

MIRACLES & HEALING IN THE OLD & NEW COVENANT

" *You shall know the truth and the truth will set you free!* " **John 8:32**
Free from sin, Free from sickness, Free from this world.

" *I am the way, the truth and the life, no man comes to the Father except through Me* " **John 14: 36**

" *Therefore, if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed!* " **John 8:36**
Jesus Christ is the one who will do this for you!

" *Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ.*

*For in him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;
And you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power. "* **Colosians 2: 8-9**

Jesus Christ finished all the work of salvation at The Cross. All we have to do is to believe, to walk and live in the finished work, to Follow Him, allow His glory to be manifest in us, and to be led by His Spirit!

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1. INTRODUCTION

Healing from illness and injuries is a topic close to all our hearts - we all need it some time or another! The ultimate sickness is death. Unsurprisingly, eternal life and healing are constant themes embracing both the whole Bible - Old Covenant, and The New Covenant.

The definition of a miracle is that it is an act or event which defies scientific explanation and therefore human comprehension.

In the process of writing, I decided to have a look at healing in context of the whole Bible. The summary "Miracles and Healing in the Old and New Covenant" is the result (see able below). Three simple home truths emerged:

1. **God is almighty.** He made the world and the cosmos, the "heavens and the earth" **Genesis 1:1**. As Creator He defies scientific explanation - He made everything from nothing, then went on to create the cosmos and life itself.

2. **God is a God of miracles.** A belief in The One true God as described in The Holy Bible, means that we believe in miracles. Miracles, to God, are as natural as breathing, drinking, and going to the toilet is for us. We need to see things His way.
3. **God in Jesus Christ works miracles our lives.** He draws us to Him, He wants to live in us, and when we are repentant and broken in spirit and heart before Him, He does His work in us making us like Him. It all boils down to The Cross, and our understanding, (or lack of understanding) that He has finished all that is necessary for our complete salvation of body, soul, and spirit! This includes, of course, enjoying the fruits of being His child and under His total care. "I'm safe and sound!" We must be Christ centered. We must be Cross centered.

A word on why this discussion has been written.

A Christian brother met some friends regularly for lunch in Hong Kong, to share his faith, to encourage other men to get their lives right with God and to know Jesus Christ. I was invited to join this brother at one of the lunches in November 2008. One of his friends gave his life to the Lord. He prayed the sinners prayer of repentance of sins and acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord. There were no facilities to baptise him in Jesus Christ's name. We also prayed for an in-filling of The Holy Spirit as well as deliverance from demonic bondages and for healing of his body. I trust that the contents will help as the new brother-in-the-Lord does his own reading on the work completed at The Cross of Jesus, as well as any others who happen to read this discussion.

Footnote: The word "Covenant" is preferred to "Testament". A Testament is a contract which is made between two people and is effective on the death of the Testator. The Bible is divided into the Old Covenant and New Covenant. Covenant refers to a binding contract, the terms and conditions of which are initiated and established by God in relationship with man. God rewarded Abraham and his descendents Israel with the Temple system and "animal sacrifices" for the remission of sins, and, The Promised Land, Israel. He changed the Old Covenant when Jesus Christ entered into the world to establish a New Covenant with His people and the whole world - the Temple system was replaced with The Lamb whose shed blood on The Cross became the sacrifice for Israel and the whole world. The promised land is not only in Israel, established in 15 May 1948, but also Heaven itself. Read Derek Prince "The Marriage Covenant" Chapter 2 for an excellent discussion on the differences between "Covenant" and the word "Testament".

Obviously, the benefits of "putting pen to paper" has been very enlightening to me as well. Establishing a framework, and reviewing key scriptures has renewed my agape for the Lord. I trust that you too will receive similar blessings.

My intention is that you will easily identify the signposts for you to follow, and that each signpost will be a "feeding or drinking" station for you on your own Calvary Road walk.

The Table following, gives an instant overview of some of the miracles God has done through history. I encourage you to "land your plane" and do in-depth study by looking up the scriptures at each resting station and receive blessings from hearing from our almighty Lord God through Jesus Christ His Son, and The Holy Spirit. His living word will set you free!

Fairly full notes and thoughts arising from this table have been included to help as you meditate on God's Words. The intention is to show you some ways I study and meditate on God's words. Once you know how, you can easily apply the principles whenever you need to study in depth and dig out the riches of thoughts right from God's own heart.

2. MIRACLES IN THE HOLY BIBLE: SUMMARY

Summary based on "Miracles" Encyclopedia and Concordance end Rev. W.M. Clow (1962) pub. Collins

Miracles are called "signs and wonders". These are consistent with God who is omnipotent (all powerful), omniscient (all knowing), and omnipresent (to be found everywhere)

"Holy Scriptures... are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Jesus Christ. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof (correcting faults), for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3: 15-17

"No prophecy of scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." 2 Peter 1: 20-21

Note: Scholars say around 1/3rd of the Bible is prophetic. We are just scratching the surface here

OLD COVENANT

- 1 The Creator, architect, designer - He created everything from nothing: the Cosmos with the myriads of galaxies, the Earth and everything in it, Adam and Eve Gen Chps 1-3
- 2 Noah and the Ark - The Great World flood - only 8 are saved, one household plus animals who super-naturally enter the Ark two by two. God closes the Ark's door. A new beginning.- repopulation of world Ham father of black Africans, Shem, father of Semitic or white or Semitic peoples, Japheth father of Yellow and brown peoples. Chinese preserve the Genesis creation story and Great Flood in their cryptogram . . writing e.g. "Goong Yee" - Eight out for the whole world have The Lamb over Me, and boat - vessel with eight mouths. (See RHS - Chinese characters)
- 3 Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah Gen 19:24
- 4 Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt Gen 19:26
- 5 Birth of Isaac Gen 21: 1-3
- 6 The burning bush not consumed Ex 3:2
- 7 Aaron's rod changed into a serpent Ex 7:10-12
- 8 The 10 Plagues of Egypt- the defeat of the powerful 'gods' of Egypt. Ex cp 7-12. 1. Waters made to blood directed against Osiris, the god of The Nile. (7:20-25). 2. The Frogs - goddess Hekt (8:16-18); 3. The Lice : against Seth the earth god Ex 8:16-18; 4. The Flies, or beetles, against Hatokok the wife of Osiris Ex 8:20-24; 5. The murrain or cattle disease against Apis the sacred bull god Ex 9: 3-6; 6. The Boils against Typhon Ex 9: 8-11; 7. The Thunder - hail and fire against Shu, god of the atmosphere Ex 9: 22-26; 8. Locusts against Serapai, the god who protected Egypt from locusts Ex 10: 12-19; 9. The Darkness was against Ra, the sun god Ex 10: 21-23; 10. The death of the first born male was an attack against all gods! Ex 12: 29-30. This established The Passover in Jewish history to be fulfilled by Jesus Christ as the . Pascal Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world John 1:29.. The Plagues showed the world that YHWH was the greatest God and the impotence of the Egyptian gods (The magicians and gods of Egypt were known to be the most powerful and awesome). YHWH is infinitely more powerful than demons! This is amply demonstrated by Jesus Christ who cast demons, or unclean spirits out of people.
- 9 The Red Sea divided by East Wind. Israel passes through. This is an archetype of Baptism. 1 Cor 10: 1-2
- 10 The pursuing Egyptian army is delayed, then drowned Ex Chp 14. Significance for Baptism - demons drowned, 'old fleshly man' dies, rises out of water as a new creature 2 Cor 5:17 ,filled in the Spirit, and led by Him. Ro. 8:1, 14
- 11 The Waters of Marah sweetened Ex 15:23-25 God promised them freedom from sickness if they would obey Him!
- 12 The Exodus (literally 'out of ' or deliverance) 1. The Manna sent daily -Sabbath excepted. Ex 16:14-35; The Water from Rephidim. Ex 17:5-7 fed 600,000 soldiers, women, children, sheep and cattle, plus priests this, conservatively, adds to over 2 million 'drinkers' ! The Cloud protected the Israelites from the burning desert sun, and guided them through the wilderness desert. At night it turned into a Pillar of Fire to warm them from the freezing nights Ex 13:21; their clothes and shoes did not wear out! Dt 8: 2-4, 29:5 This is remembered as the Greatest manifestation of God's unfailing love to His Chosen Ones, and that He

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is a covenant keeping God despite their unfaithfulness or harlotry through Old Testament history Ex 19: 3-8 (A covenant is a pact or treaty between 2 parties sealed with an oath). A New Covenant was established with the incarnation of Jesus Christ, in The New Covenant, or New Testament.

- 13 The Ten Commandments written by The hand of God, twice! .First set on stones fashioned and written by God. Deut 5: 22, 9: 8- 11. Moses smashed these because of idolatry. Second set made by Moses, and written by God's hand Deut 10: 1-5. This is The Law which defined sin. Despite warnings against idolatry, harlotry, this sin became the major stumbling block for the Children of Israel right through history. It is interesting to note that there are 2 other times God wrote: Firstly the words to Belshazzar 'Mene, Mene, Upharsin' (God has numbered your kingdom and finished it). Dan 5: 25-26. The second time is Jesus when wrote in the sand when He is presented with a woman taken in adultery and the religious rulers . test Jesus. He said to the accusers: " Let the one among you who has never sinned throw the first stone at her! He then stooped down again and continued writing in the dust on the ground. . John 8:1-11 Grace, mercy, justice and forgiveness are the hallmarks of the New Covenant, not legalism and murder.
- 14 Nadab and Abihu consumed for offering strange fire. Lev 10: 1-2
- 15 Part of Israel burned for ungrateful and faithless discontent. Nu 11: 1-3
- *16 (1) **Miriam healed of leprosy** Nu Chapter 12. Struck for speaking out against Moses.
- 17 The earth swallow Korah, etc. Fire and plague follow. Nu 16: 32ff.
- 18 Aaron's rod budding. Nu 17: 1ff
- 19 Water from the rock smitten twice at Meribah. Nu 20:7-11
- 20 The Brazen serpent. Num 21: 8-9
- 21 Balaam's ass speaks. Nu 22: 21-30
- 22 The river Jordon stopped; Israel crosses dry-shod. Josh 3: 14-17
- 23 The walls of Jericho fall down. Rahab, a prostitute and her household are the only ones saved for helping the two spies and obeying their commandment to let the red string down on the wall's side to identify her house on the wall. Josh 6: 6-20 (refer Noah and his household saved).
- 24 Sun and Moon stayed over Gibeon; hail storm kills more than Israel kill by the sword. Josh 10: 11-14 This lasts for 23 hours 40 minutes. The 20 minutes totaling one missing day in world history is found in 2 Kgs 20:10 when King Hezekiah asks for a sign from God for his healing - Hezekiah requests that the shadow goes back 10 degrees, or 40 minutes.
- 25 Gideon - sign of the fleece Judges 6: 36-40
- 26 Gideon - 300 men to prove God is at work, not them Judges Chapter 7
- 27 Strength of Samson. Judg 14-16
- 28 The water flows from the hollow place in Lehi. Judg 15-19
- 29 Dagon falls twice before the Ark ; emerods (tumours) ravage people of Ashdod, Philistines 1Sam 5:1-12
- 30 Men of Beth-shemesh smitten for looking in the Ark. 1 Sam 6:9
- 31 A thunderstorm causes panic in the Philistine army. 1 Sam 7: 10-12
- 32 The sound in the bulberry trees i.e. God goes before David. 2 Sam 5: 23-35
- 33 Uzzah struck dead for touching the Ark. 2 Sam 6:7
- 34 Jeroboam's hand is withered and his new altar destroyed. 1 Ki 13:4-6
- 35 The Widow of Zarepath's oil and flour replenished continually by God via Elijah. 1 Ki 17: 124-16
- *36 (2) **The widow's son is resurrected by God via Elijah. 1 Ki 17: 17-24**
- 37 The Mount Carmel battle between God via Elijah and prophets of Baal and Asheroth (Satan) - Drought, fire and rain from heaven at Elijah's prayer.. Elijah fed supernaturally by ravens. 1 Ki 17-19
- 38 Wall of Aphek falls upon thousands of Syrians. 1 Ki 20:30
- 39 Aaziah's Captains and men consumed by fire. 2 Ki 1:10-12
- 40 The river Jordan divided by God via Elijah, 2 Ki 8, then later by Elisha. 2 Ki 2:14 .
- 41 Elijah translated to Heaven in a chariot. 2 Ki 2:14, vs. 7-14 Elisha asks Elijah for a double portion of his Spirit's anointing. 2 Ki 2:9
- 42 The waters of Jericho healed with salt via Elisha. 2 ki 2: 21-22.
- 43 2 female bears destroy 42 mocking young men from the city after Elisha puts a curse on them for calling him "baldhead" 2 Ki 2: 24
- 44 God, via Elisha purifies a deadly pot of stew with flour. 2 Ki 4: 38- 41
- 45 100 men fed with 20 loaves of bread and there is some left over! 2 Ki 4: 42-44

- *46 (3) Naaman cured of leprosy** - disease transferred to greedy Gehazi & descendents. **2 Ki 5: 10-27**
- 47 Iron Axe head is lost in Jordan river, made to float by Elisha and is recovered! . 2 Ki 6: 5-7
- 48 Ring of fiery horses & chariots protect Elisha - seen by his servant to annul fear of Syrian army. 2 Ki 6:17
- 49 The Syrian army is blinded by God via Elisha. Israel is saved from the conquering Syrians. 2 Ki 6: 18-23
- *50 (4) God, via Elisha's bones, revive a dead man** when the corpse touches Elisha's bones. **2 Ki 13:21**
- 51 Angel of the Lord kills 185,000 of Sennacherib's army to save King Hezekiah and Jerusalem. 2 Ki 19: 35
- *52 (5) King Hezekiah granted extra 15 years life.** The shadow of the sun goes back 10 degrees on Ahaiz's sun dial as proof from God as proof He will do His word. and deliver the King & Jerusalem from the Assyrians for David's sake. **2 Ki 20: 6-10.** Uzziah, King of Judah struck down by leprosy for sin of pride-
- 53 He entered the Temple to burn incense. When Azariah, & 80 priests, challenged the King who had a censer in his hand, the angry King became a leper, lived in an isolated house until he died. 2 Chron 26: 16-21
- 55 Daniel's best friends Shadrach, Meshach & Abednego are delivered from furnace heated-up 7 times the normal temperature. They are seen walking in the furnace - Jesus Christ is with them! When the 3 came out they had no smell, their hair was unsinged, and clothes were unaffected ! They got the furnace treatment because they refused to bow down to King Nebuchadnezzar's golden image at the sound of the "horn, flute, harp, lyre and psaltery in symphony with all kinds of music" v.5. The 3 are promoted, and a decree is made announcing that anyone who "speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego shall be cut to pieces and their houses will be made an ash heap. They are promoted. Dan 3
- 56 Daniel saved in the den of lions by an Angel who shut the Lions' mouths. The King had been duped by Daniel's enemies in approving a 30 day New Law forbidding petitions to a god or man, King Darius excepted. The King fasted. The next day when The King discovered Daniel was alive, cast his accusers, wives and children into the furnace. King Darius decrees worship of Daniels living God who " works signs and wonders in heaven and earth, who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions." Dan 6 (see Noah Miracle 2 - one household saved - here houses will be burnt. Also 2nd Commandment Ex 20).
- 57 Deliverance of Jonah - the man who ran from God and was saved in the belly of a great fish. Jon 2:1-10

NEW COVENANT

These are in chronological date order, according to Thomas & Gundry (1979, 3rd printing) A Harmony of the Gospels. Some slight adjustments have been made to cater for some grouping of miracles.

