

6. Divine Healing in God's Covenant

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We're studying divine healing in God's covenant that He established with us.

God makes covenants with His people & He enshrines certain blessings within those covenants, so we can have faith, confidence & certainty about His promises. This includes His promises on healing.

God heals people, not randomly, but based on His covenant promises.

Summary points of last week's message

1. A blind man was healed as he "went and washed"
2. A young girl was set free as her mother spoke words of faith
3. A Centurion got his servant healed because he spoke words of faith

A. The woman with the issue of blood is healed

Mark 5:25–34 (NKJV) *Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years, 26 and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. 28 For she said, "if only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well." 29 Immediately the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that **she was healed of the affliction.** 30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in Himself that power had gone out of Him, turned around in the crowd and said, "Who touched My clothes?" 31 But His disciples said to Him, "You see the multitude thronging You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?' " 32 And He looked around to see her who had done this thing. 33 But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth. 34 And He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction."*

- This woman had suffered from a female health problem for 12 years
- She had exhausted all her options from conventional medicine, and still, her health was steadily getting worse

- Luke 8:43 says that she had spent all her money on many physicians and could not be healed by any
- She was incurable (Chronic illness)
- One day she heard reports about Jesus and decided to find Him & come near Him to touch His clothes
- According to the Torah (Law of Moses), because of her condition, she was considered / deemed ceremonially unclean, which excluded her from normal social interaction
- She wasn't supposed to be in the company of others (set apart)
- Yet she was desperate, and had faith to be healed, so she came behind Jesus in the crowd, and touched His clothes
- **Vs.28** *For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well"*

Mark 5:28 (NET) *For **she kept saying**, "If only I touch his clothes, I will be healed."*

- In her mind, the "if" was concerning touching, not concerning healing
- She said: "If" I can touch, I "will" be healed
- She had a persistent, strong & unwavering faith confession
- When she touched Jesus' garment, power went out from Jesus & she was instantly healed of her affliction
- At the same time, also Jesus perceived that power went out from Him
- So He asked: Who touched My clothes?
- His disciples said to Him: "You see the multitude thronging You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'"
- Vs.33...the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came & fell down before Him & told Him the whole truth
- **Vs.34** He said to her, "**Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction**"
- Instead of scolding her for breaking the Law of Moses, He commended her for her faith and pronounced her healed

Notice four keys to the woman's healing:

- She heard
- She came
- She touched
- She said

Also, notice how Jesus was touched by multiple people in the throng

- Yet it wasn't until she touched Jesus that the power went out from Him
- Others touched Him because of the throng (maybe because of curiosity)
- But she touched Him with the touch of faith

B. Two blind men are healed

Matthew 9:27–31 (NKJV) *When Jesus departed from there, **two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us!”** 28 And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, **“Do you believe that I am able to do this?”** They said to Him, **“Yes, Lord.”** 29 Then He touched their eyes, saying, **“According to your faith let it be to you.”** 30 And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, **“See that no one knows it.”** 31 But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country.*

- After raising Jairus' daughter from the dead, Jesus departed from there
- Two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us”
- Jesus seemingly ignored them & carried on walking into the house where He was staying
- They followed Him & He said: “Do you believe that I am able to do this?”
- Seemingly He was probing for faith by saying: Do you believe?
- They said: Yes, Lord
- Then He touched their eyes & said: According to your faith let it be to you
- And their eyes were opened

Notice four keys to these blind men's healing:

- They cried out to Jesus and called Him “Son of David”
- (The term “Son of David” is reference to “the Messiah” [the Christ])
- They knew that the Messiah could open the eyes of the blind (Luke 4:18)
- After Jesus walked past them, they came to Him (persistence)
- When questioned about their faith for healing, they said: Yes, Lord