

by Laurie Jean Ellis

There are multiple scriptures communicating God's desire for His children to be in good health. It is recorded in scripture over and over again that God is a God of healing. In fact, there are 141 scriptures in the Bible about God's desire to heal His children and healings that took place.

SCRIPTURES ABOUT BELIEVING

As you read about healings that took place in the Bible, you will notice that in most cases, the individual needing healing, had a part to play to receive God's healing. Read Mathew 9:20-22. This is the record about the woman, who was diseased with an issue of blood (bleeding disorder) for 12 years. She believed if she touched Jesus' garment, she would be whole (healed). When she touched Jesus' garment, he turned and said to her, "Daughter, be of good comfort; your faith [believing] has made you whole." Believing is a verb. Verbs are action words. Believing the accurate word of God and acting on it, produces results. But don't take my word for it. Go to the word of God, and see it for yourself.

Mark 9:23

Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." NKJV

Romans 10:10a

For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, NKJV

NOTE – Believing comes from the heart. It is not a thought in the brain but a conviction from the heart.

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith [believing], not by sight or appearance [We regulate our lives and conduct ourselves by our convictions or belief respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, with trust and holy fervor; thus we walk.] AMPC

NOTE - Believing is not based on something we see in this physical world in the present day. It is based on a confidence, with trust and holy passion, respecting our relationship to God and divine things.

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. NKJV

NOTE – Faith is the substance of an intense, positive expectation for what is unseen. Faith is not based on what we see, hear, taste, feel, or smell. Faith is not senses related. It is spiritual, not mental.

1 John 5:14-15

14-Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask according to His will, He hears us.

15-And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions [detailed requests] that we have asked of Him. NKJV

NOTE – How do we know God's will? God inspired prophets and apostles to record His word in written form so that we would be able to read about God's will (desire) for us (His children) (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21). You see, "God's word is His will." So we can learn about and know God's will for our lives, our health and His desire for us to receive healing, when we read and meditate upon His word.

Romans 10:17

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. NKJV

NOTE - Faith comes from the quickening power of God's word to your holy spirit.

Matthew 17:20b

I say to you, if you have faith [believing] as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. NKJV

NOTE - The size of believing is not what produces results, but purity of believing reaps results. Pure believing the size of a mustard seed can make the impossible, possible.

James 1:6

Only it must be in **faith [believing]** that he asks with no wavering **(no hesitating, no doubting)**. For the one who waivers is like the billowing surge out of the sea that is blown hither and thither and tossed by the wind. AMPC NOTE - James gives us more details about pure believing. Believing that produces results must be without hesitating or doubting. It must be 100% pure believing.

Matthew 13:58

Now He [Jesus] did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief. NKJV

NOTE — When Jesus came to his own country to minister to the people, there was much unbelief surrounding Jesus. This unbelief stopped the mighty works that Jesus would have done in their midst. Unbelief places more value on the five senses, logic, and the words of others, than on God's word.

Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication [detailed request], with thanksgiving, let your requests be made know to God; NKJV

NOTE – Anxiousness is a type of fear. Fear is the opposite of faith and believing. It is negative believing and unbelief. This scripture is telling us, don't be anxious or fearful, but instead confidently go to God with your detailed prayer requests and with thanksgiving.

James 5:16b

The effective, fervent [passionate, intense, constant] prayer of a righteous man avails [to have power] much. NKJV NOTE – <u>James 5</u> gives us more details about effective prayer. The passionate, intense, consistent prayers of a righteous man (person) releases much power. Who is the righteous man? You are righteous in Christ, if you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and savior, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you are saved and you are legally made righteous in Christ - see <u>Romans 9:9-10</u> and <u>Philippians 3:9</u>.

Matthew 18:20

"Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them." NKJV

NOTE – Let's summarizes these verses from <u>1 John 5</u>, <u>Philippians 4</u>, <u>James 5</u>, and <u>Matthew 18</u>. When two believers on earth agree on a detailed prayer request, which is according to God's will (God's word), and they consistently confidently, passionately, intensely, pray with thanksgiving, the prayer request will be done for them by God the Father in heaven. Reread this statement and take time to ponder the depth of what it is saying. This is powerful – straight from God's wonderful word.

HEALING SCRIPTURES

Reading God's word about His desire (will) for you to be healed, is a wonderful way to build up your believing for healing.

Exodus 15:26b

For I am the Lord that heals you. NKJV

Psalms 30:2

O Lord my God, I cried out to You, And You healed me. NKJV

Psalms 103:1-5

- 1-Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name!
- 2-Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits:
- 3-Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases,
- 4-Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
- 5-Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. NKJV NOTE 'Renewed like the eagle's' is a reference to an eagle of the Orient, who divebombs into deep water to knock off old and useless feathers. The result is that the eagle comes out of the water lighter and stronger.