God's witness is in **"both signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit"** Heb 2:4

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
1 Angel Gabriel appears to elderly Zacharias in Temple in Jerusalem			1:5 - 25	
2 Elizabeth becomes pregnant with John The Baptist.				
3 Angel Gabriel appears to Mary to announce her pregnancy by The Holy Spirit - Nazareth			1:26-38	
6 Zacharias' prophetic song - John and Jesus - Judea			1: 67-79	
7 Angels appear to shepherds - glad tidings			2: 8-20	
Simon blesses baby Jesus, prophetess Anna			2: 22- 38	
8 Visit of Magi - 3	2: 1-12			
9 Angel appears to Joseph in a dream telling Joseph to flee to Egypt because Herod is going to kill him	2: 13-18			
Spiritual revival in Judea- John preaches Repentance	3: 1- 10	1: 2-6	3: 3-14	
The Holy Spirit appears over to stay with Jesus at His	3: 13-17	1: 9-11	3:21-23a	
10 Baptisms: In Water for sins, In Holy Spirit for power, In Fire for Holiness, Matt 3:11, Our Heavenly Father says:				
11 "This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased"				
Wilderness Temptation of Christ by Satan: The Cross-less temptation.	4: 1-11	1: 12-13	4: 1-13	
12 First miracle by Jesus - Water into wine 6 pots, 20-30 gallons each (90 - 130 litres). 1 gallon = 4.356 litres.				2: 1-11
*13 (1) 2nd Miracle of Jesus Royal official's dying son healed at point of death in Capernaum - Jesus was at Cana.				4: 46-54

		Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
*14 (2)	Teaching of Jesus authenticated by healing a demoniac at Capernaum		1: 21-28	4: 31b- 37	
*15 (3)	Peter's mother-in-law healed of fever- Capernaum	8: 14-17	1: 29- 34	4:38- 41	
*16 (4)	Healing of all by Jesus Christ! That evening many who were demon-possessed were brought to him - He cast them out with a word, & healed all who were ill . Fulfilling Isaiah's prophetic word " He Himself took our infirmities, and carried away our our diseases" . Note the prophetic link of Jesus & The Cross. Blind receive sight, lame walk, lepers cleansed and cleansed, deaf hear, and dead raised up , the poor have gospel preached to them. People touching fringe of Jesus' garment are healed! 12 apostles given this power - healing every kind of disease and sickness, authority over unclean spirits (demons).	8: 16- 17 4:23 9:35-38 11:05 14: 34-36 15: 29-31 10: 1-42	1: 32- 34 1:39 6: 53 -56 7: 31-37 6:56 6: 6-11	4:40- 41 9: 1-5	
*17 (5)	Cleansing of Lepers followed by much publicity- Galilee	8: 2-4	1: 40-45	5: 12-16	
*18 (6)	Forgiving the sins and healing of a paralytic lowered down to Jesus through roof, healed	9: 1-8	2: 1-2	5: 17-26	
*19 (7)	A man who was lame for 38 years healed on the Sabbath in Bethesda pool, Jerusalem				5:1-9
*20 (8)	Healing of man's withered hand on Sabbath "Stretch out your hand!" .and it was restored like the other hand.	12: 9-14	3: 1-6	6: 6-11	
*21 (9)	The Capernaum Centurion's faith and healing of his servant who was about to die. "Just say the word and my servant will be healed"	8:1,5-13		7:1-10	
*22(10)	Widow's son raised from dead out of coffin at Nain			7: 11-17	
*23(11)	Demon-possessed man who was blind and dumb healed. Jesus accused of casting out demons by Beelzebul the ruler of demons	12: 22-37	3: 20-30		
24	Jesus sleeps in midst of a storm - rebukes the wind and the sea , and it became perfectly calm	13:53 8: 18, 23-27	4: 35-41	8: 22-25	
*25 (12)	Gerasene demoniacs healed with resultant opposition This is the longest description of a demon (called Legion ') being cast out, and aftermath of opposition. Many important lessons here to be learnt! - Gerasa	8: 28-34	5:1-20	8:26-39	
*26 (13)	Jairus, a synagogue official, seeks Jesus for help. His 12 year old daughter is dying. Jesus agrees to go.	9: 18-26	5:21-43	8:40-56	
*27 (14)	On the way, a woman with a hemorrhage for 12 years has spent all on remedies, desperately sneaks up and touches Jesus' garment. Her faith heals her	9: 20-22	5:25-34	8:43-48	
*28 (15)	Jairus' daughter dies and the funeral is underway. Jesus says: " she sleeps ". In private, he takes her hand and commands her to rise!	9: 23-26	5:35-43	8:49-56	
*29 (16)	2 blind men cry out for help. Jesus heals them	9: 27-31			
*30 (17)	Demon-possessed, dumb man healed	9: 32-33			
31	Feeding 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish - 12 full baskets of left overs!	14:15-21	6:35-44	9:12-17	6:4-13
32	Jesus walks on water on sea of Galilee	14: 24-33	6: 47-52		6: 16-21
33	Peter walks on water to go to Jesus. His faith wavers. " Lord Save Me! " The wind ceases when they get into the boat - it suddenly reaches land .	14: 28-31			6:21

		Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
*34 (18)	Canaanite woman's demon possessed daughter healed, after active dialogue. In Tyre and Sidon region	15: 21-28	7: 24-30		
34	4,000 fed with 7 loaves of bread and a few fish. 7 large baskets of left overs!	15: 32- 38	8: 1-9		
*35 (19)	Blind man at Bethsaida. Jesus spat into his eyes .		8: 22-26		
36	Transfiguration of Jesus - near Caesarea Philippi witnessed by Peter, James and John (Jesus' brother) Moses and Elijah appear talking with Jesus. God says: " <i>This is My Son, My Chosen One, listen to Him!</i> " and Jesus came to them and touched them.	17: 1-8	9: 2-8	9: 28-36a	
	" <i>Arise and do not be afraid.</i> "	17:07		9:35	
*37 (20)	Healing of demoniac, epileptic, boy with a mute spirit from childhood, making him fall into fire, and often into water convulsing, foaming at the mouth, mauling him. Disciples rebuked for unbelief. If you have the faith of a mustard seed you can move a mountain. This type can only come out by prayer and fasting.	17: 14-20	9: 14-29	9: 37-43a	
		17:20			
38	The Jews, incensed by Jesus' accusation that their father is the devil, cannot stone him as He suddenly disappears.				8: 31-59
					8:59
*39 (21)	70 Commissioned to go out two by two with nothing into the harvest field as reapers, to heal the sick . They return with joy saying 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name! ' (probably in Judea)			10: 1-17	
				10:17	
*40 (22)	When Jesus casts out a ' dumb' demon - the man . is able to speak. Jesus is accused doing this in Beelzebul's name, the ruler of demons.			11: 14-36	
*41 (23)	On a Sabbath day, Jesus lays hands on a woman with a spirit for 18 years cannot straighten up (bent double). She stands up immediately. Opposition by synagogue official.			13: 10-21	
*42 (24)	Man born blind. Obeys Jesus' command to go and wash off spit and clay mixture in pool, and is healed. Pharisees excommunicate the formerly blind man				9: 1-38
43	The incensed Jews cross verbal swords with Jesus and try to stone Jesus. He disappears again (see 36)				10: 22-39
*44 (25)	Healing of man with dropsy (unnatural collection of water in any part of the body) while eating with a Pharisaic leader on the Sabbath			14:04 14: 1-24	
*45 (26)	Raising of Lazarus from the dead. Bethany, near Jerusalem.				11: 1-54
*46 (27)	10 Lepers healed. They ask for healing. Jesus tells them to show themselves to the priests. They are cleansed as they go to obey. Only one, a Samaritan, goes back to thank Jesus. Jesus says his faith has healed him. Jesus on way to Jerusalem. & passing through Samaria & Galilee.			17: 11-21	
*47 (28)	Healing of Blind Bartimaeus and his companion Jesus touched their eyes. Sight gained immediately.	20: 29-34	10: 46-52	18: 35 -43	
*48 (29)	Salvation of Zacchaeus, the rich chief tax collector. in Jericho.			19: 1-10	
49	Jesus curses the fig tree - it has leaves but no fruit	21: 18-22	11: 12-26		

		Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
	It will never bear fruit - the fig tree withers.				
50	Jesus' prophecy over Temple in Jerusalem. and Return of Christ. Fulfilled 70 a.d. when Romans tore it down stone by stone.	24: 1-3	13: 1-4	21: 5-7	
*51 (30)	Jesus heals the ear of Malcus, the High Priest's slave, which had been cut off on the night of His betrayal. Luke records the healing of the ear.	26: 47-56	14: 43-52	22: 47-52	18: 2-12
	THE CRUCIFIXION OF JESUS CHRIST ON THE CROSS				
52	The world is plunged into darkness between Noon and 3pm. An incredible event, since the sun is normally at it's blazing hottest at midday.	27: 45-50	15: 33-37	23: 44-45a	
53	There is an earthquake				
54	The veil to the Holy of Holies rips apart supernaturally				
*55 (31)	The Saints rise from the dead and enter into Jerusalem and appeared to many.	27:53:00			
56	Prophecies fulfilled by life of Jesus Christ 1,093 prophecies of the Old Testament, 350 in His life				
	The Empty Tomb - the missing body -				
57	The Resurrection of Jesus Christ Guards shook with fear when the Angel of the Lord rolled away the stone. They became as "dead men" . I understand this to mean "slain-in-the-spirit" Soldiers bribed by the Jews to say that the Disciples stole the body whilst they slept.	28: 5-8 28: 2-4 28: 11 15	16: 2-8	24: 1-8	20: 1 -10
58	The Angel speaks to the women telling them: He is risen from the dead; to let the disciples know; He is going before them to Galilee.				
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60	Two Angels are seen by Mary Magdalene in the tomb				20:12
61	Draught of 153 Fish. Jesus tells disciples to cast net on RHS of boat. It is so full they cannot draw it in at 1st. Even though there are so many the net does not break.				21: 1-14. 21:06
	11 Appearances of Jesus Christ to				
62	Mary Magdalene -He had cast 7 demons out of her		16:09		20: 14-18
63	Other women - include Mary, mother of James, Salome and Joanne. We are not told how many women.	28: 9-10			
64	Two disciples traveling to Emmaus				
65	10 assembled disciples		16: 12-13	24: 13-32	
66	11 assembled disciples 8 days after resurrection, in Jerusalem, then		16:14	24: 36-43	20: 19-25 20: 26-31
67	7 disciples while fishing.				
68	11 disciples in Galilee - to the mountain Jesus had designated	28: 16-20	16: 15-18		21: 1-25
69	to the 12. 1 Corinthians 15: 5b				
70	500 brethren 'most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep. 1 Corinthians 15: 6				
71	James, Jesus' brother. 1 Corinthians 15:7				
72	Disciples in Jerusalem Acts 1: 3-12 with parting blessing and departure.		16: 19-20	24: 44-53	
73	Ascension of Jesus Christ Acts 1:				

THE ENTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT INTO THE WORLD ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST - Festival of the Wheat Harvest

*" unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone;
but if it dies, it produces much fruit."*

John 12:24

The Holy Spirit does the same miracle works of Jesus Christ through the apostles and disciples.

The Book of Acts contains only some of the Acts of the Holy Spirit by some of the Apostles.

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| 74 | Like a rushing mighty wind, flames appear on heads of disciples. | Acts 2: 1-4 |
| 75 | The Holy Spirit fills the house, and fills them all (their own temple) - | 1 Cor 3: 16-17, 6:19-20 |
| 76 | Disciples speak in tongues. 17 Ethnic groups hear Peter's 1st sermon. 3,000 men's heart cut, and are baptised in water and Holy Spirit. By inference, their household become believers. | Acts 2: 37-39 |
| *77 (32) | Lame man at Beautiful gate of the Temple. He is seen " leaping and walking & praising God" | Acts 3: 1-10 |
| 78 | Death of Ananias and Sapphira for lying to the Holy Spirit - withhold money | Acts 5:1-11 |
| | Many signs and wonders are done through the hands of the apostles. | Acts 5:12, 16 |
| 79 | "Sick people and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed" v.16. | |
| 80 | Peter's shadow heals sick brought out into street. | 5:15 |
| 81 | Prison opened for apostles by angels. This miracle happens twice | Acts 5:19, 12:7-11 |
| 82 | Stephen's dying vision of Christ at his stoning | Acts 7:55-56 |
| *83 (33) | Unclean spirits cast out by Philip | Acts 8: 6-7 |
| 84 | Jesus Christ's appearance to Saul on the road to Damascus | Acts 9:1-19, 22:1-21, 26:12-19 |
| 85 | Jesus Christ 's appearance to Paul telling him that he will be a witness in Rome. | Acts 23:11, 27:23-24 |
| *86 (34) | Saul made blind then healed - obeys Jesus, goes to Ananias in Straight Street. | Acts 9: 17-18, 22:12-13 |
| *87 (35) | Encas healed of palsy by Peter | Acts 9:33-34 |
| *88 (36) | Dorcus raised to life by Peter | Acts 9:40 |
| 89 | Cornelius' vision. The Holy Spirit falls on them - He and his household are baptised | Acts 10:3-4, 30-32 |
| 90 | Peter's vision of the blanket filled with unclean creatures made clean by work completed on The Cross by Jesus Christ. | Acts 10 |
| 91 | Peter miraculously released from prison by an Angel. Peter thinks he is dreaming. | Acts 12: 7-11 |
| *92 (37) | Elymas stricken with blindness by Paul for being a sorcerer:" full of deceit & all fraud" | Acts 13: 11 |
| *93 (38) | A Cripple healed at Lystra by Paul who saw that he has the faith to be healed . | Acts 14: 8-18 |
| 94 | Vision of "man of Macedonia" seen by Paul, telling him to go over to them. | Acts 16:6- 9 |
| *95 (39) | Spirit of divination cast out of a damsel by Paul, when he got annoyed with her | Acts 16: 16-18 |
| 96 | Earthquake at Philippi opens the prison doors for Paul and Silas. The Philippian gaoler and his household are converted at midnight The "oikos" formula of salvation is born, along with the refocusing of attention back to the household - a theme consistent throughout the Holy Bible. | Acts 16: 25-34 |
| | <i>" Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household (oikos) "</i> | Acts 16: 31 |
| *97 (40) | Special miracles at Ephesus by Paul. <i>" even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them."</i> | Acts 19: 11-20
Acts 19:11 |
| 98 | Evil spirit puts to flight Sceva's sons. The 7 sons of Sceva (a Jewish chief priest) are itinerant exorcists but are unable to exorcise an unclean spirit. The spirit says: <i>" Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?"</i> . The man caused them to flee from his house naked and wounded. <i>" This became known both to all Jews and Greeks dwelling in Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord was magnified. And many who believed came confessing and telling their deeds. Also, many of those who practiced magic brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all."</i> The books were worth 50,000 pieces of silver. | Acts 19:13- 17 |
| *99 (41) | Eutychus raised to life by Paul. Eutychus was sitting in the window whilst listening to Paul preach. He fell 3 stories and died. . | Acts 20: 9-12 |
| 100 | Prophecies of Agabus- predicts Great Famine in world, & Paul's binding | Acts 11: 28, 21:11 |
| *101 (42) | A Viper bites Paul at Melita - the onlookers expect him to swell up and die. | Acts 28: 3-6 |
| *102 (43) | Publius' father healed, and others healed at Melita by Paul | Acts 28: 8-9 |
| | Miracles referred to in Epistles and Revelation | |
| *103 (44) | Miracles through Paul and others as part of fully preaching the gospel. | |

:" in mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God."

Romans 15:19

*"...my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should be not in the wisdom of men but in the **power of God.**"*

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

[1 Cor 12:9-10,28-31]

[Gal 3:5, 1 Tim 1:20]

104	Miracle of Tongues	[Acts 2:4, 10:44-48 on Cornelius and his household]	1 Cor 14: 27-33
105	Appearance of Christ after his resurrection	to 500, James, apostles, Paul	1 Corinthians 15: 4-8
106	Visions and revelations of Paradise to Paul		2 Corinthians 12: 1-5, 12
107	" Powers of the world to come " - i.e. Of Gospel times		Hebrews 2:4, 6:5
108	John's visions on Isle of Patmos		Revelations 1:10 - the whole book

Summary	Miracles	Healings	%
OT	55	5	9
NT	108	44	41
Total	163	49	30

Comment on Statistics

*1/3rd of the Bible is prophetic. Most of the Prophecies have been omitted

*These statistics represent the tip of an ice-berg.

Individual and group miracles and healings are noted - there may be many. Which have been left out by error and because of a narrow definition

* NT reveals increase in direct healing of individuals - emphasis away from God's Chosen Ones- Israel - to world at large.

The Holy Spirit says it all in **John 21:25**

" And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written."

God is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent

*NOTES ON THE TABLE

This is a summary of the miracles of God. Around 1/3rd of the Bible is prophetic.

The purpose is to build-up faith in almighty God's power - He is all powerful as the history of the Israelites attests. He intervenes in history as He wills. He does what He wills in nature and in our lives. Signs and wonders are a normal part of being a citizen of heaven, a child of God. Healing of our lives is a natural part of our walk following in our Master's footsteps. Here is what the Spirit says:

" And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen "
John 21: 25

A summary of 350 prophecies which relate directly to Jesus Christ, is appended.

Approximately one third of the Bible is prophetic (obviously the table attached includes only a sample of the miracles, some of the grouped)

The summary reveals some statistics, which, for all their limitations, reveal important insights:

1. The Old Covenant records 57 miracles, according to my *categorization, [* based on Clow (1962)] of which only 5 (9%) directly mention healing (Miriam, healed of leprosy **Numbers 12: 10-15** , King Hezekiah was dying but granted 15 years extra life because He *"Set his house in order"* **1 Kings 20: 1- 11** , the Widow's son who died and was resurrected by Elijah **1 Kings 17: 17-24**,

Naaman of leprosy **2 Kings 5: 10-27**, and Elisha's bones revive a dead man **2 Kings 13: 21**). The New Covenant records 108 miracles of which 44 (41%) are to do with healings.

2. There is an emphasis on Israel (God's chosen nation) in the Old Covenant. In The New Covenant, individuals of the new Israel - the whole world, there is a definite emphasis on healing (5 instances compared with 44), and the number of miracles almost double in the New Testament (57 compared to 108).
3. There are a total of 165 miracles, of which 49 (30%) are to do with healing of individuals and groups of them. The remaining miracles (70%) are concerned with topics which include: God's mastery over Satan and his co-workers (demons or unclean spirits, and their bad effects on people); His total control of human history as it relates to His Chosen People, Israel (now known generically as the Jews); and that He is Master over nature - the earth, wind, seas, the air, the animal kingdom, as well as the micro world or viruses and bacteria and anything which causes sickness and ill-health (such as demons). The life of Jesus Christ and His ministry reveals this. God can do everything! There is nothing God cannot do!

A comment on the statistics. As mentioned earlier, approximately one third of the Bible is prophetic. As many of the prophecies have been omitted from this discussion, it is therefore obvious that the table attached includes only a sample of the actual miracles. It is also difficult to categorise and summarise events as separate "miracles", since many miracles may occur within one major event (e.g. the 10 plagues of Exodus). More importantly, The Bible does not record all that God has done. **John 21: 25**. The statistics are therefore only a sample or indicators and examples of God's thoughts of how He is involved in human history of nations, and with His people. They reinforce the fact that He is almighty - omnipotent.

The table reveals a major difference between the Old and New Covenants in respect to the focus on miracles and healings. The Old Covenant is concerned with God's relationship with Israel as a nation (His Chosen people) and so does not focus too much on individuals. It is amazing to discover that there are only 5 specific healings of individuals. In the New Covenant healings are more prominent (41% compared with 9%). A possible reason could be that Jesus Christ came to save sinners, "chosen ones" first, then the whole world, so. He is concerned with the well-being of the whole person, body, soul, and spirit!

The context of miracles however puts the incidence of healing into the wider perspective of God who is in total control - mankind has to make a choice to follow Him or reject Him. When a person experiences healing either as a result of some medicine or medical procedure, or direct intervention from God, or is "saved", God should be acknowledged as Healer! Doctors, after all is said and done, only help the body to recover. Life is a miracle.

