervention by God occurs in the ordinary course of nature.

Biblical Examples

1.) Old Testament.

- A.) **EX. 7:9-12**, Rod into serpent; **EX. 8:16-18** Dust into lice; **EX. 14:21-22** Red Sea parted; **2 KGS. 4:1-7** Oil multiplied.

2.) New Testament.

- A.) **JOHN 2:7-11** Water into wine; **JOHN 6:11-14** Bread and Fish multiplied; **MARK 4:39** A storm stops; **MT. 14:26-32** Walking on water.

3.) The Indonesian Revival: Many miracles, signs and wonders took place to convince the people that Jesus is Lord of all.

- A.) Walking on Water - while village saved.
- B.) Monsoon Season - invisible umbrella, fire consumes statues, and many more!