

A Letter received from a fellow believer asking a question about healing...

Dear Heart:

You wrote me a note asking:

Why is healing not as "easy" to get as getting saved? If it is, why don't I have it??

First off, Colossians 2:6 & 7 tells us

⁶ As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk (live) you in him: ⁷ Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Here we find that (in this case - healing) are BOTH received the same way. *Question:* How did you receive Christ Jesus the Lord? By hearing the Word concerning His death, burial, and resurrection in your behalf, right? You heard God's Word concerning the new birth and you received it; you said, "I'll take it, thank you!" BUT I would bet you did not have the assurance of that New Birth for a little while... Satan bombarded your mind with thoughts like, "You aren't saved... just look at you... a Christian wouldn't be doing that," or "A Christian wouldn't be thinking like that." etc... any thing to make you doubt your salvation. I've heard people sometimes say something like: "Why didn't I get born-again, I said all the words" or "I don't feel born-again, therefore I guess I'm not." Physical proof IS NOT involved for Faith.

In all of this, what is Satan trying to do? Get you to BELIEVE something else other than that previous Word you heard when you bowed the knee to Jesus. (James 1:6-8). Double mindedness is up one time, down another. "Yeah, I'm saved." "I guess I'm not saved." "Yeah, I'm saved." "I guess I'm not saved." "Yeah, I'm saved." "I guess I'm not saved." UP/DOWN... Satan trying to take away the SEED (Word) that you received in the beginning - he knows it's easier to dig up seeds than roots.

The same thing happens in all areas of knowledge of God's Word — whether it be salvation, healing, meeting one's needs.... etc. Satan will speak words to you OR your "FEELINGS" come in and say "It's not working!" BOTH contradict The Word. And Satan does this same thing over and over.... trying to make you doubt the reality or truthfulness of God's Word - "Has God said..." — "If you be the son of God..." — "That's not for you..." or even "Feel your body... it's still sick; it's still damaged." He's attempting to dig up The Seed... No Seed, No roots... No Roots, No Harvest.

So the "easiness" of getting the Word to work for oneself is the same... by YOU continually telling (reminding) yourself the TRUTHFULNESS of God's Word to the point where either that satanic voice telling you OR THE NATURAL CIRCUMSTANCES TELLING YOU that YOU don't have it, YOU rise up and say: "YES I DO!" "I am healed not because I can see it, not because I can feel it, I'm not healed because I can feel it... I AM HEALED BECAUSE JESUS BORE MY SICKNESS AND CARRIED MY SORROW, AND BY HIS STRIPES, I AM THE HEALED!"

Recall Isaiah 54:17 "No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of Me, says the LORD."

The King James uses the word "tongue"... meaning voice... so, every VOICE that rises up against you — YOU CONDEMN. YOU condemn that voice (and your "feelings", your "eyesight" are voices as well) YOU must speak to them. YOU must put every thought, every contrary voice to God's Voice to be put down (2 Cor. 10:5) YOU EXALT, YOU MAGNIFY the WORD above those voices. TRUMP!

YOU SUPERSEDE the negative/contrary voices to the promise (Word) of God. Treat that voice as if Satan himself or one of his imps are standing right in front of you saying "You're not gonna get it..." or "Why haven't you got it?" or "You're just trying to convince yourself... and gone to lying." (I have had to fight those very same voices as well).

You're declaring / decreeing "HEALING BE!" and that decree has the power of God behind it to make it come to pass.

Romans 3:3 & 4 states:

³ For what if some did not believe? Shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?

⁴ God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That YOU might be justified in YOUR sayings, and might overcome when YOU art judged.

So what if others (people AND demonic forces) don't believe your testimony (confession)... shall THEY stop the Word from working? Can THEY keep YOU from receiving? Just because you "FEEL" no better, is that "feeling" more powerful than God's Word to heal? NO... UNLESS YOU ALLOW THOSE WORDS/FEELINGS TO TRUMP/SUPERSEDE GOD'S WORD!

Border Patrol, I call it. YOU maintain the LAND (your environment) of your life. YOU either keep the DECREES you speak or you let them slide.... Hebrews 2:1 talks about the possibility of letting things "slip" (slide or escape). You are the controlling voice in your kingdom. That's why we have to continually speak Kingdom Words, Kingdom Laws, Kingdom Principles. The Word of the King is SUPREME. And you are a King... Jesus is the King OF Kings... you / me... we're Kings in the Kingdom of God. We've been translated OUT OF the kingdom of darkness and HAVE BEEN (not gonna be) put in the KINGDOM OF LIGHT — The Kingdom of God's dear Son (Col. 1:13)!!

Look again at that first verse I wrote: ⁶ As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk (live) you in him: ⁷ Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. (Colossians 2). Notice that last part: "... *abounding therein with thanksgiving.*" Reminds me of Abraham over in Romans 4... ¹⁹ And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb: ²⁰ He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, *giving glory to God*; ²¹ And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

BOTH of these give reference to the giving of thanksgiving or that of giving glory to God. It tells me that we ABOUND and stop the STAGGERING (double-mindedness) through the avenue of Thanksgiving - through giving Glory to God.... praise / worship / joyfulness toward God because of His promises... because of His Word. It gives STRENGTH to our faith... like that of Jude 20, praying in the Holy Ghost. In other places we're told... "IN {not "for"} everything give thanks unto God..." (1 Thess. 5:18 / Philip. 4:6 / 2 Cor. 9:11 / Eph. 5:4 & 20 / Col. 3:17 / 2 Thess. 2:13)

Heb. 13:15 — *By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.* Sometimes it is a sacrifice of praise... there are moments when I sure don't "feel" like it, so I force myself like David did in Psalm 103, "Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not ALL His benefits..."