What can we do when we are physically, psychologically, or spiritually sick?

We all suffer from one health problem or another, whether we are over weight, injured or trying to recover injuries, illnesses in body, soul or spirit. It is not uncommon for someone to go to see a doctor. The doctor will ask us to describe the symptoms, and our history of the problem, then give us an examination, and then suggest some remedies to help our body recover back to its original healthy state. His recommendations may contain a mixture of rest, recreation, physical exercise, some tablets, further tests, or some drastic action such as surgery.

Here are some things to consider:

1. Rely on commonsense

Take some heavy doses of common sense. For instance: if you are tired-out then obviously you should take some rest - God established a Sabbath day for rest - which day you take does not matter, but you should have one day!; if you are under severe stress, then you must seek a practical solution to alleviate the stress; if you have pulled a muscle then you must rest the muscle. When we are sick, we should do what we can to help the amazing defense mechanisms in our bodies work efficiently, so that we can return to our previous healthy state. We need to eat healthily (cereals, fruit, vegetables, meat etc.), exercise regularly (minimum of 30 minutes per day), rest, and sleep.

2. Know the limitations of the person you are consulting. A medical doctor will help your body recover using modern medical techniques (pharmaceutical products, surgery, general health and nutritional advice. Others prefer to visit traditional herbalists or "alternative" health advisors who dispense "natural" remedies. These practitioners are dedicated to helping your body recover from the illness. However, a doctor can only assist your body to recover - he cannot heal anyone.

3. Rely on God. Remember, He is a God of miracles.

a. In the natural world, the act of creation is a mind-blowing miracle. He created all things from nothing, both inanimate and animate! The whole cosmos with its myriads of galaxies and life in all its forms is a miracle, is mirrored in the smallest building block of life, the molecule. Science has revealed the complexity and intricacies of life in all its forms, the "watermark", "the fingerprints", the handiwork of a mastermind **Psalm 19:1**.

b. The Holy Bible also contains a record of God' personal involvement in the affairs of this world as they affect His Chosen people, such as in the Great Exodus from Egypt through 10 mighty miracles. Each of these miracles was directed against a mighty demon or god of Egypt and involved associated miracles, as well as miracles related to passing through the Red Sea into the Promised Land. Centuries later the dramatic defeat of Israel, in the height of power, prosperity and influence, by the Assyrians who conquered then took away the Northern tribes, followed by Babylon Empire captivity, all because of disobedience of not worshipping YHWH.

c. God became man, in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ was both fully man and fully God. God took on human form through Jesus Christ through the immaculate conception of Mary. Jesus Christ led a sinless life. At the age of twelve he revealed His brilliance and intelligence by engaging the "professors" of Judaism in discussion. He was murdered on The Cross of Calvary, resurrected bodily, and ascended into Heaven. Then, God in the form of The Holy Spirit entered into world history (as the third person of the Trinity), and into human lives. Jesus Christ's life on earth reinforced God's mastery over the physical world (He rebuked the wind and waves,) and over time and distance - the boat He was in suddenly arrived at its destination). He also revealed His supreme power over the spiritual world when He overcame Satan in the Wilderness Temptation at the beginning of His ministry. He cast out demons, and other sicknesses. His resurrection crushed Satan's power - He conquered death - mankind's final enemy. Miracles are a part and parcel of believing in Jesus Christ. This is the simple theme of the New Testament. (Read Appendices 1 "Miracles and Healing").

d. We are able to seek God's direct help through Jesus Christ simply because **He healed all who put their faith in Him** in the short three years or so of ministry some 2,000 years ago. There was no illness He could not heal. The word "All" means all! The four accounts of the Gospel found in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John have many accounts of the illnesses Jesus Christ healed when people put their faith in Him (see Appendix 1). Recorded, are very

specific examples of the healing of what we would consider to be "hopeless cases". Nothing was too hard for Jesus Christ. He healed all who were sick – those taken to see Him or who sought Him including lepers, crippled, blind, paralytics, deaf and dumb, mute, injured, fevers, and those who had died He brought to life. After the entry into the world of The Holy Spirit on the Harvest Festival on the day of Pentecost, the disciples continued on with the "signs and wonders" work, only there were many of them doing Jesus Christ's work. Miracles accompanied the Gospel message. God works in the midst of His people when they obey Him. The reporting of miracles, and of healing, is simple, straight forward, factual, unemotional and unembellished. The reader or listener, is invited to believe, simply.

There are also many accounts and testimonies of healing through deliverance from demonic powers or unclean spirits through Jesus Christ today, and in past years. Jesus Christ is "*the same yesterday, today and forever!*" **Hebrews 13:8**. (See fuller discussion in Section 6). You can read about medically documented miracles from God, Jesus Christ healing medically incurable conditions such as cerebral palsy, leukemia, Parkinson's disease (2 cases), and multiple cancers, in Ian Wishart's book "The Divinity Code" (pub.2007) [He published these medically verified accounts in the December 2006 issue of his *Investigate* magazine – a New Zealand publication].

4. Recognise that Satan is involved in one way or another.

God may allow Satan to give a person an illness to chastise, **Hebrews 12: 3-6, The Book of Job**, but it is God's prerogative to bring healing and restoration. King Hezekiah is a case in point – he was obedient to the command to set his house in order, and God allowed him an extra 15 years of life. The woman who was bound by Satan for 18 years was set free **Luke 13:16**– as is the case of all deliverances from unclean spirits or demons mentioned in the New Testament. Jesus healed them all from sicknesses and demonic bondages. The name, Satan, means "adversary" [of Jesus Christ]. Satan is real whether you believe that he exists or not, just as Jesus Christ is real whether you believe in Him or not! We need to get our "heads" right. He is still doing what He did in the first Century.

5. If you are not a Christian and are sick, go to Jesus Christ (He rose from the dead and is therefore living!).

In the first instance you could make an appointment to see your doctor to find out what is wrong (if possible). I suggest that you seriously consider becoming a Christian as well. The reason is obvious: when you can trust Jesus Christ, He will heal you. If you are a Christian (Christ is in me) and are sick, then you should carefully consider the contents of this discussion and re-evaluate your faith in Jesus Christ and what He has done for you at The Cross. Read your Bible, check out each scriptural reference yourself, and seek to know the mystery of eternal life and the Jesus Christ's healing power!

The reason why I say this is because, I repeat, **everyone who went to Jesus Christ was healed**. We must get the facts of each case recorded in The Bible firmly planted in our minds by reading about them, make sense of them, and review them over and over again until they become infused within us. Thus we will reach the inescapable conclusion that Jesus Christ is the one person we should turn to. He will never fail us – we fail ourselves by not putting our trust in Him! Testimonies of healing are helpful as well, particularly if they are fully documented. A full arsenal of facts gives us tons of reasons to believe that we can trust Jesus Christ to heal us.

We need a simple child-like faith even though we aren't children! If you need a certainty of the facts, then this can be achieved by putting our faith in God's words: "*Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God*" **Romans 10:17**

A person becomes a Christian through repentance. You will submit yourself to the Baptisms of Jesus Christ: in water and in The Holy Spirit **Matthew 3:11** (the act of being born again **John Chapter 3**), and in Fire. Several things happen - there is the spiritual translation from the kingdom of Satan into the Kingdom of Heaven, and , the appropriation of all the work that was done at the Cross of Calvary by Jesus Christ some two thousand years ago. The sacrifice which is acceptable to God is a person who is 100% committed to Him. These three baptisms are the proof of the pudding! Furthermore, we can only appropriate what we know to receive. Total healing of our bodies, souls and spirits was one of the works completed at The Cross. Healing includes the issue of death and eternal life.

Please look-up all the scriptural references, meditate on the words from God and receive the life they bring into your body, soul and spirit. What I have done here is to bring the scriptures together in a coherent manner. Please give the contents your deliberate, detailed and sober consideration, and reflection. Any comments (good or bad) will be welcomed and incorporated into an updated, improved version of this discussion (see contact details at the end).

You could also read through, study, and meditate on God's accounts of His miracles in Section 2 : Summary of "Miracles & Healings in the Old and New Testament" to renew your mind to focus on God's historical concern with His people. He never changes! The accounts are factual. They happened in history, as facts of God's agape for us. They are very relevant to our lives today. The Bible is non- fiction, not the product of a human author's imagination. Every word is God's words (the thoughts are God's - the words we read in English or in another language are translations from the original Hebrew or Greek texts).

Holy Scripture is meant to be read aloud - hence the emphasis on "hearing". As we read and listen to the sounds of the words, we can quietly savour God's words and enjoy their texture and flavour. We can then digest them, and they will feed, nourish, and heal our body, soul and spirit.

6. Healing is directly linked to the act of salvation

The key word for Healing in Greek is "sozo" which directly links salvation or atonement - the act of making oneself 'at-one-with-God' or 'at-one-ment' - to total healing of a person.(This is discussed fully under the heading 4 Greek Words for healing following).

Our thinking needs a few mental and spiritual hooks, so that we can begin the process of organizing our thoughts on this topic of healing. We need to focus carefully. Here is a very important one, which contains many "golden thoughts" worthy of being treasured in our hearts.

2. A KEY SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 4:12-13

(May I encourage you to open your own Bible, your own "sword" [Eph 6:17] for this quote and any others quoted I).

*"For the word of God is living and powerful, and
 sharper than any two-edged sword,
 piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and
 of joints and marrow, and is
 a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but*

all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account

”

Here are some brief comments on the key thoughts.

a. **God's word is living and powerful.** God is living and powerful. But so is God's word. The word of a King is effective. The emphasis is not on God but His Word. The Greek people believed that words had to be used carefully because words had a powerful effect on the hearers. God here affirms that His word is not only powerful, it is living (the Greek word *Energes* for these two English words means "operative", "actively alive and energetic, quick ")! Life gives life. God's word is, in Greek, **The Logos** - He was in the beginning, pre-existent with God and The Logos is God. **John 1:1** The Logos in John's account of the Gospel is none other than Jesus Christ. So what God is saying is that His Word, Jesus Christ is living and powerful (which His life exemplified. In addition, by some miracle, as we read and believe God's word in The Holy Bible, it becomes operative, active, and energetic in our lives! Jesus Christ who healed and cast out demons will perform His word in your life and in my life - if we believe, if we put your trust in Him! But there is more. God's word is also **The Rhema** - , The revealing Spirit of God - God's words revealed to us personally by the promptings of The Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity. The Holy Spirit reveals sin in our lives, He brings us to judgment, He makes us righteous **John 16: 8-10**. Slavish rote learning of the word may produce a deadness within us - it is only when the Word of God becomes energized by the Holy Spirit that it will produce life within us.

" *...for the letter kills , but the Spirit gives life.* " **2 Corinthians 3:6, 4-6.**

Jesus told His disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the coming of The Holy Spirit **Luke 24:49**. His coming is recorded in Acts Chapter 2. His work is to help us " *But the Helper [Greek- Paraklete], the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you* " **John 14: 26**. Our problem is to be around Jesus to hear what He has to say. In other words we must spend time with the risen Jesus Christ to hear from Him " *My sheep will hear My words* " **John 10: 3-5, 27**.

A Christian is to be led only and continually by the Holy Spirit (not by His own fleshly strength and by human learning).

" *Jesus answered, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God'* " "

" *There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.*" **Romans 8: 1**

" *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God* " **Romans 8: 14**

" *Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the LORD of hosts* " **Zechariah 4: 6b**

Slavish rote learning of the word may produce a deadness - it is only when the Word of God becomes energized by the Holy Spirit that it will produce life within us.

" *And we have such trust through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.* " **2 Corinthians 3: 4- 6**

b. God's word is sharper than any two-edged sword.

a) The sword in the New Testament refers to God's word " *.. the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God* " **Ephesians 6: 17b**. There are many kinds of swords, each designed to do different jobs. The best swords are hand-crafted to suit the user. They are balanced and weighted accordingly. The Roman sword was usually short, made of iron, and two-edged. Each of us should have our own

"sword" - the Word of God. The Roman short sword was made of hardened iron which could be sharpened - in the hands of a highly trained soldier it's thrust was devastating to the victim.

(b) Two-edged sharp sword. The Greek word *Tomoterios* or "sharper" means to cut as if by a single stroke. I was traveling on a bus to share Jesus with some Singaporeans. I was reading this passage. I wondered why and how the word of God cuts into us, and then thought of a Surgeon who was in an operating theatre. The skilful hands are highly trained. A doctor has to undergo further years of specialist training to become a surgeon. A single and precise incision is made with a very sharp scalpel to cut through the skin to rectify a specific problem. The patient is then stitched-up and goes into recovery mode. God's spiritual two-edged knife, His word, is applied to make an incision between soul and spirit, bone and marrow, or "heart" to reveal the problem - to reveal the "creatures" hiding within. Peter, on The Day of Pentecost preached the first Pentecostal sermon under The Holy Spirit's anointing - 3,000 men's hearts are [stung, pricked, cut] and they cry out - what shall we do? **Acts 2: 37.** They were told to repent of their sins and be baptized in Jesus Christ's name to receive The Holy Spirit. Salvation is for the hearer and their children, family or household! **Acts 2: 38-39.** Under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, God's word is devastatingly effective. No one goes to sleep when the Holy Spirit speaks through one of His anointed ones!

(c) Fire and hammer. The word of God is also like a fire and a hammer

"Is not My word like a fire? Says the LORD. And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?" **Jeremiah 23:29**

The word fire has the connotation of burning. In the Holy Bible it has the additional meaning of making holy.

- "that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to be praise, honour and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love [agape]. Though now you do not see Him, ye believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory"* **1 Peter 1:7-8.**
- "He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness"* **Malachi 3:3**
- "Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have tested you in the furnace of affliction. For My own sake, I will do it; For how should my name be profaned? And I will not give My glory to another."* **Isaiah 48: 10 -11**

Gold and silver is placed into the intense heat of a refiner's oven in a crucible to purify it. This is the time too when other minerals are added if the refiner wants to. The refiner knows when the metal is pure, when he can see his reflection clearly. If it is left in the furnace for too long, the metal will evaporate. In the same way God uses affliction, persecution to refine us, once we begin walking in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. The purpose is to refine us, to make us holy, pure, righteous. It is so easy to brush off, deflect persecution. All we have to do is too say nothing when we should be commenting on a situation. All we have to do is to join the crowd, and not stand up and be counted when we should. All we have to do is to duck when we should hold our heads up high. All we have to do is to stay where we are, and not follow in Jesus Christ's footstep.

"Come follow Me and I will make you fishers of men"

"For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps" **1 Peter 2: 21**

Hammer, is self explanatory here - the smashing effect is to break something very hard into little pieces, to wreck or destroy it. The

application here is to smash our rock-hard hearts, our active rebellion, resistance to listening to and obeying God's words. The end result is a life consecrated to Holiness. Is this your aim in life? It is mine. Let, The Holy Spirit cut, thrust, burn, smash your life so the you can become a new creature in Christ **2 Corinthians 5: 17**. God is the potter, we are the clay - let Him mould and re-make us. This is an on-going work as we follow our Master.
Jeremiah Chapter 18.

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken an a contrite heart – These O God, You will not despise" **Psalms 51: 17.**

Religion, or man's way to God, does not teach repentance and forgiveness nor, The Calvary Cross through the shedding of the blood of The Lamb, Jesus Christ's death. Religion preserves the self. It says that 'God is within us'. Christianity however, teaches that we must die to self, as Jesus Christ died in order that we He can live in our bodies as a temple of The Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 3: 16-17; 6:19-20

Put your life up to be cut by the sword, hammered into pieces and submission, burnt for holiness. I dare you.

c. God's word pierces between soul and spirit. This scripture tells us that we humans are made of body, soul and spirit. We are tri-partite. Animals have body and soul.

The question is: What lives between soul and spirit that there should be piercing?

Answer: Could a very realistic answer be Demons, unclean spirits? Sin? Sickness?

We are distinctive in creation in the animate kingdom in that humans all have a spirit - we are capable of knowing the spiritual dimension of life, of having a one-to-one relationship with our Creator. Just as the operation room needs to be super clean and sterile of all germs, viruses and bugs, so our bodies may be Spiritually contaminated - we can have unclean spirits in us, demons, living in our "home" the body, soul or spirit. We need to be cleansed, purified, sterilised, and made holy! According to God's own words Adam was created in God's own image, to have communion or intimate fellowship, with Him in the Garden of Eden (heaven on earth) Genesis 1:26- 3:31. Adam was the perfect man with perfectly healthy, perfectly at peace (he was perfectly integrated in body, soul and spirit), and possessed eternal life in God's presence. Sin, illnesses and death entered into his life ending the beautiful relationship he had with God - Adam chose a new "father" - Satan. As Adam's descendents, we are naturally "children of Satan" and have inherited the "rebellious genes" Somehow, we must get ourselves back into an intimate relationship with God, through Jesus Christ, to achieve peace within and healing from all our ailments. We do by the work of The Holy Spirit - He works on us as we let Him. " *Do not harden your heart to Him today as in the rebellion, In the day of trial in the wilderness*" ! **Hebrews 3: 8**

d. God's word pierces between bone and marrow. Something must live between bone and marrow for God's word to pierce. What lives between bone and marrow?

May I suggest for starters, that some creatures called Arthritis, rheumatism and the such like live there.

e. God's word is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. A Western educated person would say that it is the mind which thinks, not the heart. The heart, as we all know, is the "muscle" which pumps blood through the body. The heart is the place for our emotions - we feel with our heart, something is "heart-felt". We can get to the "heart of a matter" - the central thought. We can often "read" a person's "heart" - where they are coming from.

