

Life of Wellness Study 3: "DOES God want me well?"

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**Is A Life of Wellness Possible &
How Do YOU Achieve it?
Study#3
Does God WANT You Well and
So, Why?**



A question that needs a once-for-all answer. Thinking of the leper, he asked Jesus: "Lord, if you will, you can make me clean."

There are times when receiving healing that the temptation to ask a similar question or the thought, "Maybe it isn't God's Will to heal me after all" comes across our minds.

This study will give you 'ammunition' against the doubts that want to creep in concerning God's Will & your life of wellness.

Gordon Lindsay book reading

Review:

3 Views on Healing

3 Foundations for healing

Origin of sickness & disease

Is it God's will that we achieve wellness?

Sickness and disease is a part of the present world through the sin of Adam. As humans, we are delivered into a groaning creation when we are born. Sickness and disease were not part of God's original intention for mankind or this world.

The word 'redeem' means to buy back.....God took on the responsibility of redeeming us so that we could, as His people, enjoy our lives as He originally planned it to be.

1 Peter 1:18-19

18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

Versions:

.....18 God paid a ransom to save you
.....You must know (recognize) that you were redeemed (ransomed)
..... you were not liberated by perishable things like silver or gold
.....You were rescued
.....You were bought, but not with things that ruin like gold or silver.
.....you know what was paid to set you free
.....Your life is a journey you must travel with a deep consciousness of God. It cost God plenty to get you out of that dead-end, empty-headed life you grew up in. He paid with Christ's sacred blood, you know. He died like an unblemished, sacrificial lamb. And this was no afterthought. Even though it has only lately—at the end of the ages—become public knowledge, God always knew he was going to do this for you. It's because of this sacrificed Messiah, whom God then raised from the dead and glorified, that you trust God, that you know you have a future in God.

.....19 But [you were purchased] with the precious blood of Christ
.....you were liberated
.....the payment that freed you was the precious blood of Christ, the lamb with no defects or imperfections.
.....You were bought with the blood of Christ.

Redeem: Greek *lytroo*

- to release on receipt of ransom
- to redeem, liberate by payment of ransom
- to liberate
- to cause to be released to one's self by payment of a ransom
- to redeem
- to deliver: from evils of every kind, internal and external

This redemption was for your whole being: inward and outward. When Jesus was on earth, He demonstrated what the redeemed life was like: He healed the sick, the brokenhearted, the demon-possessed.

He said: "I came not to do my own will, but the will of Him Who sent me", so what Jesus did was God's will. Jesus was the will of God in Word and Action.

Jesus did not act independently of the Father....the Father's power on Him, in Him and through Him is what brought healing and deliverance to the captives.

The Father's power is His Presence, His life, His being.....the Bible uses many words for it.....virtue, anointing, power, ability (and the power of the Lord was present to heal).

Acts 10:38

38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

This verse from Acts gives the New Testament understanding of the continued source of sickness and disease: the devil. So we see a consistent truth running through the entire Bible about the source of mankind's troubles. Calamities are not "acts of God" as insurance companies and religious tradition claim.

Everything Jesus did, every good act, gracious word, was the Father in Him doing it. It was God's will to heal all that came to Jesus for healing.

In the book of Acts, we see this same God at work doing the same things that He did through His Son and was now continuing through His Son's followers.....called 'the Body of Christ'.

Restored to wellness.....

God created mankind to live in wellness.

Through sin, that life of wellness was lost.

Jesus came to redeem us from the 'lost-life' into the life of wellness.

His Body and His Blood represent the 'buying back to wholeness' of our entire being....

1 Thess 5:23

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

.....23 May the God of peace himself make you entirely pure and devoted to God; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept strong and blameless until that day when our Lord Jesus Christ comes back again. TLB

3 John 2

2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Dear friend, I am praying that all is well with you and that your body is as healthy as I know your soul is. TLB

GOD DESIRES TO HEAL WITH PURPOSE

Healing, from the kingdom perspective, seeks to release the person into a full realm of destiny and purpose. Healing from God is not "simply" the removal of discomfort or disease (only).

In many instances Jesus told those whom He healed or set free to

"go back home and tell what great things the Lord has done for you."
"go show yourself to the priest"

HEALING WITHOUT DESTINY WILL BECOME A "SLOW DEATH"

Healing, without destiny, will eventually become a "slow death" or empty life. Healing with destiny, becomes the beginning of an eternal flow and connection with the Father. It becomes a fresh river of Godly Creativity and Expression. Healing with destiny will change the "normal" routine of life. It will redefine the existence of an individual, and release them into the purposes of God!

Some people seek to be healed without accepting the responsibility of purpose. They want to be "freed" of symptoms, but yet "bound" to the parameters of humanistic living.

If one's life was empty (before the sickness), the healing of God does "not" want the individual to "return" to an empty life. The Spirit will then speak "fullness" into the emptiness.

For those of you needing healing: take these verses personally. When Paul or John says, "I pray your" or "Beloved", put yourself in those statements.

Think, really think through the example of Jesus regarding healing the sick if you are questioning God's willingness to heal you. Did Jesus ever refuse to heal anyone who came to him?

Do you read in the Book of Acts that anyone was refused healing?

Be encouraged, Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today & forever:
Hebrews 13:8

- Jesus Christ is [eternally changeless, always]
- Jesus Christ [is] the same yesterday, and to-day, and to the ages [to come].
- Jesus doesn't change—yesterday, today, tomorrow, he's always totally himself
- Jesus Christ yesterday and to-day the same, and to the ages;