

Book of Matthew

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

News about him spread and the people brought to him all who were sick with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, those having seizures, and the paralysed; and he healed them.

When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him.

A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said,

‘Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.’

Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man.

‘I am willing, Be clean!’

Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy.

When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. ‘Lord, my servant lies at home paralysed and suffering.’

‘I will go and heal him?’

‘Lord, just say the word, and my servant will be healed.’

For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me.

I tell this one, “Go,” and he goes; and that one, “Come,” and he comes.

When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him,

‘I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith.

‘Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.’

And his servant was healed at that moment.

When Jesus came into Peter’s house, he saw Peter’s mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever.

He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him.

When evening came, he healed all who were sick.

This was to fulfil what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah:

‘He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases.’

Some men brought to him a paralysed man, lying on a mat.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man,

‘Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.’

Which is easier: to say,

“Your sins are forgiven,” or to say,

“Get up and walk”?

But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.’

‘Get up, take your mat and go home.’

Then the man got up and went home.

When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.

A woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak.

She said to herself, ‘If I only touch his cloak, I will be healed.’

Jesus turned and saw her.

‘Take heart, daughter, your faith has healed you.’

And the woman was healed at that moment.

As Jesus went on from there, two blind men followed him, calling out,

‘Have mercy on us, Son of David!’

When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, ‘Do you believe that I am able to do this?’

‘Yes, Lord.’

Then he touched their eyes and said,

'According to your faith let it be done to you'; and their sight was restored.

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to heal every disease and sickness.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:

'Go to the lost sheep of Israel.

As you go, proclaim this message:

"The kingdom of heaven has come near."

Heal those who are sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy.

Freely you have received; freely give.

Jesus replied, 'Go back and report to John what you hear and see:

the blind receive sight, the lame walk,

those who have leprosy are cleansed,

the deaf hear, the dead are raised,

and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.

Going on from that place, he went into their synagogue, and a man with a shrivelled hand was there.

'Stretch out your hand.'

He stretched it out and it was completely restored, just as sound as the other.

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were sick.

A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him,

'Lord, have mercy on me!

My daughter is suffering.'

'I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.'

'Lord, help me!'

'Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.'

And her daughter was healed at that moment.

Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them.

The people were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled made well, the lame walking and the blind seeing.

And they praised the God of Israel.

If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will move.

Nothing will be impossible for you.'

Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they shouted,

'Lord, have mercy on us!'

'What do you want me to do for you?'

'Lord,' we want our sight.'

Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes.

Immediately they received their sight and followed him.

Book of Mark

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach.

The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.

The people were all so amazed that they asked each other,

“What is this?

A new teaching—and with authority!

News about him spread quickly over the whole region.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they went to the home of Peter.

His mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her.

He went to her, took her hand and helped her up.

The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick.

The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases.

A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees,

“If you are willing, you can make me clean.”

He reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing.”

“Be clean!”

Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed.

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home.

They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

Some men came, bringing to him a paralysed man, carried by four of them.

Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralysed man,

“Son, your sins are forgiven.”

Which is easier: to say to this paralysed man,

‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say,

‘Get up, take your mat and walk’?

But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.

Get up, take your mat and go home.”

He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all.

This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying,

“We have never seen anything like this!”

Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shrivelled hand was there.

“Stand up in front of everyone.”

“Stretch out your hand.”

He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored.

Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, to keep the people from crowding him.

For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him.

Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted.

He appointed twelve and sent them out to preach.

When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered round him while he was by the lake.

Then one of the synagogue leaders came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet.

'My little daughter is dying.

Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live.'

Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed round him.

And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse.

When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought,

'If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.'

Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

Jesus realised that power had gone out from him.

'Who touched my clothes?'

Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth.

'Daughter, your faith has healed you.

Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.'

While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of the synagogue leader. 'Your daughter is dead.

'Why bother the teacher anymore?'

'Don't be afraid; just believe.'

He took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was.

He took her by the hand and said to her,

'Little girl, I say to you, get up!

Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old).

At this they were completely astonished.

He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority.

They went out and preached that people should repent.

They anointed with oil many people who were sick and healed them.

As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognised Jesus.

They ran throughout that whole region and carried those who were sick on mats to wherever they heard he was.

And wherever he went, they placed the sick in the market-places.

They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.

They came to Bethsaida, and some people brought a blind man and begged Jesus to touch him.

He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village.

He spat on the man's eyes and put his hands on him,

'Do you see anything?'

'I see people; they look like trees walking around.'

Once more Jesus put his hands on the man's eyes.

Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly.

As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

Then they came to Jericho.

As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, was sitting by the roadside begging.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth,

he began to shout, 'Jesus, have mercy on me!'

'Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you.'

Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

'What do you want me to do for you?

Rabbi, I want to see.'

'Go, 'your faith has healed you.'

Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Later Jesus appeared to the Eleven as they were eating;

He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.'

After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God.

Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.

Book of Luke

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.

He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

He went to Nazareth and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue.

'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me,

to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

'Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.'

All the people were amazed and said to each other,

'What words these are!

And the news about him spread throughout the surrounding area.

At sunset, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them.

While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy.

When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him,

'Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.'

Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man.

'I am willing'.

'Be clean!'

And immediately the leprosy left him.

Crowds of people came to hear him and to be healed of their sickness.

But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

The power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal those who were sick.

On another Sabbath he went into the synagogue and was teaching.

A man was there whose right hand was shrivelled.

'Get up and stand in front of everyone.'

He got up and stood there.

'Stretch out your hand.'

He did so, and his hand was completely restored.

A great number of people had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases.

The people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

When Jesus entered Capernaum.

There was a centurion's servant, whom his master valued highly.