2 Thess. 2:13 & 14 — ¹³ But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: ¹⁴ Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Here we're told that we were chosen through "sanctification of (or by) the Spirit and belief of the Truth" Sanctification means "to separate"... recall John 17:17... "*Sanctify them through thy Truth: thy Word is Truth.*" ~ Jesus. Separated **from** something means we're separated **into** something. Spiritually speaking, at the New Birth, we have been sanctified - or, separated - from the kingdom of darkness (the old nature), and put into the Kingdom of Light (the new nature) and it happens because we BELIEVE the Truth.

We ABOUND (grow stronger) in the things of this new Kingdom - the things of God - by our giving Thanks and Glory to God FOR His decrees of WHO we are, WHAT we have, and What we can do IN and THROUGH the empowerment of the New Birth. — this is our inheritance that Paul makes mention of when he prays those prayers in Ephesians 1 & 3.

Acts 20:32 again Paul, "And now brethren, I commend you to God, and to the Word of His Grace, which is able to **build you up**, and to **give you an inheritance** among all them which are sanctified." (emphasis, mine)

There's two parts to this sanctification or separation, that takes place. The first part is: The WORD sanctifies/separates us - it starts to renew our thinking to the possibilities of us being or having what is promised. In other words, we get informed of the benefits of Jesus' *Last Will and Testament*. We're told of, or about our INHERITANCE. Read the Will; find out what your Father wants you to have. Renew your mind to that which is promised. We are JOINT HEIRS with Jesus... All that He (Jesus) received, is just as much mine as it is His... same with you.

2 Peter 1: 2-4 — ² Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, ³ According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: ⁴ Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

"Through the knowledge..." how do we gain knowledge? By renewing our mind — that is, our natural mind. We have the mind of Christ (1 Cor. 2:16) which is our spirit-man's mind, our spiritual mind. But our natural mind must be brought into agreement with that mind - that's called renewing the (natural) mind. Our spiritual mind (the mind of Christ) doesn't need renewing... it is already renewed by the sanctifying that took place at the New Birth - it's the MIND of Christ given to us via the New Birth. Out with the old, IN with the new.

The second thing (second part) sanctification does is to empower us to do the border patrol and guard what we allow to influence our thinking to produce a godly lifestyle - requires action on our part. Actual manifesting the Harvest of our belief in God's Word. The Word produces EVERY time it is correctly and steadfastly worked.

Your thinking produces thoughts... which produces the mind's will (the natural mind is part of your soul and produces the force called WILL). This in turn, when meditated upon (continual thinking upon) shall eventually come out of the mouth (Mt. 12:34) and YOU can have what you say, believing (Mk. 11:23). Life and Death, Blessing or Curse.... YOU SPEAK THEM INTO EXISTENCE. (Deut. 30:15 & 19)

All this to say, the answer to your question "Why is healing not as "easy" to get as getting saved is?" or more to the point — "Why don't I have it?" is... are YOU fully persuaded that you are healed? Not talking about you being physically healed such that you and others SEE it or you "feel" it... we walk by FAITH and not by sight (not by the senses -- re: the Apostle Thomas). We walk or live by, FAITH - faith comes by the HEARING (you-know-that-you-know... fully persuaded) and that knowledge (full assurance) produces in you the power, the ability to SEE inwardly on the canvas of your heart that you're healed.

Those two things we call eyes (natural sight) or your "feelings" may say otherwise, but **BY THE WORD OF GOD** you see and know The Truth (**THE WORD**). Joshua 1:8 says, "... observe to do..." —you're **SEEING** it enough to get-R-done! and **THAT** revelation **WILL** produce the desired Harvest **EVERY TIME!**

You did, or have done, that concerning the subject of the New Birth. You **KNOW** you're born again. **NO DOUBT**. You got that assurance, that persuasiveness by the same process that is written here to you here by me. **YOU** heard the Truth. **YOU** believed the Truth. **YOU** meditated upon the Truth. **YOU** spoke the Truth. **YOU** started Border Patrol in behalf of the Truth. **YOU** allowed the manifestation of the Truth. **YOU** renewed your mind to the Truth such that **NO ONE** or **NOTHING** can tell you otherwise. **YOU** held fast to the confession of **YOUR** faith (the Word's ability to come to pass, like Abraham in Rom. 4:21) and reaped the result: Born Again.

YOU must speak the same thing as God speaks concerning the subject of Healing. You must believe the Word of Faith concerning Healing. You must Meditate on those promises of God for healing and speak in line with Kingdom policy (principle) concerning Healing. **THEN YOU MUST DO BORDER PATROL** against words, against feelings, against **ANYTHING** to the contrary. Kingdom speech by a Kingdom King (you). (1 Cor. 1:10; Psalm 2:7, declaring the decree; Job 22:28)

KNOWLEDGE (revelation knowledge) is that which makes us free -- not just head knowledge. The transference from head to heart comes through meditation. Thinking upon, speaking upon and refusing any other thought contrary to the Truth to enter in, to contaminate the incorruptible Seed. **YOU** hold fast. **YOU** having done all — **STAND**. The Greater one is in you.

Lie not to the Truth (the Word)... James 3:14. Don't allow words of the enemy's kingdom or sensory perceptions to sway you off of, or out of, **THE KINGDOM OF LIGHT!** (entrance of His Word gives **LIGHT** - Psalm 119)... You're not letting (allowing) God's Word to depart from your mouth (Josh. 1:8); you keep speaking, believing, knowing that you have spoken and the voice of a King causes things to be brought into alignment (agreement) of the Decree!

Well, don't know about you, but I preached myself happy!!

Luv ya much and remember... we're in this **TOGETHER!**

~Larry