



Acts 19:11-12

Faith & Miracles (Part 2)

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Dear friend, I pray that you are prospering in every way and are in good health, just as your whole life is going well (or "just as your soul prospers"). - 3 John 2

John prays for the prosperity of the _____
_____.

This is the confidence we have before him: If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. - 1 John 5:14

John prays for the believer's prosperity because he knows:

- Our prayers are _____.
- Every Christ follower's greatest desire is to become more like Jesus.

Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. - James 1:2-3

...you say, 'I'm rich; I have become wealthy and need nothing,' and you don't realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind, and naked. I advise you to buy from me gold refined in the fire so that you may be rich, white clothes so that you may be dressed and your shameful nakedness not be exposed, and ointment to spread on your eyes so that you may see. As many as I love, I rebuke and discipline. So be zealous and repent.
- Revelation 3:17-19

Some sickness is the result of living in a fallen world, and some is caused by _____.

See Matthew 9:32-33, 12:22, 17:14-18; Mark 5:1-20 for examples of Jesus healing sickness by casting out demons.

In him you also were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and when you believed. - Ephesians 1:13

...the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.
- 1 John 4:4

How can someone enter a strong man's house and steal his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can plunder his house. - Matthew 12:29

"When an unclean spirit comes out of a person, it roams through waterless places looking for rest but doesn't find any. Then it says, 'I'll go back to my house that I came from.' Returning, it finds the house vacant, swept, and put in order. Then it goes and brings with it seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and settle down there. As a result, that person's last condition is worse than the first. - Matthew 12:43-45

Is anyone among you sick? He should call for the elders of the church, and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up; if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is very powerful in its effect. - James 5:14-16

Believers cannot be _____ but they can be _____ by demonic forces.