He was sick and about to die.

The centurion heard of Jesus and sent some elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and heal his servant.

He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to say to him: 'Lord, say the word, and my servant will be healed.

For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me.

I tell this one, "Go", and he goes;

and that one, "Come", and he comes.'

When Jesus heard this, he was amazed at him,

and turning to the crowd he said

'I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel.'

Then the men returned to the house and found the servant well.

Soon afterwards, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him.

As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out – the only son of his mother, and she was a widow.

And a large crowd from the town was with her.

When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said,

'Don't cry.'

Then he went up and touched the coffin.

'Young man, I say to you, get up!'

The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

They were all filled with awe and praised God.

'A great prophet has appeared among us,'

'God has come to help his people.'

At that very time Jesus cured many who had diseases and gave sight to many who were blind.

'Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard:

Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.'

After this, Jesus travelled to towns and villages proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God.

The Twelve were with him, and also some women who had been cured of diseases:

These women were helping to support them out of their own means.

Jairus was pleading with him to come to his house because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying.

As Jesus was on his way, the crowds almost crushed him.

And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her.

She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped.

'Who touched me?'

'I know that power has gone out from me.'

Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet.

In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed.

‘Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.’

While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus,

‘Your daughter is dead,’

‘Don’t bother the teacher anymore.’

Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus,

‘Don’t be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed.’

He took her by the hand and said, ‘My child, get up!’

Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up.

Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat.

Her parents were astonished.

When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal those who were sick.

They set out and went from village to village, proclaiming the good news and healing people everywhere.

Jesus took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.

As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed,

and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go.

Heal those there who are sick and tell them,

“The kingdom of God has come near to you.”

On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues,

and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all.

'Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.'

Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

'Should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years,

be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?'

When he said this, the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee.

There in front of him was a man suffering from abnormal swelling of his body.

Taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him on his way.

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.

As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him.

They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice,

'Jesus, Master, have pity on us!'

'Go, show yourselves to the priests.'

And as they went, they were cleansed.

One of them, when he saw he was healed,

came back, praising God in a loud voice.

He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him – and he was a Samaritan.

'Rise and go; your faith has made you well.'

Book of John

There was a royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum.

When this man heard that Jesus had arrived, he went and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death.

'Sir, come down before my child dies.'

'Go, your son will live.'

The man took Jesus at his word and departed.

While he was still on the way,

his servants met him with the news that his boy was living.

When he enquired as to the time when his son got better,

they said to him,

'Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him.'

Then the father realised that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him,

'Your son will live.'

He and his whole household believed.

Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool.

Where a great number of disabled people used to lie – the blind, the lame, the paralysed.

One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.

When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him,

'Do you want to get well?'

'Sir, I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred.

While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.'

'Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.'

At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth.

'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?'

'Neither this man nor his parents sinned,'

'but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.

While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

After saying this, he spat on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes.

'Go, wash in the Pool of Siloam'.

The man went and washed, and came home seeing.

His neighbours who had seen him begging asked,

'Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?'

'I am the man.'

'How then were your eyes opened?'

'The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes.

He told me to go and wash.

So, I went and washed, and then I could see.'

Now a man named Lazarus was sick.

He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha.

The sisters sent word to Jesus, 'Lord, the one you love is sick.'

'This sickness will not end in death.

No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it.'

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.

'Your brother will rise again.'

Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb.

It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance.

'Take away the stone.'

'But, Lord, by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days.'

'Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?'

So they took away the stone.

Then Jesus looked up and said,

'Father, I thank you that you have heard me.

I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.'

'Lazarus, come out!'

The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth round his face.

'Take off the grave clothes and let him go.'

Book of Acts

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer. Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John.

'Look at us!'

The man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

'Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you.

In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.'

Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong.

He jumped to his feet and began to walk.

When all the people saw him walking and praising God, they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Peter said to them:

"By faith in the name of Jesus, this man was made strong.

It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him."

The next day the rulers began to question them:

'By what power or what name did you do this?'

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them:

"It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed."

When they saw the courage of Peter and John, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say.

'Everyone living in Jerusalem knows they have performed a miracle, and we cannot deny it.

The apostles performed many signs and wonders among the people.

As a result, people brought those who were sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by.

Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing those who were sick and all of them were healed.

Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.

Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah there.

When the crowds heard Philip and saw the signs he performed, they all paid close attention to what he said.

Many who were paralysed or lame were healed.

There was great joy in that city.

Then Peter began to speak:

"God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power.

He went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him."

While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.

The believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles.

For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Peter found a man who was paralysed for eight years.

'Aeneas,'

'Jesus Christ heals you.

Get up and roll up your mat.'

Immediately Aeneas got up.

All those who saw him get healed, turned to the Lord.
In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha,
she was always doing good and helping the poor.
About that time, she became sick and died,
her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room.
The disciples urged Peter, 'Please come at once!'
Peter went with them, and was taken upstairs.
All the widows stood around him crying.
Peter sent them all out of the room;
then he got down on his knees and prayed.
Turning towards the dead woman, he said,
'Tabitha, get up.'
She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up.
He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet.
Then he called for the believers, especially the widows,
and presented her to them alive.
This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.
In Lystra there sat a man who was lame.
He had been that way from birth and had never walked.
He listened to Paul as he was speaking.
Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed
and called out, 'Stand up on your feet!'
At that, the man jumped up and began to walk.
Last night an angel stood beside me and said,
"Do not be afraid, Paul.
God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you."

I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me.

Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta.

The islanders built a fire and welcomed us.

There was an estate nearby that belonged to the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and showed us generous hospitality for three days.

His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery.

Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him.

After this happened,

all the other sick people on the island came to Paul,

and he healed them.

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