God uses the word "heart" to refer to the inner most part of a person whose inclination is to rebel against obeying God's words. It is not unusually for us to "pick-up" vibes from a person which tell us that they are evil and cannot be trusted. God's word says that in actual fact

" *The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked; Who can know it?* " **Jeremiah 17:9**

Question: Do you agree with God? We should get into a habit of agreeing with Him - after all He ought to know, He's the Creator, the manufacturer, and His words are the operator's manual of instructions. If we disagree, are we not putting ourselves above God? Are we "all knowing"?

Jesus Christ, The Word, *The Logos*, could read the minds of people precisely. For instance: He knew A total stranger's life history, a woman from Samaria (**John 4**); a person's name and heart's desires (Zacchaeus **Luke 19:5**); a rich young man's "Achilles heel" - his riches (**Luke 18:18-23**). He knew what was going on in a person's mind, heart and life.

In Galatians we read that the "flesh" or "heart" of a person produces some very unsavoury fruit such as " *adultery, fornication, uncleanness, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murder, drunkenness, revelries and the like of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God* " **Galatians 5: 19b -21**

A person whose "heart" is Spirit controlled produces a much different fruit - " *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering (patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.* " **Galatians 5: 22-23**

Jesus can and will confer a gift of knowledge and of discernment to a believer - this is just one of the gifts of the Spirit. You can read a person if The Holy Spirit so desires in any given situation. **1 Corinthians 12: 8, 10, 1 - 11.**

£. There is no creature hidden from His sight. The purpose of medical surgery is to reveal, and to heal through surgical procedure. We are told here that "creatures" are exposed. What are these creatures? On a scientific level, Scientists have revealed the hidden world of micro organisms - viruses, bacteria, and molecules such as DNA - made possible by the electron microscope and chemical analysis which has accompanied the discovery of an amazing inner world within our bodies (read Michael Behe "Darwin's Black Box" for the ultimate rebuttal of Darwinian thinking based upon the latest scientific discoveries - see Bibliography). I am sure that God is not only talking about this. He is also talking about spiritual matters such as demons or unclean spirits and the causes or roots of sickness, considerations which are not necessarily normally factors in pure science. Ignorance of causes of illness lies in the fact that scientists do not know the secrets of life and death. Jesus Christ spoke directly to unclean spirits or demons in people just as He commanded Cripples to rise up out of their beds! The language is the same. The effects of His healing words, astonishing! The "hows" - impossible to know how He did it. People who trusted Him were cleansed, healed, and raised from the dead. Miracles have no scientific explanation.

Question: What is SIN?

Answer: Sin causes the ultimate sickness - death " *For the wages of sin is death* " **Romans 6:23** Deal with sin and you have the secret of eternal life! Sin is defined by The Law - no law, no sin! **Romans 3:20.** Science tells us that our bodies are constantly changing - cells are continually being replaced in our bodies - different cells are replaced at different rates. All are replaced in cycles. We also experience growth and decline. So we are left with the question: What mechanism within us triggers the decline cycle, especially when the cells are continually being replaced? God provides the answer - SIN! All the washing by soap cannot erase the stain of sin in our lives. It is not uncommon for a woman, who has been sexually abused, to want to wash

herself continuously to wash away the sin that has been forced upon her! She feels so unclean!! Only the blood of Jesus Christ will wash away the deep stains of sin!

" Come now, and let us reason together, says the Lord. Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool. If you are willing and obedient, You shall be eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, You shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken " **Isaiah 1: 18 – 20.**

Do you hear? The Almighty God Creator God wants to reason with us, (I am a mere mortal and insignificant person!). In His eyes we are very special and important - VIP's ! (a very important person).

g. All things are naked and open to Him whom we have to present our accounts. No secret accounts, no hidden money. Complete honesty. We dress-up to cover our nakedness to make ourselves presentable, mainly for modesty reasons, and for keeping up with the fashions. Translated into the spiritual realm, the words are a clear reference to sins and unwanted passengers we carry around in our bodies. We can picture our bodies as being a bus which has a driver (ourselves) and passengers on board - some we love and some we have inherited. We will never kick-off our bus passengers we love - even if they are detrimental to our well-being! Each one of us to give a full account for our actions, or inactions, on Judgment Day, when Jesus Christ will judge everyone. **2 Corinthians 5:10**, **Revelations 20: 11- 15**. Sin causes death *"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"*. **Romans 6: 23**. Laws of the land and God's laws define sin. *" Where there is no law there is no sin"* **Romans 4: 15** No one with unforgiven sins can enter heaven (that is no one whose sins have not been washed in The Blood of The Lamb). **Revelations 21: 8**, **1 Corinthians 6:9 -11**.

Who can honestly say that they are not a sinner? We are all sinners. The difference between us is that some of us have had our sins washed clean by the blood of Jesus Christ when we confess them, whilst the rest refuse to admit our sins before God.

1 John 1: 7,9 *" But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.... If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness".* The blood takes the "un" out of the word unrighteous, so we are now made "righteous"!

Question: What is the correlation between sin and "creatures"?

Answer: The second of the Ten Commandments is the total ban on idolatry, or worshipping idols. **Exodus 20: 4 -6**, **Deuteronomy 5: 8- 10**. In the Old Testament, God calls this act an "abomination" (God thought it was an utterly detestable act to worship Satan or an image, other than Himself, the Creator, the God). **Deuteronomy 7: 25** In the New Testament the act of idolatry is revealed to be actual worship of demons **1 Corinthians 10: 20**. Ultimately the question boils down to control - who controls us - God or Satan? The Kingdom of Heaven of the Kingdom of Satan and this world. When a man has a demon in him then that demon controls that man (read Mark chapter 5 of a man with a demon called Legion. When the demon was cast out of the man he became sane - He was made whole, and cleansed). There is hope for us yet!!

" Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." **Matthew 5: 8**

We are beings created in God's image. We have been "fearfully and wonderfully made" **Psalm 139: 14** - we are a marvelous creation - a delicately being created in God's own image, in His likeness. We were created so that everything within us (body, soul and spirit Hebrews 4:12) works together in harmony, and with God.

We were meant to be like a beautifully constructed musical instrument (like a piano) designed to be tuned in with our Creator, and playing His music. Disharmony entered into our lives when Adam sinned. As Adam's descendents, we have inherited a sinful image, an image of Satan, not of God.

Let The Holy Spirit change you! Let Him begin the work by confessing your sins so that you can experience the cleansing power of Jesus Christ's blood. Only then will He open your eyes to see how beautiful Jesus Christ is! In return, He will make us beautiful.

" But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed Into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. " 2 Corinthians 3: 18

" Are being Transformed" Here is the vital key to the kingdom of God! This phrase is a translation of the Greek word "metamorphoo" which has two "tenses" - present indicative and passive. It refers back to "we" passively, who are presently in the process of being transformed by God now and into the future. We must be passive, and God does all the work! This transforming process is mirrored in the way we are being born again - we are passive and God is active. *Jesus said to Nicodemus " Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God".* The meaning of these words is hidden in the Greek tenses is the key to Christian life - the words *"born again"* are in the present indicative passive tense meaning that there is a definite point in time of our lives where we become convicted of our sins, become repentant, and are physically baptized (fully immersed and covered) in water, are baptized in The Holy Spirit (we are completely immersed in the Spirit's power and presence), and receive a baptism in Fire (fully immersed in the cleansing work of the Holy Spirit as we follow carefully in Jesus' footsteps) as we are being made holy. *We, " who were born, not of blood, nor the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. " John 3:3,* must continually be *"led by the Spirit" Romans 8: 1, 14.* Living a "Christian life" by the flesh will bring nothing good upon us - it will be hard going, and we will not make-it into Heaven. *"It's not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit says the Lord" Zechariah 4: 6* You may be wondering why I keep on repeating the three baptisms of Jesus Christ. The reason is simple - for here is another vital key to a successful Christian life in The Spirit! The three Baptisms show who is in control of us!

Study, memorise, and hide these thoughts in your heart - these words provide you with the keys to living the Christian life.

We must be so focused on being pure (holy)that we will give-up all to achieve it! We do it by total submission to Him. **Romans 12:1-2.** If we can do this then we are on track to knowing the mind and heart of our Creator Father. He will then be able to start the process of transforming us into His own image, the original image in which He created Adam. When you agape or love unconditionally as God does, and respond with the same agape to God by offering yourself to Him as a living sacrifice, then you will grow in His agape. **John 3:16 c/- 1 John 3:16**

This is what Jesus Christ meant when He told the young man who thought he wanted eternal life more than anything in the world:

*"You must agape the Lord your God with all your mind, soul, and strength.
The second commandment is: Thou shall agape your neighbour as yourself".*

The secret for fulfilling these two commandments is to agape yourself first to God, that is, die to yourself, offer yourself as a living sacrifice to Heavenly Father, then and only then, will we be able to begin a life in The Spirit (for God is Spirit).

Agape is offering oneself, passively, as a living sacrifice to almighty God, just as He offered His own Son Jesus Christ, to be a ransom price for you and me! This is a perfect example of agape.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled” Matthew 5: 6

6. The New Covenant - written in koine Greek

Koine Greek is the Greek ordinary folks spoke at the time of Christ, as distinct from classical Greek (as in Homer, Iliad etc.)

When a person makes a new Will, one of the first things written is to make all previous Wills null and void. Similarly, God has a New Will in The New Testament, making the Old Covenant (recorded in the Hebrew language) a record of history, but legally “null and void”. The New Will has legal and spiritual effect. Holy men recorded God’s words in the koine Greek language under the inspiration of The Holy Spirit **2 Peter 1:20-21** , **2 Timothy 4: 16-17**. It is therefore important that we have an appreciation of some key Greek words relevant to the topic of Healing. Precision in understanding leads to precision in receiving precise healing for whatever within us!

Let us now have a look at four Greek words used to describe healing.

4. HEALING - 4 IMPORTANT GREEK WORDS –the most important is *Sozo*

There are four Greek words used to describe healing in the New Covenant. This discussion is based on “ Vines Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words” unabridged version. Of necessity, this discussion is very full. You will end-up knowing much about some Greek words and their various meanings. Bear with me, the exercise will be immensely rewarding, giving the reader a deep understanding and full understanding of how we can receive healing.

The Greek words are: *Therapeuo*, *Iaomai*, and *Diasozo*. and *Sozo*.

(1) **Therapeuo**. According to Vines, the word means “ primarily signifies to serve as a thereupon, an attendant; then, to care for the sick, to treat, cure, heal (English, therapeutics). It is chiefly used in Matthew and Luke, once in John (5:10), and after the Acts, only in Rev.13:3, and 12.

Comment: Compassion is involved.

(2) **Iaomai**. To heal is used (a) **of physical treatment** 22 times; in Matt,15:28, Authorised Version “made whole,” Revised Version “healed;” so in Acts 9:34; (b) figuratively, **of spiritual healing**, Matt. 13:15; John 12:40; Acts 28:27; Heb 12:13; 1 Pet. 2:24; possibly Jas. 5:16 includes both (a) and (b).....Luke, the physician, uses the word fifteen times.

Comment: Healing is both physical and spiritual.

(3) **Diasozo**. **To save thoroughly** (*dia*, through, and (No.3), is translated “heal” in Luke 7:3 (Revised Version, “save”).

Comment: to save is to be healed.

(4) **Sozo**. To save, is translated by the verb to heal in the Authorised Version (AV) of Mark 5:23 and Luke 8:36 (Revised Version, to make whole; so AV, frequently); the idea is that of saving from disease and its effects. See **Save** [page 1003]

Save, **sozo**, to save is used (as with the noun *soteria*, salvation)

(a) of material and temporal **deliverance from danger, suffering**

- etc. e.g. Matt 8:25; Mark 13:20; Luke 23:35; John 12:27, 1 Tim 2:15; 2 Tim 4:18 (AV, "preserve"); Jude 5;
from sickness, Matt 9:22, "made...whole"(R.V., marg. "saved";
 so Mark 5:34; Luke 8:48; Jas 5:15
- (b) of the **spiritual and eternal salvation granted immediately by God to those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ**, e.g. Acts 2:47, R.V. " (those that) were being saved;" 16:31; Rom 8:24, R.V., "were we saved;" Eph 2:5,8; 1 Tim 2:4; 2 Tim 1:9; Tit.3:5; of human agency in this, Rom11:14; 1 Cor.7:16; 9:22;
 - (c) of **the present experience of God's power to deliver from the bondages of sin**, e.g., Matt.1:21; Rom. 5:10; 1Cor.15:2; Heb.7:25; Jas.1:21; 1Pet.3:21; of human agency in this, 1 Tim.4:16;
 - (d) of **the future deliverance of believers at the Second Coming of Christ for His saints**, being deliverance from the wrath of God to be executed upon the ungodly at the close of this age and from eternal doom, e.g. Rom. 5:9;
 - (e) of the deliverance of the nation of Israel at the Second Advent of Christ, e.g. Rom.11:26;
 - (f) **inclusively for all the blessings bestowed by God on men in Christ**, e.g., Luke 19:10; John 10:9; 1 Cor.10:33; 1 Tim 1:15;
 - (g) of those who endure to the end of the time of the great tribulation, Matt.10:22; Mark 13:13;
 - (h) Of the individual believer, who, though losing his reward at the Judgment-Seat of Christ hereafter, will not lose his salvation, 1 Cor.3:15; 5:5;
 - (i) of the deliverance of the nations at the Millennium, Rev.21:24 (in some Manuscripts). "

SUMMARY OF THE ABOVE DISCUSSION ON HEALING (see words in **bold** above):

Therapeuo	means to be healed by a care-giver, a compassionate person. Jesus Christ is that person.
Iaomai	means both physical and spiritual healing. Touch Jesus and be healed in His name, now!
Diasozo	means thoroughly healed, or completely healed. Your healing will be immediate and full! [[Ask and you will receive. Matthew 7:7-12]
Sozo	means deliverance from danger and suffering, spiritual salvation for eternal life, deliverance from the power of sin, looking to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ - salvation from judgment to those who endure to the end for believers, and the nation of Israel, and receipt of all the blessings of Jesus Christ.

Thus we can say that Healing is:

"Deliverance from danger, suffering, sickness, spiritual and eternal salvation granted immediately by God to those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ; the present experience of God's power to deliver from the bondages of sin; the future deliverance of believers at the Second Coming of Christ for His saints, inclusively for all the blessings bestowed by God on men in Christ."

Almighty God created us all with the potential for eternal life and abundant life in His continuing presence - an idyllic life in the Garden of Eden. Adam and Eve, our forefather, chose to serve Satan, the devil. **Genesis Chapters 2 & 3**. This original sin resulted in the separation from God, and resulted in estrangement from God for the human race. bringing illness into each one of our bodies - in body, soul (mind, emotions) and spirit. **Hebrews 4:12-12**. Restoration of the

relationship and all that is within us is the primary concern of God, and should be ours as well.

In The Old Covenant, Sin was dealt with by a blood sacrifice made by the sinner before a priest. This was open acknowledgement of the need to get right with God, or atonement. In the New Covenant, Jesus Christ is the ultimate blood sacrifice – His Blood was shed once and for all, as The Lamb of God, for the forgiveness of sins! **John 1:29, Hebrews 9: 14, 22, 28; 10: 19- 22.**

“ The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world” John 1:19

5. HEALING & OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

Healing of His people in The Old Covenant is always conditional upon obedience to God's statutes. In the New Covenant people had to obey Jesus Christ or go to Him. We are healed and being healed when we walk under God's Will, His protection.

The history of His chosen people, the Hebrews, or Israelites, is one of disobedience to His commandments. The outward manifestation of this rebellion was in idolatry – worship of idols, which are demons and a lot of mumbling and grumbling. **1 Corinthians 10:20.** Punishment took the form of conquerors, sicknesses, and natural calamities such as famines, earthquakes. Is the history of His chosen people, our personal history, and your history? **Psalms 136**

These thoughts are dramatically mentioned by God for the first time in the Old Covenant after He brought them out of Egypt by His mighty hand with a series of 10 dramatic divine interventions in nature known in Jewish history as the 10 Plagues of Exodus, or simply, The Exodus. When the Israelites murmured or revealed their resentment and rebellious hearts against Moses and therefore against God (a remarkable reaction when you read what happened in the 10 great plagues), Moses warned them with this crystal clear message from God:

“ If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you.”

Exodus 15: 26

The Exodus which means “out of” [Egypt], is the most defining moment in Israelite history. They went into the Promised Land flowing with milk and honey **Exodus 3: 8,17** (provided on a silver platter for them by the nations God conquered for them). Its application for us today is – out of this world into Heaven, out of the Kingdom of Hell into the Kingdom of Heaven. The Israelites memorized and recited The Exodus to remind themselves of how sinful we can be, how Great God is – full of loving kindness, and how He saved their whole nation!

*“ Today, If you will hear His voice,
Do not harden your hearts.”
For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken another day.
There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.*

Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall after the same example of Disobedience. ”

For the word of God is living and powerful,

*and sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,
and of joints and marrow
and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him
to whom we must give account."*

Hebrews 4: 7b -13

Comment: I have taken the liberty of quoting extra verses of this scripture to set the words in their wider context. Stop! Think! Look! Rest! Let us not be disobedient and go tearing around doing God's work for Him! Rest is rest! If you have not entered in God's rest, you are in deep trouble! Maybe that is why you are sick! Maybe that is why you are so tired, run-down, all the time!

Let the pure word of God do its work in your body - it is sharper than any surgeon's scalpel, for it
Cuts between soul and spirit
Heals between joints and marrow (arthritis, rheumatism etc.)
Discerns my heart's thoughts (rationalizations) and motives
To reveal unclean spirits
So that we can present our accounts of Holiness, of obedience to the Lord!

The Old Covenant atonement system is fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ, in The New Covenant. The blood of Jesus Christ flowed from the Calvary Cross, and has never lost its power to bring salvation in us!

