



Restore: A Prayer Service

James 5:13-18

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The Bible speaks of asking for prayer for healing. Many Christians wonder if Jesus still heals today. When does He heal; how does He heal? At the end of the service today, we are providing an opportunity to come forward for prayer. First, let's explore what the Bible says about healing.

What are the New Testament References to Healing?

1. Healing was an Essential Part of Jesus' ministry
Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And He healed every kind of disease and illness. Matthew 4:23 (NLT)

Matthew 9:35

2. Healing and Faith go together
 - a. *And so He did only a few miracles there because of their unbelief. Matthew 13:58 (NLT)*
 - b. Matthew 9:27-31
3. Healing is mentioned elsewhere
 - a. Gifts of Healing 1 Corinthians 12:9,28,30
 - b. Three other places:
 - i. Hebrews 12:13

- ii. *He personally carried our sins in His body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By His wounds you are healed. 1 Peter 2:24 (NLT)*

- iii. James 5:13

What are the causes of healing today?

1. Body's own Defenses
2. Medical Intervention
3. Mind over Matter
4. Evil Spirits
5. Miraculous Power of God

What does the Bible say about asking for healing?

- Pray Confidently
Luke 11:9-13 James 4:3
- Ask Spiritual Leaders to pray for you.
James 5:14
- Come in Faith – it's not the Quantity, it's the Object that Matters
And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. James 5:15 (NIV)
Matthew 17:20
- Confess known Sin
Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16 (NIV)
- Keep Trusting in God's love, wisdom and will.

Why are some healed and others not?

Steps to Take....

- Are you in need (emotionally, physically, and/or spiritually)?
- Have you surrendered your life to Jesus?
- Have you confessed and relinquished any known disobedience, unforgiveness?
- Come and be prayed for...