

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1435: Are Christians Today Really Capable of Healing People or Speaking in Tongues? (Part II)

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New Testament Healing:

1. What, if anything, was required of those Jesus healed? (Matthew 4:23-24, 8:16-17)
2. Jesus' healing fulfilled which Old Testament prophecy, and why was that significant?
3. Describe the few occasions when faith played a role in healing. What made these cases different? (Matthew 9:22, 15:28, Mark 10:52, Luke 17:19) How were these individuals rewarded differently from the many others Jesus healed?
4. Who were the God-sanctioned healers during Jesus' earthly ministry, and what authority were they given? What message accompanied their healing work? How did the healings support and validate that message? (Matthew 10:1,5-8, Luke 10:1,8-9)
5. After Pentecost, who healed besides the apostles, and under what circumstances? Were there a lot of healings during the early church? What does that suggest? What might this limited pattern of healing indicate for our Christian walk today?
6. List, in order of importance, the structure of the positions and gifts of the body of Christ. Where does healing fall in that order? (1 Corinthians 12:27-28,31)

New Testament Speaking in Tongues:

7. What was the purpose for the gift of tongues in the New Testament? Describe the recorded instances and identify the three common elements they share. (Acts 10:44-47, 19:6-7)
8. What does Paul mean by "a still more excellent way," and how does it relate to the spiritual gifts? (1 Corinthians 12:28-31, 13:1-2, 14:1-4,17-19)
9. What was the purpose of the gift of tongues? How does Scripture show its use has ended? (1 Corinthians 13:8-11)
10. How do the prophecies in Isaiah, Revelation, Habakkuk and Zephaniah help us understand "that which is perfect" in 1 Corinthians 13:10? How did the gifts of healing and tongues give us a beautiful glimpse of God's future kingdom? (Isaiah 35:5-6, Revelation 21:4, Habakkuk 2:14, Zephaniah 3:9)