

School of Healing

Healing & the Revelatory Gifts

Review: Jesus is the Healer. When ministering He only did what He saw the Father doing. Jesus is our model.

John 5:19 Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner. NASU see also John 8:28

Jesus' healing ministry began after He was:

1. Baptized, filled, and affirmed Luke 3:21-22
2. Tested in the wilderness where He fasted and prayed
3. Filled with power of the Holy Spirit
4. Anointed for ministry Luke 4:1-19

I believe the disciples of Jesus all went through similar preparation for ministry as did Jesus. This is our protection so that we don't have a Sons of Sceva experience. See Acts 19:14

His message was the message of the Kingdom and it included healing or curing the sick. He gave the disciples authority to proclaim and heal. Luke 4:42; 9:1-2, 11 This authority was passed down to us in John 14:12 and John 17:20. A lifestyle of transformational prayer purifies us so that we can properly exercise this authority.

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The revelatory gifts give us knowledge (gnosis--experiential, present, and fragmentary knowledge). See Luke 11:52. The keys of knowledge referred to there are similar to the keys of the kingdom of heaven in Matthew 16:19. The gifts do not make us mind readers. They do give us the right word for the ministry opportunity.

The gifts come through the Spirit from a God who loves us and equips us to minister like He did Jesus and the Apostles. Healing is the result of God's love coming to us and through us. Transformed (anointed) disciples become the loving extension of His hand.

Acts 4:29 "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word with all confidence, 30 while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus." NASU

We must be attentive to the Holy Spirit to hear or see impressions God wants us to receive and deliver. When someone comes to us for ministry we must not let our souls get in the way of God's Spirit. Otherwise we may miss the scripture, impression, picture, or other prophetic word that is the kingdom key to releasing God's healing into someone. These scriptures, impressions, pictures, or words become words of knowledge, or wisdom to those to whom we minister. They also bring encouragement and edification from God. This means we must rethink how we pray for the lost, sick, and oppressed. Most of our prayer should be listening. Much of our healing ministry will be on the "street". Mike Bickle says we must learn to be supernaturally natural.

Since tongues, without interpretation, is for our edification, its main role in healing may be in intercession.

Discerning of Spirits is a gift that can be helpful in a healing ministry because it helps us to perceive the truth of a situation the way God perceives it. Discerning of spirits can help us tell what is the root cause of someone's illness. Someone may come forward with a physical complaint when the root cause is spiritual, emotional, or demonic. This can impact the way we pray for someone. This gift protects the persons we pray for, and ourselves from deception or error. It helps us to minister to people, without judging them. It enables healing of the whole person, whether their need is conversion, repentance, healing, or deliverance. Discerning of spirits requires maturity, confidentiality, and tact.