The Healing Miracles Of The Lord Jesus Christ

The Bible is full of miracles that Jesus did, for He came to destroy the work of the devil which causes sicknesses to mankind. Jesus triumphed over Satan when He shed His blood and died on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins, and He rose from the dead on the third day to give eternal life to those who believe in Him.

As we read the Bible we learn principles that we can apply in our daily walk with God. He commanded us to *go and heal*, as the following scriptures teaches us:-

1) Casting out the evil spirits: Sickness can be caused by evil spirits, and for healing to be initiated the evil spirit must be cast out. Let us read the following about a man who came to Jesus asking help for his son who was possessed by an evil spirit. "Jesus asked the boy's father, "how long he has been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. but if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us." "If you can?" Jesus said. "Everything is possible for him who believes." Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief?" When Jesus saw a crowd was running to the scene, He rebuked the evil spirit, "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up. After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer." (Mark 9:21-27) Jesus healed this boy by casting the evil spirit out of his body. Jesus had given us authority to do that as He promised us, "I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you." (Luke 10:19)

2) Prayer for healing: Jesus promised those who believe the following: "They will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well." (Mark 16:18b) In application to this let us read this miracle of Jesus: "They came to Bethsaida, and some people brought a blind man and begged Jesus to touch him. He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village. When He had spits on the man's eyes and <u>put His hands on him</u>, Jesus asked, "Do you see anything?" He looked up and said, "I see people; they look like trees walking around." <u>Once more Jesus put His hands on the man's eyes</u>. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly." (Mark 8:22-25) Healing process in certain occasions it is a gradual process that will take sometime. What we need to do is to continue pray and to obey Jesus' instructions by laying hands on the sick and pray.

3) Teach the Word of God to those whom Jesus healed: During and after the process of healing we need to teach and build up the person who is sick with the Word of God. Otherwise after healing if they would not be taught the Word of God sickness will return back to them. Let us read what Jesus said about this matter: "When an evil spirit comes

out of a man, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left.' When it arrives, it finds the house swept clean

and put it in order. Then it goes and takes seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of that man is worst than the first." (Luke 11:24-26) So we should make follow up for any person who had received healing from Jesus and continue to teach him the Word of God.

4) Teach those who are healed to follow Jesus: Let us read this miracle: "Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and His disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (that is, the Son of Timaeus), was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road." (Mark 10: 46-52) This blind after he received his sight he continued to follow the Lord Jesus Christ and this is what we need to do. The Lord Jesus said, "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them and they will follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28) The Lord Jesus Christ will not only give healing but He promised eternal life to those who follow Him. We should teach the people not only to listen to Jesus and receive from Him blessings but as well as to follow Him and obey His commands as He instructed us. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28: 19-20)

5) To be filled with the Holy Spirit: The ultimate work of God in any believer is to be filled with the Holy Spirit. God's will for you is to be filled with the Holy Spirit of God. "Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Ephesians 5:18-20)

My dear and beloved: "All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17) God wants to equip us with His Word so we can do His work as we agree to pray:

My prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and raised from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord guide me with Your Word and empower me by the gift of the Holy Spirit to go on and heal the sick and

teach them Your Word and instruct them to follow you in their lives. Thank you Lord, this is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.