" ***Behold, The Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.*** "
John1:29

eight world 公
Lamb Me 義

The Chinese words 'Goong Yee" (Cantonese transliteration), mean the one word righteousness and dramatically symbolize a God who cares and is vitally concerned with our welfare spiritually, psychologically and physically. Jesus Christ is the Lamb over Me. It also symbolizes God's concern with our household. Goong = eight out of the whole world , Noah's household, my own household! Noah and his household were saved in the Ark (the Ark represents Jesus Christ).

This is the best definition of righteousness that I know of. The words (in Chinese) are a full summary of the Gospel message. These two characters are the "Open Air Campaigner's" dream picture story!

The manifestation of God on earth through His Son, The Lamb of God, - His power (*dunamis* or *dynamite-like*, and *exousis* or *authority*) over the physical nature (wind, sea, mountains) was also evident in His works which dramatically showed Jesus Christ's mastery over sin, all sicknesses, demons (spiritual world) and death. His death, resurrection, and ascension into Heaven, sealed the complete fulfillment of God's plan of salvation of mankind - for you and for me and for our own household!

" ***Believe on the Lord Jesus and you and your household will be saved.*** " **Acts 16:31**
Believe on the Lord Jesus and shalt be saved thou and the household of thee. (*Literal from Greek words*)
pisteuo epi ton kurios Iesous kai sozese kai ho oikos sou. (English-Greek)
[root word is sozo]

The full meaning of the act of salvation "***Will be saved***" is to be found in the meaning of the Greek word **sozo** ,(salvation) - this includes full restoration

of our health in the fullest sense of the word (as discussed earlier); and, in the Greek word *pisteuo* (to believe) -

"**pisteuo**" means "to believe, also to be persuaded of, and hence, to place confidence in, to trust, reliance upon. (Vines p.118)

Comment: Fill your mind with God's thoughts all the time!

His ways and not our ways. His thoughts are not our thoughts, but they can be!

" For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways, says he Lord " **Isaiah 55: 8**

6. SOME IMPORTANT OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES

" If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God, and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you. " **Exodus 15:26**

Healing is conditional upon obedience.

" If my people who are called by My name will **humble** themselves, and pray and **seek** My face, and **turn** from their wicked ways,

Then

I will hear from heaven,
and will forgive their sin
and heal their land.

Now,

My eyes will be open and
My ears attentive to prayer made in this place.

For now I have chosen and sanctified this ***house** [**my body is the temple of The Holy Spirit**] , that

My name may be there forever; and

My eyes and

My heart will be there perpetually

As for you, if you **walk** before Me as your father David walked, and

do according to all that I have commanded you,

and if you **keep** My statutes and My judgments,

then

I will establish the throne of your ****kingdom** [**** Jesus will enthrone Himself in our Body- The Temple of The Holy Spirit**] , as I covenanted with David your father saying You shall never fail to have a man as ruler in Israel [**Jesus is The Ruler in my body**] "

* In The Old Covenant, the Temple was the centre of worship. God appeared there, The Ark of the Covenant was there. In the New Testament our body is the temple of the Holy Spirit **1 Corinthians 3: 18: 19; 6: 19-20.**

2 Chronicles 7:14-18

" Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed;

Save me and I shall be saved,

For you are my praise " **Jeremiah 17: 14**

Comment: Confess this with your mouth now. Say it out loud! Repeat it louder!

"If you [I] confess with your [my mouth] mouth the Lord Jesus and
believe in your [my] heart that God has raised Him from the dead,
you [I] will be saved.

For with the heart one believes to righteousness, and

with the mouth confession is made to salvation "

Romans 10:9-10

The Greek word for salvation is *sozo* which means salvation in its fullest sense – being translated into the Kingdom of light from the kingdom of darkness, healing of our body, and healing or deliverance from the power of Satan, from unclean spirits. A total healing of our body, soul and spirit!

" By His stripes I am healed"

Isaiah 53:5

Comment: Healing has already been achieved for us on The Cross of Calvary Reading God's Words about how He heals all manners of diseases can only build our faith up in His power to heal us

If we read the healing acts of Jesus Christ found in the 4 accounts of the Gospel, this will not only build-up our faith in Jesus Christ "the same, yesterday, today and forever"

" For I am the LORD who healeth thee " **Exodus 15: 26**

" Bless the Lord, O my soul;

And all that is within me, Bless His holy name!

Who forgives all your [my] iniquities,

Who heals all your [my] diseases " **Psalm 103:1,3**

" The LORD.....heals the broken hearted And binds up their wounds "

Psalm 147: 3

" My son, give attention to my words;

Incline your ear to my sayings.

Do not let them depart from your eyes;

Keep them in the midst of your heart;

For they are life to those who find them,

And health to their flesh "

Proverbs 4: 20-22

Comment: Giving God's words our closest attention, Inclining our ear (bending over, humbling ourselves) , keeping God's words in our eyes and in the midst of our heart will give us life and health to our flesh! WE can enjoy the abundant life promised to us

" I have come that they [I] may have life, and that they [I] may have it more abundantly"

John 10 :10

I recommend that you read Derek Prince's discussion on tape or booklet on God's Medicine Bottle (see Bibliography)

" Therefore, all those who devour you shall be devoured

And all your adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity;

Those who plunder you shall become plunder,

And all who prey upon you I will make a prey,

For

I will restore health to you

And heal you of your wounds says the LORD " **Jeremiah 30: 16-17a**

" I will heal their backsliding

I will love them freely "

Hosea 14:4

" Then he went out to the source of the water, and cast in salt there, and said, " Thus says the LORD: 'I have healed this water; form it there shall be no more death or barrenness'

2. All that came to Him were healed

Power goes out of a compassionate Jesus to heal all, great multitudes

3. All sick, afflicted, diseases, torments, demon-possessed, epileptics, paralytics healed

“ Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him *all sick* people who were *afflicted* with various *diseases* and *torments*, and those who were *demon possessed* , *epileptics*, *paralytics*; and He healed them.

Matthew 4:24

“ And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. *And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.*”

Luke 6: 17-19

“Great multitudes followed Him, and *He healed them all*”

Matthew 12: 15, Matthew 14: 14

4. Healing of eyes

Demoniac who was Blind and Mute cured. “ Then one was brought to Him who was *demon-possessed, blind and mute*; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man spoke and saw”

Matthew 12:22

Blindness at Bethsaida Mark 8:22,26

Man born blind cured at Jerusalem John 9: 1- 34

- This invokes an extraordinary response from the hierarchy – the man is excommunicated !

2 Blind men cured Matt 9:27-31

Blind men cured Mt 20:30, Mk10:46, Lk 6:5

Elymas stricken with blindness Acts 13:11

Saul's recovery of sight Acts 9:17-18; 22:12,13

5. Healing of ears

Jesus heals the right ear of the High Priest's servant

“ And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus answered and said, “*Permit even this.*” And He touched his ear and healed him”

Luke 22: 50-51

Deaf and dumb man Mk 7:31-37

6. Fever or sick

Sick man at pool by Sheep Gate in Jerusalem – takes up his bed and walks, Sabbath John 5: 1-9

Nobleman's son cured of fever John 4: 46-54

Peter's mother-in-law healed Matt 8: 14, Mark 1:30, Lk 4:38

Centurion's servant healed Mt 8:5 Lk 7:1

Dropsy cured Lk 14: 1-6

Encas healed of palsy by Peter Acts 9:33- 34

5. Healing of mouth –Dumb man who was demon-possessed

6. Healing of legs – Lame man

Lame man at Beautiful Gate of the Temple Acts 3

7. Healing of arms, hands

Man's withered hand Mt 12:10, Mk 3:1, Lk 6:6

8. Hemorrhage / blood

Heals a woman with a flow of blood

“ Now a woman, having a flow of blood [hemorrhage] for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, “*Who touched me?*” When all had denied it, Peter and those with him said, “Master, the multitudes throng You and press You, and You say, “ *Who touched Me?*” But Jesus said, “*Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me.*” Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, “*Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace.*”

Luke 8: 43-50

Comment: The woman was desperate – spent all her money on doctors, yet was unhealed. She reached out in desperation and touched Jesus' garment secretly. Her faith in Him healed her! Do we have such faith *to reach out* to Jesus for our healing?

Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God – read on...!!! Let your faith in Jesus Christ grow! As you read God's pure words!

9. Leprosy

10 lepers healed Lk 17: 11-21

Leper man with much publicity Mt 8:2, Mk 1:40, Lk 5:12

10. Paralytic

Paralytic cured Matt 9:2, Mk 2:3, Lk 5:18

11. Demons

Cleansing of The Temple by Jesus Christ “ throwing out the money changers (robbers) ” – twice, at beginning and at the end of His ministry on earth

34. 1st by Jesus Christ

35. 189

Devil cast out of a boy Matt 17:14; Mk 9:14; Lk 18:35

Unclean spirits cast out by Philip Acts 8: 6-7

Spirit of divination cast out of a damsel by Paul Acts 16: 16-18

Evil spirit puts to flight Seva's 7 sons who are itinerant exorcists Acts 19: 13-16

Demoniac healed Mt 8:28, Mk 5:1, Lk 8:26

Demons forbidden to speak

“ Now at evening when the sun had set, they brought to Him all who were sick and those who were demon-possessed. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. Then He healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and He did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew Him”

Mark 1:32-34

Syrophenician's daughter cured by faith of mother after long repartee with Jesus Mt 15: 21- 27

Gerasa Demoniac Mk 5, Mt

Heals the Gerasene demoniac of a legion of demons Mark 5

This is the longest narrative about exorcism or deliverance. It would not be harmful if you meditate on this. Demons may cause people to live in cemeteries, have supernatural strength, make people mad and cause restlessness, to love darkness. Demons control people from within. Demons have emotions, personalities, can talk, recognize Jesus Christ and have to worship Him, can negotiate, prefer to live in people but will live in animals (e.g. Pigs) if they need to, are territorial, cause people to be afraid of Jesus Christ.

A demon such as a Legion (a collective Proper noun) means that a person can have thousands of them living within. A Legion of soldiers is between 3,000 to 4,000 men.

12. Power given to disciples to heal etc., to the Seventy, and the Great Commission.

Power to heal sick, cleanse lepers, raise dead, cast of demons conferred to disciples

Commanded the twelve saying:.... “ preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the **sick**, cleanse the **lepers**, raise the **dead**, **cast out demons**. Freely you have received, freely give”

Matthew 10: 7-8

13. Dead – the following are raised

Widow's son at Nain Lk 7: 11-17

Jairus's daughter Mt 9:23, Mk 5:23, Lk 8:41

Lazarus raised from the dead at Bethany by Jesus John 11: 38-44

Eutychus raised to life by Paul Acts 20: 9-12

Dorcus

14. Some Miracles by Jesus in Nature

Water into Wine Jo 2:1-11

Walks on Water Mt 14:24-33, Mk 6:53-56 Jo 6:16-21, **which Peter does as well only to lose it!**

Calms the storm Mt 13:53, Mk 4:35-41, **Tempestuous seas** Mt 13:53 Mk 4:35-41 ,
 Rebukes the wind
 Lessons of The Bread of Life **Feeds 5,000** Mt 14: 15-21 Lk 9:12-17 Jo 6:4-13 **then**
4,000, Mt 15: 32- 39, Mk 8: 1-10

8. The Importance of The Cross of Calvary

The key to healing in our own bodies lies in understanding why Jesus went on to The Cross, and what was accomplished on it! Here are some answers:

1. The Great Fall when Adam sinned breaking communion (intimate relationship with God), Jesus is the bridge which restores the relationship with God for those who believe in Him.
2. The old Law system ended to be replaced by Grace, and the leading of The Holy Spirit (no system).
3. The old temple system of blood sacrifices for the remission of sins of God's chosen people, the Israelites replaced by Jesus is The Lamb of God slain for the world, once and for all. **John 1: 29**
4. Jesus Christ took upon Himself the sins of the world - the present ones of His day, and the future ones of ours today. **Romans 6: 6- 7 , 1 Peter 1: 18- 19, Ephesians 1: 7**
5. The old Priesthood system ended - each man who is head of his household is now the prophet and priest of His own home. Jesus is yet to return to earth as "The King of Kings". **Ephesians 5 15 - 6: 24 , 1 Peter 3: 1 - 12.**
6. The Temple building was abolished as the centre of religious life where the spirit of God appeared. Worship is now in "spirit and in truth" and a believer's temples (physical body) is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. **1 Corinthians 3: 16- 17, 6: 19- 20.**
7. Jesus Christ took upon Himself all our sicknesses " by His stripes we are healed" . **Isaiah 53: 5, 1 Peter 2: 24.**
8. Jesus Christ crushed the power of Satan and his demons. This was "the coup de grace" of Satan's power over a believer (Jesus' ministry revealed His master over demons when He cast them out of people). **Colossians 2: 15**
9. Jesus Christ established a road to heaven which would get every one to the destination because He paved the way. " I am going to prepare a place for you" " I am the Way , The Truth, and The Life, no man can come to the Father but by Me" . **John 14: 6, Enter by the narrow way. Matthew 7: 13 - 14.**

Jesus Christ died on a Cross along with two sinners. He was lifted up on to a Cross, probably around 1 metre or so off the ground. He was on full public view probably near a roadway which was the Roman custom to warn others (this is, of course, at variance with the popular view that He was set high up on a hill - there is no valid reason to believe that the Romans departed from their standard procedures especially as three were put on crosses together). Matthew and Mark clearly talk about " *those passing by were hurling abuse at Him*" (**Matthew 27: 39, Mark 15: 29**)

Read: **Matthew 27: 35-44, Mark 15: 24- 32, Luke 23:33b - 43, John 19: 18- 27**

Jesus refers to the need for each one of us to lift Him up in our midst so that we will be healed if we look at Him, and gain eternal life:

" *And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.* " **John 3: 14- 15**

What does this mean?

a. "as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness " This is a reference to healing for those bitten by "fiery serpents".

" Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very discouraged on the way. And the people spoke against God and against Moses: ' Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our soul loathes this worthless bread.' So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people; and many of the people died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, 'We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD that he take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it shall live.' So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived. " **Numbers 21: 4 – 9**

NOTE:

- (1) The people of Israel became very discouraged and so spoke out against God and Moses. Do we blame God for things when they don't go our way? If you ever have, or are doing it now, stop! Repent. Those in the wilderness repented, but only after God punished them with fiery serpents.
- (2) God has sent us out to die in the wilderness. Wrong. God had in fact rescued them from Pharaoh, from slavery. Remember they cried out because of their hardships. God rescued them by 10 great miracles. They experienced these miracles and saw the Egyptians suffer from them. God took them into the wilderness because they had to pass through it to get to the Promised Land, a land flowing with milk and honey! All they had to do was to occupy the land and its abundance – the booty was theirs for the taking. And yet they mumbled and grumbled on the way there. They spent 40 years in the end getting to the Promised Land. It was a time of testing for their disobedience. Because of their rebellious attitudes, and stubbornness not to listen to God, or His spokesperson Moses, not one made it to the Promised Land, not even Moses. If you can identify with such thoughts and actions, stop it, immediately, Repent. Unless you do this you will not make it into Heaven. **The Book of Exodus, summarized in Psalm 78 and Psalm 105.**
- (3) No food. our soul loathes this worthless bread They called God's provision for them, the manna, "worthless". The emotion is stronger, they loathed it! When God blesses you, don't call His provision worthless. You have the problem, not God. Think about this. They were in the wilderness. Every morning they went out to gather manna, enough food for the day. On the Friday they gathered twice as much for there was no manna from heaven on the Sabbath. If they had any manna left over on the week days, it turned to worms, but not on the Sabbath. Miraculous. Yet they were dissatisfied. Food came to them supernaturally. It tasted like honey and melted in their mouths. All they had to do was to gather it up. "Money for jam" you could say, yet they were unhappy. Discontentment is a major problem. Be content with God has given you. Praise His name for His provision!
- (4) No water. This was provided by later by God in His own time – the water flowed from a rock. There were 600,000 men or thereabouts, not including women and children, and livestock. There could have been easily, over 2 million people and animals. Imagine how much water there was flowing from one stone! That is around the population of Auckland metropolitan area, or half the population of Singapore. Do you think God is dumb? He knows your needs. He will provide and meet us when we are ready to receive from Him, not when we want Him to do it!
- (5) So the LORD sent fiery serpents God is not deaf! He will punish us if we are rebellious against His word. So, many died. He brought them to their knees. They repented. Perhaps your sickness is as a result of sin or

hidden sin in your life. Perhaps you need to repent, and petition God to forgive you. They did. God heard and provided the solution, but it still required their obedience.

- (6) Moses made a bronze serpent which was lifted up, and when they looked at it they were healed. Not all were healed. Those that died had no chance to look. It was only after the bronze serpent was made, as God directed, that those who looked after they were bitten were healed. Satan, like the fiery serpents, is ever lurking like a lion trying to tear us apart. **1 Peter 5: 8** If you have been bitten by him then you can be healed – look at Jesus Christ! If you have been torn apart you can be made whole!

b. even so must the Son of Man be lifted up

" Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. And if I be lifted up from the earth, [I] will draw all peoples to myself " **John 12: 31-32**

c. that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

8a. THE SIGN OVER JESUS CHRIST'S CROSS

" **THIS IS JESUS THE NAZARENE, THE KING OF THE JEWS**" [this quote is an extrapolation of the 4 Accounts by the gospel writers]

Mt 27: 37 [omits THE NAZARENE,

Mk 15: 26 [omits THIS IS JESUS THE NAZARENE],

Lk 23:38 [omits THIS IS JESUS THE NAZARENE]

Jo 19:19 [omits THIS IS]

Jesus, The Nazarene - The name Jesus is a transliteration of the Hebrew "Joshua" meaning 'Jehovah is salvation', i.e. 'is the saviour' (Vines). Note the association with the Greek word *sozo* - 'salvation'. He was from Nazareth in Galilee **Mt 2: 23**, a place with a reputation as being a sinful place **John 1: 47- 49**. Some of us could have been born in a place which was like Nazareth, so no matter how bad the environment there is hope for us. No slum, no amount of poverty, no disadvantaged history can prevent us from being called by Jesus Christ! All we have to do is to follow Him when we hear Him calling! Notably missing are the words "The Christ" or Messiah or "anointed One". Here the appeal is the full humanity of Jesus, not His divinity.

