

[HEALINGS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT]

[excerpt from **MIRACLES** by **FRANK DAMAZIO**]

Seeing the healings and miracles of Christ laid out in a simple manner, we can easily see how He functioned: His methods, the people He healed and the results.

Healing	Matt	Mark	Luke	John	Method
1. Man with unclean spirit		1:23	4:33		Exorcism, word
2. Peter's mother-in-law	8:14	1:30	4:38		Touch, word; prayer of friends
3. Multitudes	8:16	1:32	4:40		Touch, word; faith of friends
4. Many demons		1:39			Preaching, exorcism
5. A leper	8:2	1:40	5:12		Word, touch; leper's faith and Christ's compassion
6. Man sick of palsy	9:2	2:3	5:17		Word; faith of friends
7. Man's withered hand	12:9	3:1	6:6		Word; obedient faith
8. Multitudes	12:15	3:10			Exorcism, response to faith
9. Gerasene demoniac	8:28	5:1	8:26		Word, exorcism
10. Jairus' daughter	9:18	5:22	8:41		Word, touch; faith of father
11. Woman with issue of blood	9:20	5:25	8:43		Touching His garment in faith
12. A few sick people	13:58	6:5			Touch (hindered by unbelief)
13. Multitudes	14:34	6:55			Touch of His garment, friend's faith
14. Syro-phoenician's	15:22	7:24			Response to mother's prayer, faith
15. Deaf and dumb man		7:32			Word, touch; friends' prayer

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16. Blind man (gradual healing)		8:22			Word, touch; friends' prayer
17. Child with evil spirit	17:14	9:14	9:38		Word, touch; faith of father
18. Blind Bartimaeus	20:30	10:46	18:35		Word, touch, compassion; faith
19. Centurion's servant	8:5		7:2		Response to master's prayer, faith
20. Two blind men	9:27				Word, touch; men's faith
21. Dumb demoniac	9:32				Exorcism
22. Blind and dumb demoniac	12:22		11:14		Exorcism
23. Multitudes	4:23		6:17		Teaching, preaching, healing
24. Multitudes	9:35				Teaching, preaching, healing
25. Multitudes	11:14		7:21		Proof to John Baptist in prison
26. Multitudes	14:14		9:11	6:2	Compassion, response to needs
27. Great multitudes	15:30				Faith of friends
28. Great multitudes	19:2				He healed them
29. Blind and lame in temple	21:14				He healed them in the temple
30. Widow's son			7:11		Word, compassion
31. Mary Magdalene and others			8:2		Exorcism

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32. Woman bound by Satan			13:10		Word, touch
33. Man with dropsy			14:1		Touch
34. Ten lepers			17:11		Word; faith of men
35. Malchus' ear			22:49		Touch
36. Multitudes			5:15		He healed them
37. Various persons			13:32		Exorcism, and not stated
38. Nobleman's son				4:46	Word; father's faith
39. Impotent man				5:2	Word; man's faith

In the early church, being saved was not a prerequisite to experiencing miracles. On the contrary, the majority were not believers when they were healed. Of the miracles listed here, eleven unbelievers were healed and four believers.

Reference	Person(s)	Affliction	Believer?
Acts 3:1-10	Beggar at Beautiful	Congenital paralysis	No
Acts 5:12, 15	Crowds of "the people"	Various	No
Acts 6:8	"The people"	Various	No
Acts 8:6-7	Samaritans	Demons/paralysis/etc	No
Acts 9:17-18	Saul of Tarsus	Blindness	Not yet
Acts 9:32-34	Aeneas	Paralysis	No
Acts 9:36-42	Dorcas	Unknown, but fatal	Yes

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Acts 14:3	People at Iconium	Various	No
Acts 14:8-10	Man at Lystra	Congenital paralysis	No
Acts 16:16-18	Fortuneteller at Phillippi	Demon possession	No
Acts 19:11-12	People at Ephesus	Various, including demons	Unknown
Acts 20:7-12	Eutychus	Accident	Yes
Acts 28:3-6	Paul	Snakebite	Yes
Acts 28:7-8	Publius' father	Fever/dysentery	No
Acts 28:9	Other Maltese	Various	No
Phil. 2:25-30	Epaphroditus	Unknown, but serious	Yes

In the Old Testament, five times the person healed was a follower of God and four times they were not followers of God.

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Num. 12:10-15	Miriam	Skin disease (leprosy)	Yes
Num. 21:4-9	Desert complainers	Snakebite	Yes
1 Kings 13:1-6	King Jeroboam I	Sudden hand paralysis	No
1 Kings 17:17-24	Widow's son at Zarephath	Unknown, but fatal	No (vs. 24)
2 Kings 4:17-37	Shunammite's son	Possible sunstroke	Yes
2 Kings 5:1-19	Naaman	Skin disease (leprosy)	No
2 Kings 13:20-21	Israelite soldier	Fatal battle wound	Unknown

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2 Kings 20:1-11	King Hezekiah	Severe carbuncle?	Yes
Isaiah 38:1-8			
Job 2:1-8; 42	Job	Painful sores	Yes

Another interesting aspect in scripture is that godly people were not always healed.

Reference	Persons	Affliction
Gen. 48:1; 49:33	Jacob	Unknown, but fatal
1 Kings 1:1; 2:10	David	Possible circulatory problem
2 Kings 13:14-20	Elisha	Unknown, but fatal
Gal. 4:13-14; 2 Cor 12:7-10	Paul	"Thorn in my flesh"
1 Timothy 5:23	Timothy	Stomach disorder
2 Timothy 4:20	Trophimus	Unknown