Doctrine of Healing

These Also Were Healed

1. The prayers of the righteous for the healing of others might be honored as God answered the prayers of Abraham for Abimelech or Hezekiah prayed for the people of Israel.

   - Genesis 20:17 So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.
   - 2 Chronicles 30:20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.

2. According to the Law of Moses those who had been injured by someone were to receive compensation during the healing process.

   - Exodus 21:19 If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be quit: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed.

3. Many dangerous and deadly diseases such as leprosy in biblical times, or cancer in modern times can be cured by the grace of God through natural healing or through the use of medicine and advancement of science.

   - Leviticus 13:18 The flesh also, in which, even in the skin thereof, was a boil, and is healed,
   - Leviticus 13:37 But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and that there is black hair grown up therein; the scall is healed, he is clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

4. The priests were responsible for the physical health of the nation of Israel. So the church today should be involved in the healing process.

   - Leviticus 14:3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;
   - Leviticus 14:48 And if the priest shall come in, and look upon it, and, behold, the plague hath not spread in the house, after the house was plaistered: then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, because the plague is healed.

5. The Philistines were healed when they returned the Ark of the Covenant to Israel.

   - 1 Samuel 6:3 And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not empty; but in any wise return him a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.
6. Elisha performed a miracle of healing by casting salt into a body of spring water.

- 2 Kings 2:21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land. 22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

7. The Psalmist declared that he was healed in answer to prayer.

- Psalms 30:2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

8. God heals by the power of His word.

- Psalms 107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

9. The death of Christ becomes the basis for divine healing.

- Isaiah 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.
- 1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

10. There is a counterfeit healing ministry that must be recognized.

- Jeremiah 6:14 They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.
- Jeremiah 8:11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.
- Revelation 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.
- Revelation 13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

11. The saint that cries out to the Lord for healing does so knowing that if God heals and if He saves it is for His honor and His glory.

- Jeremiah 17:14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.
12. Through pain and suffering it is possible for heathen nations to be converted.

- Jeremiah 51:8 Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so she may be healed.

13. Through pain and suffering it is possible for heathen nations to be judged by God.

- Ezekiel 30:21 Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.

14. As God heals individuals so He heals the source of disease such as polluted water supplies.

- Ezekiel 47:8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed. 9 And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

15. There is a principle of cursing by association. Much poor health can be traced to association with nations under the judgment of God.

- Hosea 7:1 When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, and the troop of robbers spoileth without.

16. The world stands amazed when divine healing takes place and the skeptics are silenced.

- Acts 3:11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

- Acts 4:14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

17. The power and authority of the church to heal has not passed away with time.

- Acts 5:16 There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

18. Much physical sickness has its origin in the demonic world.

- Acts 8:7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.
19. Sometimes faith is necessary in order for healing to take place.

- Acts 14:9 *The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,*

20. Sometimes faith is not necessary in order for healing to take place but only the power of God.

- Acts 28:8 *And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.*

21. The grace of God in healing is indiscriminate.

- Acts 28:9 *So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:*

22. The church is commanded to pray for one another for healing.

- James 5:16 *Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*