The King of the Jews - The Roman conquerors were ruthless, oppressive rulers. The whole nation was suffering under the taxation system and brutal, iron-fisted rule. The time was ripe for revolution. To many Jews, the expectation was for a King to come and save them militarily. The problem was that this King was to be a Lamb who would be slain for the sins of the nation, for the whole world. **John 1:29**. Pontius Pilate's words were placed above Jesus Christ's head written in Hebrew, Latin and Greek **John 19:20b** It ended the tremendous conflicts and indecision within Pilate who desperately wanted to release Jesus Christ from the Jews' clutches (for his wife sent him a message not to have anything to do with Him for she had suffered during the night **Matthew 27: 19**). For Pilate, it was an emphatic and final closure of the case. Christians look forward to The Second Coming of Jesus Christ as "**King of Kings and Lord of Lords**" **Revelations 19:16**. For many Jews, and Moslems, this will be the first coming – however, many are now repenting and becoming Christians, just as many did when Jesus Christ rose from the outside the walls of Jerusalem some 2,000 years ago. Do you know that Jesus is the Lamb King of the Jews? Do you know that He is the coming King at the end of this age? Do you know that Jesus The Christ [the Anointed One of God] can be over you as Lamb of God and King of your life? The

King

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Chinese word for "Righteous" is a composite word of "Lamb" (which is also the word for "King") over the Chinese word for "Me". Isn't this A dramatic picture for my relationship with The Lamb of God?. He's always over me! If He is, then I'm always "righteous" -covered by The Blood of the Lamb!

[If you want to read what was going through Jesus' mind whilst he was on The Cross read Psalms 22, and, Matthew 26: 36-46, Mark 14:32-42, Luke 22: 40b- 46]

8b. The 7 phrases uttered by Jesus on The Cross

Jesus Christ uttered seven sets of words (phrases) on The Cross. These words reveal the total significance of the Cross for us today. They are the keys to open the door to our understanding and experience of God's saving Grace on Calvary.

1. " **TRULY I SAY TO YOU, TODAY YOU SHALL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE**" Luke 23: 43

There were two criminals crucified on either side of Jesus.

Passers by hurled abuse at Jesus, mocking Him "You who are Going to destroy the temple and rebuilt it in three days, save Yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the Cross." Matt 27:40. The chief priests, scribes and elders mocked Him saying: " *He saved others; He cannot save Himself.* "

Come...
follow
Me



Mark 15: 31 " *Let this Christ, the King of Israel, now come down from the Cross, so that we may see and believe.* " Mark 15: 32 And one of the criminals

"hurled abuse at Him saying, 'Are you the Christ? Save yourself and us!' But the other answered, rebuking him said, 'Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our deed: but this man has done nothing wrong.' And he was saying, 'Jesus, remember me when you come to your kingdom!' And He said to him, " *Truly I say to you, today you shall be with me in Paradise!* " Luke 23: 39-43

Two sinners. One went to Heaven and the other to hell. Which sinner are you? Where do you want to go when you die? Do the words of these sinners and religious leaders ring bells in your mind? The Chinese word above is the word "Come!" There are three men there - can you see them? Two small ones flanking the big man! Jesus said: Come, follow Me and I will make you fishers of men!" A follower of Jesus has to forsake all! What will you give for eternal life? Is giving all too big a price? God gave His darling Son. John 3:16. "Come" in Chinese means:



- + There are three people on their own Crosses
- + Two are sinners - only one is saved. Which one are you? The one on the Left hand side or the one on the right hand side of Jesus ?
- + The big third person is Jesus The Christ, the one who saves
- + The one who is saved (and being saved) has to carry his own Cross, following in the footsteps of his Saviour, Jesus Christ
- + Death to the self, daily so that Christ can magnify Himself in our body, the Temple of The Holy Spirit Jo 12:24, Gal 2:20, Phil 1:21, Acts 17: 28, 1 Cor 6: 20
- + "Carrying a Cross" is symbolic of presenting ourselves as a living sacrifice daily to the Lord Romans 12: 1-2.
- + Being led by the Holy Spirit daily Romans 8: 1, 8: 14

Matthew 10: 38
1 Peter 2: 21

Do you want to hear these beautiful words- "*Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise*"? You will hear them everyday if you walk in the above!

[You can use the Chinese words "Goong Yee" and "Come" illustrations for evangelism - the Gospel story can be retold using these words. They are the most powerful, effective and meaningful words I have ever come across]

2. " FATHER FORGIVE THEM; FOR THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY ARE DOING. " Luke 23: 34

Jesus uttered these words as the soldiers were nailing Him to The Cross.

Father (Greek 'Abba') - 'Abba is the word framed by the lips of infants, and betokens unreasoning trust; "father" expresses an intelligent apprehension of the relationship. The two together express the love and intelligent confidence of the child.' (op. cit. Vines, Abba). We can be this Father for our own children. If we did not enjoy such a relationship with our own natural father by birth, then we can know our Heavenly Father, Jesus' Father, since when we become a Christian, Jesus Christ lives in us **Galatians 2:20** and we become a child of God **John 1:12** and Jesus' brother! **Luke 8:21**. Our Father in Heaven will cuddle us and carry us about in His arms **Luke 15:4-7, Exodus 19: 4b**, protecting us with His loving-kindness **Psalms 36: 7-9, Psalm 91**.

Forgive- Jesus is pleading to His Father to grant unconditional forgiveness to all those involved with the heinous crime of murdering Him. The Holy Spirit reveals that Jesus Christ was also saying that He regarded those who were murdering Him, his friends! This is astounding to me!

" *And someone will say to him, 'What are those wounds in your hands? Then he will answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends'* " **Zechariah 13: 6**

Just as Jesus Christ forgives us our sins, so we must forgive others who sin against us! We must do this, immediately, straight from our hearts.

They do not know what they are doing- Those who were involved with Jesus' murder, did not know what they were doing. Peter, on the day when the Holy Spirit entered into the world reaffirmed this fact, " *Men of Israel, here these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know - Him, being delivered by determined counsel and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, crucified, and put to death;* " **Acts 2: 22-23** The words on that first Pentecostal Day cut into the hearts of the listeners - about 3,000 repented and were baptized in Jesus Christ's name. **Acts 2: 38-39**.

We too, can go through life in blissful ignorance of our actions and how we damage others, until one day The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sins, cutting into our hearts. We, too, need to Repent, and be baptised in Jesus' name. Once, we too did not know what we were doing, but we did it anyway.

"Forgive them", How gracious and understanding are these words! The utter physical shock and pain of the nails being driven in, only to say - "Forgive"! How much more do we need to forgive those who sin against us for much lesser deeds! A lack of forgiveness leads to bitterness, and this leads to hatred - only a hop-step-and-a-jump away!

them (read: "me") - The soldiers knew what they were doing all right - they were following orders and doing a job they had done many times before. There is a certain pathos about the word - they had to do their job. However, the words applied also to the religious leaders who ought to have known better. Jealousy is a very powerful emotion. Pilate knew that the Jews were envious of Jesus and hated him. **Matthew 27: 18, Mark 15: 10**. None of us can afford to harbour jealousy! If you have it, let it go, Confess in your heart, then go and ask the one you are jealous of to forgive you! Do it! Your life depends on it! How can our Father in Heaven forgive us if we will not forgive those who trespass against us? **Matthew 6:12**

Read: about The Unmerciful servant **Matthew 18: 23- 35**

The Prodigal son and his elder brother **Luke 15: 11-32**

3. " MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME? " op cit. Psalm 22:1; Mt 27: 46b Mk 15:33-37

9am. Jesus Christ was placed on The Cross sometime after at 9am, outside Jerusalem. As the Jews considered a corpse to be defiling, no one could be crucified within the city walls. The Jews put the sins of the nation onto a goat and cast it out of the city, hence the term "scapegoat". Our sins were placed on Him, my scapegoat, and the world's scapegoat!

12 noon-3pm. Between Noon and 3pm the world experienced total darkness. The sun suddenly lost its light. It was not covered by clouds. This was and is unprecedented in world history. (There are two other incidents where God intervened at interfered with the sun and moon - Joshua 10:12-15 [the sun and moon stood still for Joshua about a day over Gibeon], and 2 Kings 20:1-11 [King Hezekiah wanted confirmation that God will grant him an extra 15 years of life - he is given the choice of the sun going forwards or backwards 10 degrees - he chooses the backward 10 degrees option). Jesus' cry reveals the fact that His Father, turned His eyes away from earth. Perhaps our Heavenly Father did this because He could not bear to see His only beloved Son being murdered so brutally by His own chosen people, and that all the sins and sicknesses of the world were placed upon His body. Certainly Jesus was very aware that for the first time in His life, the intimate relationship He enjoyed with His Abba was suddenly broken. The Darkness also symbolised the role of High Priest, who on this Passover day, the greatest of Jewish festivals, entered into the Holy of Holies to make a sacrifice to God for the sins of the nation. The Holy of Holies was pitch black - the thick curtain totally blacked out the inner sanctuary.

3pm. Jesus uttered these words in anguish. Perhaps you have been in a situation where you were in total despair, when depression overwhelmed you, when grief overtook you, when you "gave-up the will to live! Do not despair. There is the resurrection - Jesus rose from the dead. He suffered the worst mankind, His own people, could throw at Him, and triumphed! He is the light at the end of the tunnel! He is God who has experienced life as we do.

" For this you were called because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps " **1 Peter 2:21**

4. " WOMAN, BEHOLD, YOUR SON ! " " BEHOLD YOUR MOTHER ! " John 19: 26-27

The Pascal Lamb was on The Cross. He was bleeding to death. The tremendous spiritual battle was raging and about to end. There was a small matter to attend to - who would look after mum? There were many people coming and going. According to Roman law, a person at a crucifixion was not allowed to show any emotion (to do so could invite a similar death to what they were witnessing. There were women close to Jesus there, as ones who agaped Jesus, and to support His mother. A mother is not supposed to live to see her son die!

" Woman, behold your son!" This sounds a little harsh to modern English speaking ears. In fact it was a term of respectful, formal address as well as an endearment (Abbot-Smith). Jesus was the eldest son of Joseph and Mary. Joseph appears to have died sometime between when Jesus was 12 and 30. It was His duty to make provision for His mother. The most beloved of His apostles was John, so it was natural that He would give this responsibility to him. Jesus was a man of few words! This is about as simple as it gets! John took her into his household and looked after Mary in Ephesus, according to the historians. Scripture is silent as to the provision for Jesus' brothers and sisters.

5. " I AM THIRSTY " John 19: 28b

Jesus asked for a drink. He had earlier refused to drink a mind-numbing concoction. **Matthew 27: 34, Mark 15: 23.** The Holy Spirit through John tells us that *" a vessel (jar) full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on (a branch) hyssop, and put it to His mouth. "* **John 19: 29 - 29**

These words were spoken at the end of The Cross debate by the two sinners who were crucified on either side of Jesus. Two sinners, one who derided Jesus

Christ, and one who was desperate to be saved! Which one of these sinner types are you? Will you go to heaven or will you go to Hell? Your choice. Jesus asked a Samaritan woman for a drink. This started an amazing conversation which is recorded in John Chapter 4. Jesus says that He will give us water which will quench thirst for ever! " *The water I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life*" **John 4: 14**. Jesus elaborates on this later with these words: " *He who believes in Me, as the scripture has said, out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.*" **John 7: 38**. Do you seek this living water? It is real! It does bubble up from within like living, refreshing water, continuously!

6. " FATHER INTO THY HANDS I COMMIT MY SPIRIT" Luke 23: 46

We have a body, soul and spirit. **Hebrews 4:12** The body and soul belong to the flesh part of us. The spirit is the life that was breathed into Adam when He became a living being - it is "the breathe of God" Genesis 2: The spirit is that which sets us apart from animals. It allows us to be creative, it allows us to know the spiritual world. We were created to know God, to have a relationship with Him. Jesus gave-up His spirit to His daddy. He was both fully man and fully God. The man part of him was left on the Cross. The spirit part of Him departed back to Heaven " In the beginning was the Word, and the word was with God and the word was God" John 1:1 Jesus did it as an act of His will! He committed His spirit into His Father's hands! To be caressed by someone who loves you is the best place to be! In order to get into heaven we must first commit our bodies to Jesus Christ in baptism in water (fully immersed) in Jesus Christ's name. Our body must be "killed", "annihilated" like Jesus' was. We rise up as a new Man, a new creature to be baptized in the Holy Spirit (that is fully immersed in the Spirit of God). The Spirit comes upon us by the laying on of hands or supernaturally. We are then empowered and controlled by the Spirit to follow Him, Jesus Christ's Spirit. Thus we begin the walk in Jesus Christ footsteps, into the baptism of Fire, for cleansing us for holiness. We are continuously led by the Spirit of God Romans 12: 16 or are supposed to be, carrying our own Cross (death to self, to the "flesh", to the world), following Jesus. Father, into thy hands I commit myself, 100%. Take me, mould me, and change me into your likeness as I suffer like you!

7. " IT IS FINISHED !" John 19: 30

Not my will but thy will be done in heaven and earth! Jesus Christ's work was completed on The Cross.

1. He hung suspended between 'heaven and earth' - He is the bridge between God and man.
2. The work of the first Adam was now undone by the "second Adam" - He broke the power of sin over mankind's lives.
3. All the world's sins were placed on Him - His blood was shed as a once-and-for-all sacrifice for sins. How heavy were those sins!
4. All the world's sicknesses, illnesses, were done away by His stripes. His face was marred more than any other's. His body was beaten to pulp by the whip lashes.
5. Satan was defeated at the Cross, finally. Demons tremble at the sound of Jesus' name. He cast them out of people. They put Him on the Cross using people who served him.
6. He broke all curses by being cursed in our place! Anyone dying on a Cross was accursed. The sin of idolatry was broken. All hexes were broken.

Jesus Christ died so that we can have life in all its abundance! **John 10: 10**. The reason why we do not experience "the abundant life" is because of ignorance of our rights as citizens of Heaven. The constitution of each country in the world grants its citizens specific legal rights. We are expected to know what these rights are. Similarly, as all true believers are citizens of heaven, this status confers to its citizen's rights and expectations. We can

understand these when we know about The significance of what Jesus Christ accomplished for us on The Cross.

It is my understanding that the fundamental reason why most of us do not receive healing for anything from Jesus Christ, lies in our ignorance of our "Throne Rights" as children of God or as followers of Jesus Christ. As soon as we are sick we go running to human doctors who at best can only prescribe pharmaceutical medicines which may or may not help our bodies recover and fight the infection or physical ailment. Our instinct is to turn to man for the solution, when we should be looking to Jesus Christ as our Heavenly Doctor.

I would like to share a secret or two with you. A secret or mystery is something which is hidden from our eyes and understanding. Once we know the "secret" the truth becomes simple. The truth is known to the initiated, to those to whom it is a privilege to know, a member or one of the initiated. Here are some home truths contained in key scriptures for those who are in Christ - Christian:

Question: What was Finished?

Answer:

1. **The Temple- Building for our Body.** The Temple of Jerusalem, centre of religious life ended. Jesus The Christ fulfilled its threefold purpose. Firstly, the ritual, system of worship where the Temple was the centre of life, where God was to be found. Secondly, the Priesthood system of men who were set aside by God to act as a go-between Him and ordinary man. When a person sinned and wanted forgiveness the offender took an unblemished animal and brought it before a priest in the Temple. The animal was killed and the shed blood symbolized the washing away of that person's sin(s). sacrificial system of sin offering of unblemished animals the priestly system ended - Jesus Christ became the High Priest.

Comment: we do not have to go to a Church to get healing for any ailment. We go to Jesus Christ who is resurrected and living today.

" Ask and you will receive, Seek and you will find, Knock and the doors will be open to you " .
Matthew 7:7

Ask Him. Seek Him. Knock on His door and He will answer you!

2. **The animal sacrifices for The Lamb of God** for the remission of sins ended. Jesus Christ is the Lamb sacrifice for mankind ending the need to make animal sacrifices. John 1:29 The Lamb of God is the atonement for sins.

Comment: If your sickness is a result of a sinful deed or a sin done against you, all you have to do is to confess this sin and the blood of Jesus Christ shed some 2,000 years ago will wash you clean of all unrighteousness. A person (man or woman) who has been raped, may feel unclean and want to take a shower, or even many showers to wash themselves clean. Water will not take away such a violation. The Blood of Jesus Christ will do it. He will cleanse you, He will cleanse you inside! Nothing invented and created by man can take the place of The Blood of Jesus Christ.

3. **Religion for Jesus Christ.** Jesus Christ is the bridge between man and God. All the sacrifices under the sun could never ever fully bridge the gap between God and man. No religion of man (religion is man's way of finding a way back to God e.g. Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Mormonism, Churchianity (Christians going to church). God provided the ultimate solution - He sent His only begotten Son to provide the

linkage. His people proved the inadequacy of the system - the history of His chosen people is one of disobedience, worship of idols (demons), and the maintenance of an outward form of a sacrificial system which became meaningless because of their disobedience.

Comment: Idolatry is the greatest of sins. Worshipping demons or Satan instead of the one true living God. Breaking the second of the 10 Commandments (Exodus 20: 4). You may have grown-up worshipping Buddha or whoever or whatever, it may be part of your cultural heritage, but if it ain't Jesus Christ your are worshipping or bowing yourself down to then it ain't right in God's eyes. You need to repent, change your way, your habit, and do what God says you should do in His word, immediately. Do it! Your life depends on it! Failure to do so will keep you on the road to hell, not heaven! Chose now! Life or death, Heaven or Hell, The narrow road or wide road!