Psalms 107:20

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. KJV

Psalms 147:3

He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds. NKJV

Isaiah 53:4-5

4-Surely He [Jesus Christ] has borne our griefs [sicknesses] And carried away our sorrows [pains]; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.

5-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 [wounds] we are **healed**. NKJV

Isaiah 58:11

The Lord will guide you continually, And satisfy your soul in drought, And **strengthen your bones**; You shall be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. NKJV

Jeremiah 17:14

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved, for You are my praise. NKJV

Jeremiah 30:17a

For I will restore health to you, and I will heal your wounds, says the Lord, NKJV

Jeremiah 33:6

6-Behold, I will bring it **health and healing**; I will **heal** them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth. NKJV

Romans 8:11

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give **life to your mortal bodies** through His Spirit who dwells in you. NKJV

3 John 2

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and **be in health**, just as your soul prospers. NKJV NOTE - Just take a moment and mediate on this verse. God wants us to prosper, not just in a few things or in many things, but in ALL things and **be in health**. God doesn't want His kids sick! He wants us healed and healthy!!

Matthew 8:16-17

16-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,

17-that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities [feebleness of body or mind; weakness] And bore our sicknesses." NKJV

1 Peter 2:24

who Himself [Jesus] bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness – by whose stripes [wounds] you were **healed**. NKJV

GOD IS GOOD

James 1:17

Every good and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. NKJV

NOTE - Wow! Every good and perfect gift is from God the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation. The word variation means "change" in Greek. God does not change. He is a consistent God. He consistently gives us good and perfect gifts. The last part of this verse tells us that God does not cast a shadow. Why? Because He is "the Father of lights." God is so good and holy that He emits an intensely brilliant light (see <u>Exodus 34:29-35</u>).

Ephesians 3:20

Now unto Him (God) who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that woks in us, NKJV

NOTE - In this verse we learn that God is able to do for us, **ALL** that we ask or think. That's a lot, but that's not all! He is able to do ...

... exceedingly abundantly above all ...

... that we ask or think. Wow, can you even wrap your head around how much God is able to do for us. Here's the thing about our God ... what God is able to do, He is willing to do! We have a good and loving God!

HEALING SCRIPTURES FROM THE GOSPELS

Jesus Christ came to do his father's will. We can see this written in <u>John 5:30a,c</u> "I can of Myself do nothing ... because I do not seek my own will but the will of the Father who sent me." NKJV

Jesus speaks and acts according to His Father's authority. <u>John 12:45-47,49</u> "And he who sees Me (Jesus) sees Him (God) who sent me. I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness. And if anyone hears my words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent me gave Me my command, what I should say and what I should speak." NKJV

Here is a chart of scriptures with records of Jesus healing people time and time again. Jesus never denied healing to anyone. In these scriptures we see Jesus speaking and acting according to His Father's authority and doing His Father's will.

Healing Record	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Healing of the nobleman's son				4:46-54
Demonic healed on the sabbath day		1:21-28	4:31-37	
Peter's mother-in-law cured, plus others	8:14-17	1:29-34	4:38-41	
Leper healed	8:1-4	1:40-45	5:12-16	
Paralytic healed	9:1-8	2:1-12	5:17-26	
Lame man healed				5:1-47
Withered hand healed	12:9-14	3:1-6	6:6-11	
Multitudes healed	12:15-21	3:7-12	6:17-19	
Centurion's servant healed	8:5-13		7:1-10	
Raises widow's son from dead			7:11-17	
Gadarene demonic healed	8:28-34	5:1-20	8:26-39	
Mute demonic healed	9:32-34			
Two blind men's sight restored	9:27-31			
Jairus's daughter raised from the dead	9:18-26	5:21-43	8:40-56	
Woman with hemorrhage healed				
Sick of Gennesaret healed	14:34-36	6:53-56		
Afflicted healed	15:29-31	7:31-37		
Blind man healed	16:5-12	8:14-26		
Epileptic healed	17:14-21	9:14-29	9:37-42	
Man born blind healed				9:1-41
Healed man with dropsy			14:1-24	
Heals ten lepers			17:12-19	
Blind Bartimaeus healed		10:46-52	18:35-43	

RESOURCES

AMPC - Amplified Classic 1987	KJV – King James Version	Strongest Strongs Concordance
Brown-Driver-Briggs Lexicon	NKJV – New King James Version	Thayer's Lexicon (Greek)
Easton Bible Dictionary	Smiths Bible Dictionary	Websters Dictionary 1828