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Are You Going To Be Made Whole? #2

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Many times as we go through life, we believe that we have reached a place that things are going well, until we are blindsided. The enemy will attack us with a sickness or calamity that almost takes us aback, leaving us thinking what have we done wrong? It is during these times that we realize that we need a word from the Lord to identify the lie. It's not what happens to you that cause brokenness; it's the lie you believe because of it.

The Lord gave the following words regarding those who have been broken or hurt, being made whole.

Do you really want to be made whole? There is an anointing from the Messiah available to heal the broken heart. It is every bit as powerful and supernatural as the healing anointing for the physical body that opens the blind eyes or makes the cripple walk - but you have to want it for it to be released. Many who are grieving take pleasure in grasping the pain of a broken heart to their bosom saturating their brokenness with the pity and sympathy of others instead of receiving healing from me. (We are all tempted to play on the sympathies of others)

They go through life with an open wound in a great amount of pain that never diminishes. Do you want to be that way? When you yield the pain to me to be healed - even though it feels like your heart has been ripped out - you will be made whole and I will replace what has been taken from you with far more than you ever dreamed possible. You will be recompensed for your suffering here on earth and in the life which is to come.

It is not what happens to you, it is how you process all the old things, the insecurities and hurts, that you have experienced and how you deal with them now.

John 5:2-9 "Now there is in Jerusalem a pool near the Sheep Gate. This pool in the Hebrew is called Bethesda, having five porches (alcoves, colonnades, doorways). 3 In these lay a great number of sick folk—some blind, some crippled, and some paralyzed (shriveled up)—*waiting for the bubbling up of the water.* 4 *For an angel of the Lord went down at appointed seasons into the pool and moved and stirred up the water; whoever then first, after the stirring up of the water, stepped in was cured of whatever disease with which he was afflicted.* 5 There was a certain man there who had suffered with a deep-seated *and* lingering disorder for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus noticed him lying there [helpless], knowing that he had already been a long time in that condition, He said to him, Do you want to become well? [Are you really in earnest about getting

well?] 7 The invalid answered, Sir, I have nobody when the water is moving to put me into the pool; but while I am trying to come [into it] myself, somebody else steps down ahead of me. 8 Jesus said to him, Get up! Pick up your bed (sleeping pad) and walk! 9 Instantly the man became well and recovered his strength and picked up his bed and walked. But that happened on the Sabbath." AMP

The bubbling up of the water was what the people had their eyes on, as did this man. This man had a deep-seated lingering disorder for 38 years. A great majority of people have a lingering deep-seated disorder which becomes a part of them. If it isn't a physical problem, they just think that this is how they are; they don't know what their problem is. Jesus said that it is a lack of wholeness (brokenness). It can happen at any age-young or old.

What the man thought would make him whole was not what did in the end. He had excuses for all the questions that were asked. When Jesus told him to get up, he wasn't sure about what would happen to him, he didn't know about the new life waiting for him.

What will keep a person from being made whole? 1) depending on someone else to make you well - believing you are unable to help yourself. 2) self-pity, someone else always gets a blessing, healed, etc., but never you. 3) deciding exactly what needs to happen instead of seeking God.

Depending on other people will not make us whole, they can encourage, but only Jesus can heal. Self-pity is a faith killer; depression stems from self-pity and is an attitude. The attitude is a position that must be addressed. There is a new life waiting for us, our flesh will try to tell us that we can't do what God tells us to do, but with Jesus all things are possible if we can just believe. When we are really ready to change and God tells us to do something, it is going to take an effort, our flesh will talk to us, saying we can't, but we can. Do what you can do and Jesus will do for you what you can't do.

Isa 60:1 "Arise [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!" AMP

If there are brokenness or hurts in your life which have not been resolved, there is a wholeness for you that Jesus has, but you have to be in earnest in getting it. Are you satisfied to stay as you are? Living with the lingering deep-seated anger and hurt and touchiness, or are you wanting to walk in the love walk mentioned in 1 Corinthians chapter 13. The love walk is a picture of a whole person.

