

Introduction:

- There are certain things that must be present for an individual to receive their healing from God.
 - I want to share those with you.
- I am not presenting them in a step one, step two format. IE Learning to shoot a rifle. Are there certain steps to learning to shoot a rifle? Yes. But when it come to actually pulling the trigger many things are happening at once that have to become second nature. How you handle the gun, stance, breathing, how you pull the trigger, sighting, etc.
 - Receiving your healing is much this way. There are basics that you have to know, but when it comes time to 'pull the trigger' on receiving your healing many things are in motion to make it happen.

I. To Receive Your Healing Have To Know What the Bible Teaches

- A. If you are to receive your healing supernaturally from God you have to know what God has said about it. Anywhere I have ever been in the world healings have always followed the preaching and or teaching of the Word. Whether on mass scale or one on one. The sick person must know what God has said about their healing.
1. FF Bosworth, *"It is impossible to boldly claim by faith a blessing which we are not certain that God offers, because the power of God can only be claimed where the will of God is known!"* pp.80 Christ The Healer. *"Faith begins where the will of God is known."* pp.81 Ibid.
 2. To receive by faith you have to know that God 'will heal' not 'can heal.'
- B. IE. An example from the Word. Numbers 21:8. When Israel sinned and were being bitten by serpents and dying, God said to Moses to make a brass serpent and put it on a pole. *"all who look at it will live."* Look, Heb. ra a - to look, to see, to inspect. It means to gaze at or spend time looking at. It is not a casual glance. It means to be occupied with or to give attention to.
1. My former understanding of this passage / or how I pictured it working in my own imagination; is that people would get bit, come running, look at the bronze serpent on the pole and be healed. And I am sure there were some that is how it happened. But in light of this Word, (look), I have changed my picture of this passage. Some people may have had to spend quality time at the pole getting healed so that they would grasp the concept of how God heals and most of all EX 15:26 *"saying, "If you will diligently listen to the voice of the Lord your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, your healer.""* (Exodus 15:26, ESV)
 2. Ex 15:26 we meet Jehovah Rapha...The Lord God Our Healer. Covenant name of God.
 3. All of this speaks of giving attention to what God has said!
- C. The Word of God is like a seed. It has to be planted in the heart. Ps 107:20 *He sent His Word!*
1. And when planted in the heart it gives us expectation, which is another definition of looking. It can also be translated as 'consider'. Abraham did not consider his body (which

was as good as dead) nor his wife Sarah's body which was old...He considered...He looked at...He was pre-occupied with the Word/what God had said.

2. And he remained steadfast there! Not considering his body.
- D. Don't be ignorant of what God has provided. And do not hold onto wrong teaching and traditions that make God's word of no effect.

II. Where The Word Is Known Faith Arises

- A. Faith is not just expecting that God will do something but it is knowing He will do so.
 1. *"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."* (Hebrews 11:1, ESV) The evidence of things not seen. With my optical nerves, "faith is the evidence of things not seen." But with my enlightened eyes, the eyes of my understanding "faith is the evidence of things seen!"
 2. Therefore I walk by faith with a sight of a better kind! We see, with eyes of faith, things that are invisible! I.e. Moses: *"By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible."* (Hebrews 11:27, ESV)
 - a) He became strong and endured steadfastly by seeing with his eyes of faith.
 - b) He saw Him who is invisible!
 - c) Faith sees God! It sees Calvary, the cross where disease and sin were cancelled!
- B. We are talking about how to receive your healing.
 1. You have to know what God has said.
 2. Your faith must be active to see and receive.
 1. Faith refuses to see anything but God and what He has said. This is what Abraham did. Ro. 4:19-20.
 2. He did not consider his body and what it was saying. He considered only what God had said.
 3. Real faith is occupied, looking at, gazing at who God is and what He has said.
 4. And real faith acts on what it believes.

III. Be Persistent And Do Not Be Discouraged

- A. This is not easy but it must be done. Luke 18:35-ff.
 1. Bartimaeus cried out to Jesus. The crowd told him to be quiet. And when they did, he cried out all the more. The devil will pick out people to pester you 'shut up' so you will not receive.
 2. He would not give in or give up! Have you ever noticed that when the anointing come often opposition comes as well? Well, "Great is He that is in me than He that is in the world!"
 3. Luke 18:1 The persistent widow. This parable is not about God's reluctance but about our persistence. Get justice for me.

IV. Know your covenant rights! (see May 26, 2021; How is Healing In Redemption)

- A. *"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,*

who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." (Psalm 103:1-5, ESV)

1. Who forgives
 2. who heals
 3. who redeems from death
 4. who crowns with love and mercy
 5. Who satisfies with good
- B. Know what is yours in Christ Jesus and be persistent in apprehending them!

V. Don't trust your senses—trust God.

- A. *"But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me.""* (Matthew 14:30, ESV)

VI. Be stable and don't rock your own boat. Don't be double minded. Be single minded. James 1:6-7

- A. *"But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;"* (James 1:6-7, ESV)
- B. Remember our gun illustration at the start. If you are unstable will you hit your target? No, you have to relax, breath, do the basics.
- C. Eliminate the 'if' word!

VII. Maintain a right relationship with God. Obedience, clear conscience.

Conclusion: Let's receive our healing now.