



The Gifts of Healing

Matthew 9:35-36 RSV

35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity. **36** When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Definition of the Gifts of Healing:

The gift of the Holy Spirit whereby he uses believers to bring healing to others.

The Holy Spirit can heal us through members of the Body of Christ either
Physically, Emotionally or Spiritually.

There are two things for which those in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR) are known: the joy that comes from praising God and the gifts of healing. Father Gabrielle Armorth (the chief exorcist for Pope John Paul II) once said that it is the CCR that is keeping the healing and deliverance ministry alive in the Church. You might struggle with the gift of tongues, but when you are sick and you know that the Charismatics have faith for your healing, you will even open yourself to someone using the gift of tongues to bring forth your blessing of health!

The belief that God heals is central to Catholicism. How can this be said? Healing is central because: it is central to the ministry of Jesus and the Apostles; the Holy Spirit established the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; one of the proofs used for proclaiming a Saint is the healing that are worked through their intercession; most of the major places of pilgrimage are also places of healing (Lourdes, France is the most visited place on the planet because it is a shrine of healing).

Unfortunately, our lives are broken in many ways. There are three ways that the Holy Spirit uses the gift of healing:

- 1) Physical Healing
- 2) Emotional Healing
- 3) Spiritual Healing

Emotional Healing

Emotional healing is the healing the hurts of the heart. These wounds manifest in scared memories. Forgiveness is at the core of this ministry. Most people have chosen forgiveness, but are in need of healing the wound that has been caused by the hurt. Sometimes these wounds break forth in physical sickness. When this is the case it is necessary to first mend the heart and then healing breaks forth into the body.



Spiritual Healing

Spiritual healing, also known as Deliverance Ministry, is a matter of setting people free from demonic attachments and strongholds. In this ministry spiritual warfare is employed. This type of healing seeks the root of the problem which may be generational curses, sinful bondages, and actual occult curses. In this healing ministry discernment is needed to ascertain if the person is suffering from obsession, oppression or possession. Only designated priest are to deal with possession.

Physical Healing

This is probably the way most people think of healing. Jesus came to reverse the curse which involves sin, sorrow and suffering.

**Healing is at the Core
for ministering the Gospel of Jesus**

Healing of Jesus:

The Nobleman's Son (Jn 4:46).
The Man with an Unclean Spirit (Mk 1:21, Lk 4:31).
Simon Peter's Mother-in-Law (Matt 8:14, Mk 1:29, Lk 4:38).
The Healing of the Leper (Matt 8:1, Mk 1:40, Lk 5:12).
The Healing of the Paralytic (Matt 9:1, Mk 2:1, Lk 5:17).
The Man at Bethesda pool (Jn. 5:2).
The Man with the Withered Hand (Matt 12:9, Mk 3:1, Lk 6:6).
The Centurion's Servant (Matt 8:5; Lk 7:2)
Widow's Deceased Son (Lk 7:11)
Demoniacs at Gadara (Matt 8:28; Mk 5:1; Lk 8:26)
Woman with the Issue of Blood (Matt 9:20; Mk 5:25; Lk 8:43)
Jairus's Deceased Daughter (Matt 9:18; Mk 5:21; Lk 8:40)
Two Blind Men (Matt 9:27)
Mute, Possessed Man (Matt 9:32)
Daughter of Canaanite (Matt 15:21; Mk 4:24)
Deaf Man with Impediment (Mk 7:32)
Blind Man at Bethsaida (Mk 8:22)
Epileptic Boy (Matt 17:14; Mk 9:14; Lk 9:37)
Man Born Blind (Jn 9:1)
Man, Blind, Dumb, Possessed (Matt 12:22; Lk 11:14)
Woman Bent Double (Lk 13:10)
Man with Dropsy (Lk 14:1)
Lazarus (Jn 11:11)
Ten Lepers (Lk 17:11)
Blind Bartimaeus (Matt 20:29; Mk 10:45; Lk 18:35)
Malchus (Lk 22:50)

Scriptures to Increase YOUR Faith for Healing:

Ex 15:26	Mt 10:8
Ps 103:1-4	Mt 14:14
Ps 107:20	Lk 6:19
Is 53:5	Lk 9:6
Is 58:8	Lk 10:8-9
Jer 17:14	Js 5:14-16
Jer 30:17	Rev 22:2
Jer 33:6	
Mal 4:2	
Mt 4:23	
Mt 7:7-11	
Mt 8:16	
Mt 9:35	
Mt 10:1	
Mt 21:22	

Resources:

Healing by Francis MacNutt
Deliverance from Evil Spirits by Francis MacNutt
Unbound by Neal Lozano

Personal Reflection

What do these scriptures teach about healing?

Matthew 11: -6:

Matthew 10: -8:

John 14:12-14:

Mark 16:15-18

Acts 4:23-31:



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