

# life group study guide

January 18, 2015



## The Healing

I have come that you might have life, and have it to the fullest... John 10:10(b)

-One of my favorite things about Jesus is how he healed. I love the action the book of Mark shows us, one thing after another- never ceasing it seems. Everywhere He went, he healed. In Biblical times these were called miracles--

Q) Are there still healing miracles today?

Q) What kind of healing miracles are these- physical? What?

Q) If some are healed and others “not” why is that so?

Over the years movies, events and non-believers, even false prophets have made different comments and references to healing. Including that you can't be physically healed without truly having a certain level of faith. Or if you are not healed physically it's because of a lack of faith.

Q) Do you believe that to be physically healed requires a certain level of faith or can and does God heal however he pleases, believer or not?

Q) How does your answer or the discussion fit into praying for God to heal someone? Why Pray for physical healing?

Q) When you do pray for physical healing, do you anticipate God actually healing whom you are praying for?

Q) So what is the answer when that doesn't happen?

Q) So if we accept that God can heal with or without one having faith, with or without our prayers, how do we account for those with faith that are not being physically healed?

Q) What do we say to the non-believing world when physical healing doesn't appear?

So throughout his ministry and time on earth Christ performed many miracles, most notably physical healings.

Q) Of all the physical healings we read about, which is the one that speaks to you the most, and why?

Read- MARK 2:1-12

Q) What is the significance of Jesus saying, “Your sins are forgiven...”

Q) Even though the man in the story was healed physically, does the change in words to forgiving sins change the healing discussion?

Q) How so?

Q) What's the real significance to the words “Your sins are forgiven?”

Q) In what ways does God heal that aren't physical?

Q) Overall, were the healings Jesus performed designed to change the physical body or the heart?

Christ did come into the world as the master healer- the great physician- it often appears as if the people are only looking for a physical miracle, so often missing out on the emotional and relational as well as the primary reason for his coming: the spiritual healing that God sent to us through Jesus.

Reflection: How do you keep focused and share with others the reality of the bigger picture of Spiritual healing when those around us, Christians and non-Christians alike are suffering through physical illness.

# ***life group study guide***