A person who is whole is a person who has a positive outlook on life. They see the good in others and have the ability to overlook their faults. A person that is whole has the ability to withstand tests, trials, and tribulations with emotional stability, maintaining the joy of the Lord without murmuring and complaining. A whole person has the ability to be kind and giving to others, but is not a man pleaser. They can stand up for what is right no matter what pressure is put on them to compromise. (God has a standard for living; it is the happiest place we can be) A whole person is confident enough in who they are that rejection has no effect on them, for that matter they hardly even notice it. They do not feel that they have to criticize others because of their imperfections, immaturities, or inconsistencies, but can accept others and forgive easily and freely. They can easily trust God and man. A person who is whole will: Abound with

the blessings of God, travel the narrow road of life, be positive, be able to obey God no matter the price, steadily mature in the Lord, be a blessing to everyone they meet!

This is God's plan for each of us, that we can get to the place that we are the blessing to others.

What you must do to be made whole. You must be in earnest about being well. Your healing, deliverance is up to you. You must be willing to do something. Get up! Change your position (attitude), get rid of depression, it's a faith killer. Do something that takes effort, do something you think you can't do, start acting like a whole person. Start out in faith. Faith is simply believing God and acting like it is true.

Luke 18:8 "I tell you, He will defend *and* protect *and* avenge them speedily. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find [persistence in] faith on the earth?" AMP

Jesus saw something in this man, possibly obedience to be willing to listen to the voice of God, in spite of all that he had been through. Obedience is what God is looking for in us.

John 5:14 "Afterward, when Jesus found him in the temple, He said to him, See, you are well! Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you." AMP

There were two sons, one being the youngest, a rebel and the older one was obedient to his father, they had an inheritance coming. The father gave to both of them. The youngest wasted his, reached the bottom of the pig pen before his eyes were opened and made a choice to return to his father's house, willing to be a servant. He rehearsed a statement of what he would say to his father, but his father acted before he was able to finish his statement. His father has been looking for him for a long time.

Many people who live an ungodly life come to the "pig pen" before coming to themselves. They find themselves broken and miserable, that sin has taken its toll on them, destitute, worthless and sitting in the "pig pen". God has been looking for us the same way, knowing that we are unable to restore ourselves, but He loves us and will restore us and make us whole. It does not matter what our past is, if we will repent, repentance means to admit it and quit it. To recognize and take responsibility for our actions. You cannot keep living on both sides. Turning from your old life with true repentance and letting go of all the old life, turning to a new life of wholeness that God has for all of us, for His desire is that we move from glory to glory.

Luke 15:13-21 "And not many days after that, the younger son gathered up all that he had and journeyed into a distant country, and there he wasted his fortune in reckless *and* loose [from restraint] living.¹⁴ And when he had spent all he had, a mighty famine came upon that country, and he began to fall behind *and* be in want.¹⁵ So he went and forced (glued) himself upon one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed hogs.¹⁶ And he would gladly have fed on *and filled his belly with* the carob pods that the hogs were eating, but [they could not satisfy his hunger and] nobody gave him anything [better]¹⁷ Then when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father have enough food, and [even food] to spare, but I am perishing (dying) here of hunger!¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight.¹⁹ I am no longer worthy to be called your son; [just] make me like one of your hired servants.²⁰ So he got up and came to his [own] father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity *and* tenderness [for him]; and he ran and embraced him and kissed him [fervently].²¹ And the son said to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son [I no longer deserve to be recognized as a son of yours]!" AMP

Sin is a destroyer, God hates sin because it hurts and destroys us and He loves us. Jesus went back to the man at the pool and told him to quit sinning, because he had been totally healed and was free. Jesus tells us don't go back and keep sinning. He cares so much about us that He will begin to make us whole even before we make the commitment to serve Him.

The following scripture is the reason that Jesus came, to bring to us the good news, to set us free. God taking a broken person, lifting them up and in the process of being made whole, make them oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.

Isa 61:1-3 "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed and qualified me to preach the Gospel of good tidings to the meek, the poor, *and* afflicted; He has sent me to bind up *and* heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the [physical and spiritual] captives and the opening of the prison *and* of the eyes to those who are bound, 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord [the year of His favor] and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, 3 To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion—to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, *and* failing spirit—that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified." AMP

Isa 60:2 "For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and dense darkness [all] peoples, but the Lord shall arise upon you [O Jerusalem], and His glory shall be seen on you." AMP

We are lights in a dark world.