JESUS IS OUR HEALER Part 4 of Simply Jesus

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THE APOSTLES' CREED: WE BELIEVE

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,

his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day, he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

The one, holy, catholic Church,

The communion of saints,

The forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body,

And the life everlasting. Amen.

BIBLE STUDY: INTRODUCTION

The answer to the question, "Is God good and loving to us?" Is absolutely YES! The proof is in the life and work of Jesus. Today's passage reveals the goodness and love of God.

MARK 1:29-34 (CSB)

As soon as they left the synagogue, they went into Simon and Andrew's house with James and John. 30 Simon's mother-in-law was lying in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. 31 So he went to her, took her by the hand, and raised her up. The fever left her, and she began to serve them.

32 When evening came, after the sun had set, they brought to him all those who were sick and demon-possessed. 33 The whole town was assembled at the door, 34 and he healed many who were sick with various diseases and drove out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

OBSERVING THE PASSAGE

Let's take a few minutes to make sure we know what happened in the passage. Answer the following questions:

- 1. Whose house did Jesus and his disciples go to?
- 2. Who was lying in bed?

- 3. What was wrong with her?
- 4. What did Jesus do for Simon's mother-in-law?
- 5. How did Jesus heal her?
- 5. What happened that evening?
- 6. What did Jesus do for the people crowded around the house?

A BRIEF THEOLOGY OF HEALING

Sickness and disease entered the world when Adam and Eve rebelled against God.

The Bible reveals that God heals disease:

Exodus 15:26 (CSB) I am the LORD who heals you.

Psalms 103:3-4 (CSB) He forgives all your iniquity; he heals all your diseases. 4 He redeems your life from the Pit; he crowns you with faithful love and compassion.

Isaiah 53:5 (CSB) ... we are healed by his wounds.

Jeremiah 30:17 (CSB) But I will bring you health and will heal you of your wounds — this is the LORD's declaration...

Jesus healed many sick people, sometimes by touching them, and sometimes with a word of command. However, he did not heal everyone. Jesus healed because he is the good, loving, and mighty God, and because he came to rescue the world from sin and death. His death and resurrection destroyed the power of sin, death, and disease.

Jesus is still our healer, either temporarily now or permanently when he returns. There is no sickness in the new creation:

Revelation 21:4 (CSB) He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; grief, crying, and pain will be no more, because the previous things have passed away.

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. What are ways we, as followers of Jesus, can help a friend who is sick?
- 2. What if God does not answer our prayers for healing immediately? Should we stop praying? Should we get mad at God?
- 3. How might we explain healing to someone who doesn't know much? Should we guarantee that Jesus will heal them right there and then?
- 4. How might the following help someone who is sick and struggling: "Jesus does not always heal us immediately, but he is always good and loving, so he is always with us to help us."
- 5. Would you like to learn how to pray for a sick friend?
- 6. What questions do you have about healing or healing prayer?