4. **The Law for The Spirit.** The Law, or legalism of keeping the Ten Commandments and 103 other commandments ended and are replaced by Grace. The Law or "Works" served to prove and highlight the inability of His chosen people to keep The Law. The Law exposed and highlighted their sinfulness. The history of God's chosen ones in the Old Testament is a history of disobedience to God's words.

Comment: The Law is seen in the New Testament to be the greatest stumbling block to following after Jesus Christ - being led by His Spirit. This is because it gives you and I something to do in our own strength - in the "flesh" as God's word in the New Testament puts it. The flesh is at war with the Spirit.

The Law or rules defines what is right and wrong. No matter how much we try to keep rules will be confronted with the reality that we will end-up breaking one or two rules. We will be confronted with the fact that "I sin" , "I am a sinner". Well the great Paul found himself in this situation and he found himself flat on his face begging for mercy and crying out to Jesus Christ to help him, to save him! Read about this in Romans Chapters 1 to 7, and his cry of desperation and final solution in Chapter 8 when he discovered that Jesus Christ has provided the answer for his sinfulness, at The Cross at Calvary. Man's hopeless is the beginning of God's solution.

5. **Works for Grace** In the New Testament, Works is replaced by GRACE. Repentance or a broken spirit and a broken and contrite heart is now the way to Heaven.

***"For it is by faith that we are saved not by works let any man boast "** Ephesians 4:12*

Question: Faith in what or who?

Answer: In the person of Jesus Christ, at the Finished Work of Calvary.

Comment: You may well have heard of the song "Amazing Grace". This song was penned by a man, John Newton, who was immersed in the slave trade. Many black African men died in the holds of his ships in atrocious conditions. The Holy spirit came upon him and convicted him of his sins. The words of his song are pertinent (sing it if you know the tune):

" Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me

Another man, King David, a man after God's own heart" found himself in a similar situation. He poured out his heart in Psalm 51 as a reminder from God of our need to have a "broken spirit and a broken and contrite heart". King David looked out from his palace, and saw a beautiful woman bathing. He got hold of her name, and commanded that she come and sleep with him. She became pregnant. He tried to cover-up the

pregnancy and commanded her husband Uriah to return from the battle front and rest with his wife. He refused to be disloyal to his comrades at war, and did not sleep with his wife despite King David's command/suggestion and being made drunk. So King David had him sent to the hottest part of the battle front - where Uriah was killed. King David then married Bathsheba to legitimize the child's birth. God was not amused. He sent the prophet Nathan to visit David with a parable. The parable cut David to the heart. King David repented big time! He wrote Psalm 51 as a record of his repentance and for our edification. Read Psalm 51, 2 Samuel Chapters 11 -12. Whilst King David found forgiveness for his sins, the sword never left his family - he still had to pay the price for his massive indiscretions. Replace King David's name with your own name as you read. Put your own name in the story - and listen to what our loving Heavenly father has to say to you!

6. **Curses for Blessings.** In the book of Deuteronomy, God's people are offered to choices - blessings for obeying His words (of good health and prosperity), or curses for breaking them (ill health, being conquered, and being made slaves to the surrounding nations). They chose, however unwittingly, the path of curses.

In The New Testament, the curse of disobedience was broken at The Cross by Jesus The Christ who became an accursed one to break all curses over all who put their trust in Him.

***"By His stripes we are healed"* Isaiah 53:9, 1 Peter**

Question: How can a person whose skin has been torn to shred by whipping heal me?

Answer: Through His suffering, brokenness, we are made whole - completely as persons. He demonstrated to us the agape of God [unconditional love which comes from God which we can receive through our own brokenness through repentance].

7. Everything necessary for my salvation, body, soul and spirit. The Cross is the end of the old and beginning of kingdom of God within us.

I have been purchased by God - I am now owned by Him - I am His slave. I have been rescued from the clutches of Satan.

All my sins were nailed to the Cross- I am forgiven!

All my sins have been washed clean by the Blood of The Lamb when I confess them. 1 John 1:7-9 Once unrighteous I am now made righteous, purified, sanctified. The "un" has been removed from the word unrighteous, leaving me righteous.

All the chains which bind me to this world have been cut at the Cross. I am set free to enter into Heaven! Acts 18

All my sicknesses were nailed to The Cross - I am healed through the blood of the Lamb! I am set free of all sickness by faith in the finished work of Calvary.

All demons are cut out of my life by The Word of God Hebrews 4:12-13.

My body (my temple) is now a temple of The Holy Spirit 1 Corinthians 3:16-17
- all unclean spirits have left me and/or have been driven out of me by my repentance and baptism.

My body once the domain of Satan, is now the property of Almighty God, my heavenly Father who has redeemed me by His Son, Jesus Christ!

" It is no longer I who lives but Christ who lives in me!" Galatians 2:20

By a miracle (beyond human comprehension) all I need to do is to believe in the Finished Work) when I believe or put my trust in Jesus Christ and I am translated from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light or God,

Sin cut-off the relationship.

Adam and Eve sinned, and chose to serve Satan. Sin separated them from God's presence. Sin and Death became their lot. We die because we are descendents of Adam and because we sin individually. Ill health, wrong thinking, and spiritual emptiness has been the lot of mankind - and for each one of us. Mankind has invented many religions - man's own way of getting back to God - to bridge the gap between man and God. However, history has shown that man has been unable to deal with the effects of sin. The history of all civilizations has been notable for wars, murders, intrigues, violence - not peace. The true living creator God has been pushed out of mankind's thoughts.

God, however, has provided a perfect solution. He sent His Son to bridge the gap so that we can be made at one with God - known as atonement. Jesus Christ took upon Himself all our sins and illnesses so that we might have life in all its abundance. Jesus did this by the shedding of His blood on The Cross of Calvary.

He may live and dwell, permanently in our body, if invited to do so when we repent of our sins. Our bodies can be The Temple of The Holy Spirit. Sin will no longer dwell within us. We can then have eternal life, now, and in the world to come when we leave our bodies at death. The Holy Spirit will then fill and keep on filling us so that in the process of sanctification we are being made whole and being sanctified - Holy!

Therefore, sickness and death have no place in us.

Faith require us to completely trust Jesus for all that He has accomplished on The Cross. When we put our trust in Him, there comes upon us a deep peace which passes all understanding. We just need a simple child-like faith of trusting - Jesus Christ!

The old is over. The new wine is now in new wine skins. All we need to do is to open our minds to know, experience, the finished work. Hence these thoughts, and the gathering together of God's words to us, for "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by The Word of God" So often we are ignorant of what work has been completed at The Cross. Let all ignorance be dispelled by God's true words. Let us banish all incorrect thoughts and words which affect is and reinforce unbelief!

In essence this discussion is based on The Word of God. His living word will set us free of all sin and its effects within us!

WE need Jesus Christ more than we realize! We need to know, to experience His abiding presence within us, to have His mind-set! We can achieve this only by total surrender of ourselves to Him - daily.

Repentance. Once we take the dramatic step of repentance, becoming followers of Jesus Christ, we are wrenched from the world of Satanic darkness and cast into the kingdom of light of God. We are Holy and are then involved in a step by step process of salvation - one step at a time, where God Himself makes us Holy just as God is holy. Just as the Promised Land had to be conquered, so we need to submit the "land" of our whole body, soul and spirit to our LORD God so that He will effect change into His likeness within us! **2 Corinthians 3:18**

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APPENDIX

*350 Prophecies Fulfilled in Jesus Christ**"Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me"*

Psalm 40:7

"The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy"

Revelation 19:10

"...all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me"

Jesus Christ, Luke 24:44

<i>Prophecy</i>		<i>Fulfillment</i>
1. Gen. 3:15	Seed of a woman (virgin birth)	Galatians 4:4-5, Matthew 1:18
2. Gen. 3:15	He will bruise Satan's head	Hebrews 2:14, 1John 3:18
3. Gen. 5:24	The bodily ascension to heaven illustrated	Mark 16:19
4. Gen. 9:26, 27	The God of Shem will be the Son of Shem	Luke 3:36
5. Gen. 12:3	Seed of Abraham will bless all nations	Galatians 3:8, Acts 3:25, 26
6. Gen. 12:7	The Promise made to Abraham's Seed	Galatians 3:16
7. Gen. 14:18	A priest after the order of Melchizedek	Hebrews 6:20
8. Gen. 14:18	King of Peace and Righteousness	Hebrews 7:2
9. Gen. 14:18	The Last Supper foreshadowed	Matthew 26:26-29
10. Gen. 17:19	Seed of Isaac (Gen. 21:12)	Romans 9:7
11. Gen. 22:8	The Lamb of God promised	John 1:29
12. Gen. 22:18	As Isaac's seed, will bless all nations	Galatians 3:16
13. Gen. 26:2-5	The Seed of Isaac promised as the Redeemer	Hebrews 11:18
14. Gen. 28:12	The Bridge to heaven	John 1:51
15. Gen. 28:14	The Seed of Jacob	Luke 3:34
16. Gen. 49:10	The time of His coming	Luke 2:1-7; Galatians 4:4
17. Gen. 49:10	The Seed of Judah	Luke 3:33
18. Gen. 49:10	Called Shiloh or One Sent	John 17:3
19. Gen. 49:10	Messiah to come before Judah lost identity	John 11:47-52

20. Gen. 49:10	Unto Him shall the obedience of the people be	John 10:16
21. Ex. 3:13-15	The Great "I AM"	John 4:26, 8:58
22. Ex. 12:5	A Lamb without blemish	Hebrews 9:14; 1Peter 1:19
23. Ex. 12:13	The blood of the Lamb saves from wrath	Romans 5:8
24. Ex. 12:21-27	Christ is our Passover	1Corinthians 5:7
25. Ex. 12:46	Not a bone of the Lamb to be broken	John 19:31-36
26. Ex. 15:2	His exaltation predicted as Yeshua	Acts 7:55, 56
27. Ex. 15:11	His Character-Holiness	Luke 1:35; Acts 4:27
28. Ex. 17:6	The Spiritual Rock of Israel	1Corinthians 10:4
29. Ex. 33:19	His Character-Merciful	Luke 1:72
30. Lev. 1:2-9	His sacrifice a sweet smelling savor unto God	Ephesians 5:2
31. Lev. 14:11	The leper cleansed-Sign to priesthood	Luke 5:12-14; Acts 6:7
32. Lev. 16:15-17	Prefigures Christ's once-for-all death	Hebrews 9:7-14
33. Lev. 16:27	Suffering outside the Camp	Matthew 27:33; Heb. 13:11, 12
34. Lev. 17:11	The Blood-the life of the flesh	Matthew 26:28; Mark 10:45
35. Lev. 17:11	It is the blood that makes atonement	Rom. 3:23-24; 1John 1:7
36. Lev. 23:36-37	The Drink-offering: "If any man thirst"	John 7:37
37. Num. 9:12	Not a bone of Him broken	John 19:31-36
38. Num. 21:9	The serpent on a pole-Christ lifted up	John 3:14-18, 12:32
39. Num. 24:17	Time: "I shall see him, but not now."	John 1:14; Galatians 4:4
40. Deut. 18:15	"This is of a truth that prophet."	John 6:14
41. Deut. 18:15-16	"Had ye believed Moses, ye would believe me."	John 5:45-47
42. Deut. 18:18	Sent by the Father to speak His word	John 8:28, 29
43. Deut. 18:19	Whoever will not hear must bear his sin	Acts 3:22-23
44. Deut. 21:23	Cursed is he that hangs on a tree	Galatians 3:10-13
45. Joshua 5:14-15	The Captain of our salvation	Hebrews 2:10
46. Ruth 4:4-10	Christ, our kinsman, has redeemed us	Ephesians 1:3-7
47. 1 Sam. 2:10	Shall be an anointed King to the Lord	Mt. 28:18, John 12:15

48. 2 Sam. 7:12	David's Seed	Matthew 1:1
49. 2 Sam. 7:13	His Kingdom is everlasting	2Peter 1:11
50. 2 Sam. 7:14a	The Son of God	Luke 1:32, Romans 1:3-4
51. 2 Sam. 7:16	David's house established forever	Luke 3:31; Rev. 22:16
52. 2 Ki. 2:11	The bodily ascension to heaven illustrated	Luke 24:51
53. 1 Chr. 17:11	David's Seed	Matthew 1:1, 9:27
54. 1 Chr. 17:12-13	To reign on David's throne forever	Luke 1:32, 33
55. 1 Chr. 17:13	"I will be His Father, He...my Son."	Hebrews 1:5
56. Job 9:32-33	Mediator between man and God	1 Timothy 2:5
57. Job 19:23-27	The Resurrection predicted	John 5:24-29
58. Psa. 2:1-3	The enmity of kings foreordained	Acts 4:25-28
59. Psa. 2:2	To own the title, Anointed (Christ)	John 1:41, Acts 2:36
60. Psa. 2:6	His Character-Holiness	John 8:46; Revelation 3:7
61. Psa. 2:6	To own the title King	Matthew 2:2
62. Psa. 2:7	Declared the Beloved Son	Matthew 3:17, Romans 1:4
63. Psa. 2:7, 8	The Crucifixion and Resurrection intimated	Acts 13:29-33
64. Psa. 2:8, 9	Rule the nations with a rod of iron	Rev. 2:27, 12:5, 19:15
65. Psa. 2:12	Life comes through faith in Him	John 20:31
66. Psa. 8:2	The mouths of babes perfect His praise	Matthew 21:16
67. Psa. 8:5, 6	His humiliation and exaltation	Hebrews 2:5-9
68. Psa. 9:7-10	Judge the world in righteousness	Acts 17:31
69. Psa. 16:10	Was not to see corruption	Acts 2:31, 13:35
70. Psa. 16:9-11	Was to arise from the dead	John 20:9
71. Psa. 17:15	The resurrection predicted	Luke 24:6
72. Psa. 18:2-3	The horn of salvation	Luke 1:69-71
73. Psa. 22:1	Forsaken because of sins of others	2 Corinthians 5:21
74. Psa. 22:1	"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"	Matthew 27:46
75. Psa. 22:2	Darkness upon Calvary for three hours	Matthew 27:45

76. Psa. 22:7	They shoot out the lip and shake the head	Matthew 27:39-44
77. Psa. 22:8	"He trusted in God, let Him deliver Him"	Matthew 27:43
78. Psa. 22:9-10	Born the Saviour	Luke 2:7
79. Psa. 22:12-13	They seek His death	John 19:6
80. Psa. 22:14	His blood poured out when they pierced His side	John 19:34
81. Psa. 22:14, 15	Suffered agony on Calvary	Mark 15:34-37
82. Psa. 22:15	He thirsted	John 19:28
83. Psa. 22:16	They pierced His hands and His feet	John 19:34, 37; 20:27
84. Psa. 22:17, 18	Stripped Him before the stares of men	Luke 23:34, 35
85. Psa. 22:18	They parted His garments	John 19:23, 24
86. Psa. 22:20, 21	He committed Himself to God	Luke 23:46
87. Psa. 22:20, 21	Satanic power bruising the Redeemer's heel	Hebrews 2:14
88. Psa. 22:22	His Resurrection declared	John 20:17
89. Psa. 22:27-28	He shall be the governor of the nations	Colossians 1:16
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95. Psa. 31:11	His acquaintances fled from Him	Mark 14:50
96. Psa. 31:13	They took counsel to put Him to death	Mt. 27:1, John 11:53
97. Psa. 31:14, 15	"He trusted in God, let Him deliver him"	Matthew 27:43
98. Psa. 34:20	Not a bone of Him broken	John 19:31-36
99. Psa. 35:11	False witnesses rose up against Him	Matthew 26:59
100. Psa. 35:19	He was hated without a cause	John 15:25
101. Psa. 38:11	His friends stood afar off	Luke 23:49
102. Psa. 38:12	Enemies try to entangle Him by craft	Mark 14:1, Mt. 22:15
103. Psa. 38:12-13	Silent before His accusers	Matthew 27:12-14

104. Psa. 38:20	He went about doing good	Acts 10:38
105. Psa. 40:2-5	The joy of His resurrection predicted	John 20:20
106. Psa. 40:6-8	His delight-the will of the Father	John 4:34, Heb. 10:5-10
107. Psa. 40:9	He was to preach the Righteousness in Israel	Matthew 4:17
108. Psa. 40:14	Confronted by adversaries in the Garden	John 18:4-6
109. Psa. 41:9	Betrayed by a familiar friend	John 13:18
110. Psa. 45:2	Words of Grace come from His lips	John 1:17, Luke 4:22
111. Psa. 45:6	To own the title, God or Elohim	Hebrews 1:8
112. Psa. 45:7	A special anointing by the Holy Spirit	Mt. 3:16; Heb. 1:9
113. Psa. 45:7, 8	Called the Christ (Messiah or Anointed)	Luke 2:11
114. Psa. 45:17	His name remembered forever	Ephesians 1:20-21, Heb. 1:8
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116. Psa. 55:15	Unrepentant death of the Betrayer	Matthew 27:3-5; Acts 1:16-19
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118. Psa. 68:18	Ascended into Heaven	Luke 24:51
119. Psa. 69:4	Hated without a cause	John 15:25
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129. Psa. 72:17	All nations shall be blessed by Him	Galatians 3:8
130. Psa. 72:17	All nations shall call Him blessed	John 12:13, Rev. 5:8-12

131. Psa. 78:1-2	He would teach in parables	Matthew 13:34-35
132. Psa. 78:2b	To speak the Wisdom of God with authority	Matthew 7:29
133. Psa. 80:17	The Man of God's right hand	Mark 14:61-62
134. Psa. 88	The Suffering and Reproach of Calvary	Matthew 27:26-50
135. Psa. 88:8	They stood afar off and watched	Luke 23:49
136. Psa. 89:27	Firstborn	Colossians 1:15, 18
137. Psa. 89:27	Emmanuel to be higher than earthly kings	Luke 1:32, 33
138. Psa. 89:35-37	David's Seed, throne, kingdom endure forever	Luke 1:32, 33
139. Psa. 89:36-37	His character-Faithfulness	Revelation 1:5, 19:11
140. Psa. 90:2	He is from everlasting (Micah 5:2)	John 1:1
141. Psa. 91:11, 12	Identified as Messianic; used to tempt Christ	Luke 4:10, 11
142. Psa. 97:9	His exaltation predicted	Acts 1:11; Ephesians 1:20
143 Psa 100:5	His character-Goodness	Matthew 19:16, 17
144.Psa.102:1-11	The Suffering and Reproach of Calvary	John 19:16-30
145.Psa 102:25-27	Messiah is the Preexistent Son	Hebrews 1:10-12
146. Psa. 109:25	Ridiculed	Matthew 27:39
147. Psa. 110:1	Son of David	Matthew 22:42-43
148. Psa. 110:1	To ascend to the right-hand of the Father	Mark 16:19
149. Psa. 110:1	David's son called Lord	Matthew 22:44, 45
150. Psa. 110:4	A priest after Melchizedek's order	Hebrews 6:20
151. Psa. 112:4	His character-Compassionate, Gracious, et al	Matthew 9:36
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156. Psa. 132:11	The Seed of David (the fruit of His Body)	Luke 1:32, Act 2:30
157. Psa. 129:3	He was scourged	Matthew 27:26
158. Psa. 138:1-6	The supremacy of David's Seed amazes kings	Matthew 2:2-6
159. Psa. 147:3, 6	The earthly ministry of Christ described	Luke 4:18
160. Prov. 1:23	He will send the Spirit of God	John 16:7
161. Prov. 8:23	Foreordained from everlasting	Rev. 13:8, 1Peter 1:19-20
162. Song. 5:16	The altogether lovely One	John 1:17
163. Isa. 2:3	He shall teach all nations	John 4:25
164. Isa. 2:4	He shall judge among the nations	John 5:22
165. Isa. 6:1	When Isaiah saw His glory	John 12:40-41
166. Isa. 6:8	The One Sent by God	John 12:38-45
167. Isa. 6:9-10	Parables fall on deaf ears	Matthew 13:13-15
168. Isa. 6:9-12	Blinded to Christ and deaf to His words	Acts 28:23-29
169. Isa. 7:14	To be born of a virgin	Luke 1:35
170. Isa. 7:14	To be Emmanuel-God with us	Matthew 1:18-23, 1Tim. 3:16
171. Isa. 8:8	Called Emmanuel	Matthew 28:20
172. Isa. 8:14	A stone of stumbling, a Rock of offense	1Peter 2:8
173. Isa. 9:1, 2	His ministry to begin in Galilee	Matthew 4:12-17
174. Isa. 9:6	A child born-Humanity	Luke 1:31
175. Isa. 9:6	A Son given-Deity	Luke 1:32, John 1:14, 1Tim. 3:16
176. Isa. 9:6	Declared to be the Son of God with power	Romans 1:3, 4
177. Isa. 9:6	The Wonderful One, Peleh	Luke 4:22
178. Isa. 9:6	The Counselor, Yaatz	Matthew 13:54
179. Isa. 9:6	The Mighty God, El Gibor	1Cor. 1:24, Titus 2:3
180. Isa. 9:6	The Everlasting Father, Avi Adth	John 8:58, 10:30
181. Isa. 9:6	The Prince of Peace, Sar Shalom	John 16:33
182. Isa. 9:7	To establish an everlasting kingdom	Luke 1:32-33

183. Isa. 9:7	His Character-Just	John 5:30
184. Isa. 9:7	No end to his Government, Throne, and Peace	Luke 1:32-33
185. Isa. 11:1	Called a Nazarene-the Branch, Netzer	Matthew 2:23
186. Isa. 11:1	A rod out of Jesse-Son of Jesse	Luke 3:23, 32
187. Isa. 11:2	Anointed One by the Spirit	Matthew 3:16, 17, Acts 10:38
188. Isa. 11:2	His Character-Wisdom, Knowledge, et al	Colossians 2:3
189. Isa. 11:3	He would know their thoughts	Luke 6:8, John 2:25
190. Isa. 11:4	Judge in righteousness	Acts 17:31
191. Isa. 11:4	Judges with the sword of His mouth	Rev. 2:16, 19:11, 15
192. Isa. 11:5	Character: Righteous & Faithful	Rev. 19:11
193. Isa. 11:10	The Gentiles seek Him	John 12:18-21
194. Isa. 12:2	Called Jesus-Yeshua	Matthew 1:21
195. Isa. 22:22	The One given all authority to govern	Revelation 3:7
196. Isa. 25:8	The Resurrection predicted	1Corinthians 15:54
197. Isa. 26:19	His power of Resurrection predicted	Matthew 27:50-54
198. Isa. 28:16	The Messiah is the precious corner stone	Acts 4:11, 12
199. Isa. 28:16	The Sure Foundation	1Corinthians 3:11, Mt. 16:18
200. Isa. 29:13	He indicated hypocritical obedience to His Word	Matthew 15:7-9
201. Isa. 29:14	The wise are confounded by the Word	1Corinthians 1:18-31
202. Isa. 32:2	A Refuge-A man shall be a hiding place	Matthew 23:37
203. Isa. 35:4	He will come and save you	Matthew 1:21
204. Isa. 35:5-6	To have a ministry of miracles	Matthew 11:2-6
205. Isa. 40:3, 4	Preceded by forerunner	John 1:23
206. Isa. 40:9	"Behold your God."	John 1:36; 19:14
207. Isa. 40:10.	He will come to reward	Revelation 22:12
208. Isa. 40:11	A shepherd-compassionate life-giver	John 10:10-18
209. Isa. 42:1-4	The Servant-as a faithful, patient redeemer	Matthew 12:18-21
210. Isa. 42:2	Meek and lowly	Matthew 11:28-30

211. Isa. 42:3	He brings hope for the hopeless	John 4
212. Isa. 42:4	The nations shall wait on His teachings	John 12:20-26
213. Isa. 42:6	The Light (salvation) of the Gentiles	Luke 2:32
214. Isa. 42:1, 6	His is a worldwide compassion	Matthew 28:19, 20
215. Isa. 42:7	Blind eyes opened.	John 9:25-38
216. Isa. 43:11	He is the only Saviour.	Acts 4:12
217. Isa. 44:3	He will send the Spirit of God	John 16:7, 13
218. Isa. 45:21-25	He is Lord and Saviour	Philippians 3:20, Titus 2:13
219. Isa. 45:23	He will be the Judge	John 5:22; Romans 14:11
220. Isa. 46:9, 10	Declares things not yet done	John 13:19
221. Isa. 48:12	The First and the Last	John 1:30, Revelation 1:8, 17
222. Isa. 48:16, 17	He came as a Teacher	John 3:2
223. Isa. 49:1	Called from the womb-His humanity	Matthew 1:18
224. Isa. 49:5	A Servant from the womb.	Luke 1:31, Philippians 2:7
225. Isa. 49:6	He will restore Israel	Acts 3:19-21, 15:16-17
226. Isa. 49:6	He is Salvation for Israel	Luke 2:29-32
227. Isa. 49:6	He is the Light of the Gentiles	John 8:12, Acts 13:47
228. Isa. 49:6	He is Salvation unto the ends of the earth	Acts 15:7-18
229. Isa. 49:7	He is despised of the Nation	John 1:11, 8:48-49, 19:14-15
230. Isa. 50:3	Heaven is clothed in black at His humiliation	Luke 23:44, 45
231. Isa. 50:4	He is a learned counselor for the weary	Matthew 7:29, 11:28, 29
232. Isa. 50:5	The Servant bound willingly to obedience	Matthew 26:39
233. Isa. 50:6a	"I gave my back to the smiters."	Matthew 27:26
234. Isa. 50:6b	He was smitten on the cheeks	Matthew 26:67
235. Isa. 50:6c	He was spat upon	Matthew 27:30
236. Isa. 52:7	Published good tidings upon mountains	Matthew 5:12, 15:29, 28:16
237. Isa. 52:13	The Servant exalted	Acts 1:8-11; Eph. 1:19-22, Php. 2:5-9

238. Isa. 52:14	The Servant shockingly abused	Luke 18:31-34; Mt. 26:67, 68
239. Isa. 52:15	Nations startled by message of the Servant	Luke 18:31-34; Mt. 26:67, 68
240. Isa. 52:15	His blood shed sprinkles nations	Hebrews 9:13-14, Rev. 1:5
241. Isa. 53:1	His people would not believe Him	John 12:37-38
242. Isa. 53:2	Appearance of an ordinary man	Philippians 2:6-8
243. Isa. 53:3a	Despised	Luke 4:28-29
244. Isa. 53:3b	Rejected	Matthew 27:21-23
245. Isa. 53:3c	Great sorrow and grief	Matthew 26:37-38, Luke 19:41, Heb. 4:15
246. Isa. 53:3d	Men hide from being associated with Him	Mark 14:50-52
247. Isa. 53:4a	He would have a healing ministry	Matthew 8:16-17
248. Isa. 53:4b	Thought to be cursed by God	Matthew 26:66, 27:41-43
249. Isa. 53:5a	Bears penalty for mankind's iniquities	2Cor. 5:21, Heb. 2:9
250. Isa. 53:5b	His sacrifice provides peace between man and God	Colossians 1:20
251. Isa. 53:5c	His sacrifice would heal man of sin	1Peter 2:24
252. Isa. 53:6a	He would be the sin-bearer for all mankind	1John 2:2, 4:10
253. Isa. 53:6b	God's will that He bear sin for all mankind	Galatians 1:4
254. Isa. 53:7a	Oppressed and afflicted	Matthew 27:27-31
255. Isa. 53:7b	Silent before his accusers	Matthew 27:12-14
256. Isa. 53:7c	Sacrificial lamb	John 1:29, 1Peter 1:18-19
257. Isa. 53:8a	Confined and persecuted	Matthew 26:47-27:31
258. Isa. 53:8b	He would be judged	John 18:13-22
259. Isa. 53:8c	Killed	Matthew 27:35
260. Isa. 53:8d	Dies for the sins of the world	1John 2:2
261. Isa. 53:9a	Buried in a rich man's grave	Matthew 27:57
262. Isa. 53:9b	Innocent and had done no violence	Luke 23:41, John 18:38
263. Isa. 53:9c	No deceit in his mouth	1Peter 2:22
264. Isa. 53:10a	God's will that He die for mankind	John 18:11
265. Isa. 53:10b	An offering for sin	Matthew 20:28, Galatians 3:13

266. Isa. 53:10c	Resurrected and live forever	Romans 6:9
267. Isa. 53:10d	He would prosper	John 17:1-5
268. Isa. 53:11a	God fully satisfied with His suffering	John 12:27
269. Isa. 53:11b	God's servant would justify man	Romans 5:8-9, 18-19
270. Isa. 53:11c	The sin-bearer for all mankind	Hebrews 9:28
271. Isa. 53:12a	Exalted by God because of his sacrifice	Matthew 28:18
272. Isa. 53:12b	He would give up his life to save mankind	Luke 23:46
273. Isa. 53:12c	Numbered with the transgressors	Mark 15:27-28
274. Isa. 53:12d	Sin-bearer for all mankind	1Peter 2:24
275. Isa. 53:12e	Intercede to God in behalf of mankind	Luke 23:34, Rom. 8:34
276. Isa. 55:3	Resurrected by God	Acts 13:34
277. Isa. 55:4a	A witness	John 18:37
278. Isa. 55:4b	He is a leader and commander	Hebrews 2:10
279. Isa. 55:5	God would glorify Him	Acts 3:13
280. Isa. 59:16a	Intercessor between man and God	Matthew 10:32
281. Isa. 59:16b	He would come to provide salvation	John 6:40
282. Isa. 59:20	He would come to Zion as their Redeemer	Luke 2:38
283. Isa. 60:1-3	He would show light to the Gentiles	Acts 26:23
284. Isa. 61:1a	The Spirit of God upon him	Matthew 3:16-17
285. Isa. 61:1b	The Messiah would preach the good news	Luke 4:16-21
286. Isa. 61:1c	Provide freedom from the bondage of sin	John 8:31-36
287. Isa. 61:1-2a	Proclaim a period of grace	Galatians 4:4-5
288. Jer. 23:5-6	Descendant of David	Luke 3:23-31
289. Jer. 23:5-6	The Messiah would be both God and Man	John 13:13, 1Ti 3:16
290. Jer. 31:22	Born of a virgin	Matthew 1:18-20
291. Jer. 31:31	The Messiah would be the new covenant	Matthew 26:28
292. Jer. 33:14-15	Descendant of David	Luke 3:23-31

293. Eze.34:23-24	Descendant of David	Matthew 1:1
294. Eze.37:24-25	Descendant of David	Luke 1:31-33
295. Dan. 2:44-45	The Stone that shall break the kingdoms	Matthew 21:44
296. Dan. 7:13-14a	He would ascend into heaven	Acts 1:9-11
297. Dan. 7:13-14b	Highly exalted	Ephesians 1:20-22
298. Dan. 7:13-14c	His dominion would be everlasting	Luke 1:31-33
299. Dan. 9:24a	To make an end to sins	Galatians 1:3-5
300. Dan. 9:24a	To make reconciliation for iniquity	Romans 5:10, 2Cor. 5:18-21
301. Dan. 9:24b	He would be holy	Luke 1:35
302. Dan. 9:25	His announcement	John 12:12-13
303. Dan. 9:26a	Cut off	Matthew 16:21, 21:38-39
304. Dan. 9:26b	Die for the sins of the world	Hebrews 2:9
305. Dan. 9:26c	Killed before the destruction of the temple	Matthew 27:50-51
306. Dan. 10:5-6	Messiah in a glorified state	Revelation 1:13-16
307. Hos. 11:1	He would be called out of Egypt	Matthew 2:15
308. Hos. 13:14	He would defeat death	1Corinthians 15:55-57
309. Joel 2:32	Offer salvation to all mankind	Romans 10:9-13
310. Jonah 1:17	Death and resurrection of Christ	Matthew 12:40, 16:4
311. Mic. 5:2a	Born in Bethlehem	Matthew 2:1-6
312. Mic. 5:2b	Ruler in Israel	Luke 1:33
313. Mic. 5:2c	From everlasting	John 8:58
314. Hag. 2:6-9	He would visit the second Temple	Luke 2:27-32
315. Hag. 2:23	Descendant of Zerubbabel	Luke 2:27-32
316. Zech. 3:8	God's servant	John 17:4
317. Zech. 6:12-13	Priest and King	Hebrews 8:1
318. Zech. 9:9a	Greeted with rejoicing in Jerusalem	Matthew 21:8-10
319. Zech. 9:9b	Beheld as King	John 12:12-13
320. Zech. 9:9c	The Messiah would be just	John 5:30
321. Zech. 9:9d	The Messiah would bring salvation	Luke 19:10
322. Zech. 9:9e	The Messiah would be humble	Matthew 11:29

323. Zech. 9:9f	Presented to Jerusalem riding on a donkey	Matthew 21:6-9
324. Zech. 10:4	The cornerstone	Ephesians 2:20
325. Zech. 11:4-6a	At His coming, Israel to have unfit leaders	Matthew 23:1-4
326. Zech. 11:4-6b	Rejection causes God to remove His protection	Luke 19:41-44
327. Zech. 11:4-6c	Rejected in favor of another king	John 19:13-15
328. Zech. 11:7	Ministry to "poor," the believing remnant	Matthew 9:35-36
329. Zech. 11:8a	Unbelief forces Messiah to reject them	Matthew 23:33
330. Zech. 11:8b	Despised	Matthew 27:20
331. Zech. 11:9	Stops ministering to those who rejected Him	Matthew 13:10-11
332. Zech. 11:10-11a	Rejection causes God to remove protection	Luke 19:41-44
333. Zech. 11:10-11b	The Messiah would be God	John 14:7
334. Zech. 11:12-13a	Betrayed for thirty pieces of silver	Matthew 26:14-15
335. Zech. 11:12-13b	Rejected	Matthew 26:14-15
336. Zech. 11:12-13c	Thirty pieces of silver cast in the house of the Lord	Matthew 27:3-5
337. Zech. 11:12-13d	The Messiah would be God	John 12:45
338. Zech. 12:10a	The Messiah's body would be pierced	John 19:34-37
339. Zech. 12:10b	The Messiah would be both God and man	John 10:30
340. Zech. 12:10c	The Messiah would be rejected	John 1:11
341. Zech. 13:7a	God's will He die for mankind	John 18:11
342. Zech. 13:7b	A violent death	Mark 14:27
343. Zech. 13:7c	Both God and man	John 14:9
344. Zech. 13:7d	Israel scattered as a result of rejecting Him	Matthew 26:31-56
345. Zech. 14:4	He would return to the Mt. of Olives	Acts 1:11-12
346. Mal. 3:1a	Messenger to prepare the way for Messiah	Mark 1:1-8
347. Mal. 3:1b	Sudden appearance at the temple	Mark 11:15-16

348. Mal. 3:1c	Messenger of the new covenant	Luke 4:43
349. Mal. 4:5	Forerunner in spirit of Elijah	Mt. 3:1-3, 11:10-14, 17:11-13
350. Mal. 4:6	Forerunner would turn many to righteousness	Luke 1:16-17

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Your comments and suggestions will be most welcomed. No man has a monopoly of God's word and mind, and I am acutely aware of this. At best we can only see dimly **1 Corinthians 13:12** in part through darkened glass, even though our minds have been opened to "see". I trust you have been blessed by reading this discussion. Please remember, it is God's word (painstakingly and lovingly translated for us by so many scholars) that contains the Truth.

Jesus says:

" You shall know the truth and the truth will set you free! " **John 8:32**

" I am the bread of life... the bread from heaven has come down, so that no one who eats it will ever die. I am that bread from heaven! Everyone who eats it will live forever! "

John 6: 48-51

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