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Signs And Wonders

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The following scripture gives us the character of Jesus and what His ministry is for today. We may not be aware of what the angels around us are waiting and wanting to do, they are here to minister to us. They are on assignment, waiting to be put into operation to help us, when we learn how to release them, they are ready and will begin to share with us and meet all our needs. Jesus is here for us, He has not and will not change.

Heb 13:8 "**Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.**" KJV

To know what Jesus was like yesterday, we find Him in the gospels and as we read the gospels Matthew, Mark, Luke and John we begin to have a broader picture and a greater understanding of what Jesus is like right now today and what He wants to do today because He has never changed.

Luke 6:17-19 "And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases; 18 And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. 19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and *healed them all.*" KJV

The people had a purpose, had made a special trip in coming to Him, in order to hear and to be healed. They came to hear about Jesus, that He was the same as in the days of the old prophets, priests and kings, they knew if they could come and hear Him, they would be healed of their diseases. Demonic oppression could not hold the people, a whole multitude sought him and were healed and delivered.

Luke was a physician and he tells us that there was time and a reason for the people to come to Jesus, they came to receive, to touch Him, they weren't afraid. Jesus has never changed, He is still the same and as we enter into this new year 2018, we will see this year be crowned with the goodness of God, with signs and wonders and

miracles will be prevalent in the church, that there is rising a desire in the hunger and in the people of God themselves in the church, they are longing to see the supernatural, see changed lives, there is something on the inside that innate desire, it is the God or Christ within us, wanting to see the ministry of Jesus Christ today, wanting to see the present day ministry in manifestation.

Matt 4:23-24 "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. 24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them." KJV

As we read these scriptures they help us to get a clearer picture of Jesus and what He was preaching. They follow closely to what has been said in Luke. What kind of gospel was Jesus preaching? He was not preaching doctrine, He was preaching specifically the gospel of the kingdom. He was healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease in the people, when the gospel of the kingdom is preached, there is the power of God and the Holy Ghost. Jesus is the same today as He was before and when the gospel is preached we can expect signs and wonders to follow the teaching and preaching of the kingdom. As we put these two scriptures together there is nothing left out that Jesus is not Lord over, He came to make people whole.

John 10:10 "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." KJV

Jesus came that we might have life and enjoy it to the fullest, walking in victory today.

Matt 9:35 "And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people." KJV

Jesus went about all the cities, He left no one out, wanting all to hear the good news, teaching in all the churches (synagogues) and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all. If we are going to believe that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and the same tomorrow, healing is part of the gospel of the kingdom, deliverance is part of the gospel, salvation is part of the kingdom and because He has compassion, all these things are available to us today. The harvest is ready and laborers must be cast forth. We find in other places in the gospels that as Jesus begin to teach that without

the teaching of the word of God, we have no comprehension of what our inheritance is through Jesus.

Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised," KJV

Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has *anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity]" AMP

*anointed means a gifting, a smearing of paint, being enveloped by the Holy Ghost, changing the natural to the supernatural.

Jesus went into the synagogues on the sabbath day as was His custom, opened the book of Isaiah where it had been written about Him, that He had been anointed to preach. With the anointing He was changed into the supernatural, preaching the gospel to the poor, to heal the broken hearted, to deliver those oppressed and to set at liberty those downtrodden, send them away delivered and preach the acceptable year of the Lord, which is jubilee when after 50 years everything is given a fresh start. Jesus is our jubilee to make us whole. Now is time for signs and wonders.

Examples were given of signs and wonders that have happened in different ministries in times past. Many of these ministries had large tent meetings, drawing all kinds of people needing to be healed, these ministers would see in the spirit realm things that needed to be done for those people attending the meetings and they would begin to operate in that way.

A.A.Allen and R.W.Schambaugh were having a meeting in which a woman came bringing her four year old that since birth had many different ailments, deaf, blind, no eyes only empty sockets, all the limbs of the child were deformed yet she was there seeking for her baby to be healed. The meeting was almost over, she had been given a number earlier, but it had never been called, she had to leave, had only \$20 left to get home on, but when Allen called for a special offering to be taken, a type of faith offering or something that would be a sacrifice, she was the first to drop her money in, knowing that she had nothing left to make it home, but she had made her choice for her baby to receive healing, had taken her stand and it was worth it for her. The number she had had never been called until now. As Bro. Allen began to speak,

he said that he had seen in the spirit, the baby, the mother, what her car in the parking lot looked like, he called her number and took her baby in his arms and started walking back and forth, signs and miracles began to happen, the child began to hear, his eyes were healed, his limbs begin to grow out and as the healing took place, he was placed on the floor, walking he turned around and looked at his mother and called out "momma", he had never seen her, never spoken her name before but he was totally healed and set free. The meeting ended with many more receiving their healing, getting out of wheelchairs, tumors disappearing, white canes were left behind.

God has pulled the veil back and showed what the endtime ministry of the church would look like, it will be a supernatural ministry, it will be a ministry where people are made whole, there will be people becoming born again. This is our inheritance, we cannot have church without it being a powerful force, many times the church is a wonderful place but it is almost like it has been emasculated of power. Nothing is being preached so when the people come they have no expectation, they come once a week but they can't be people of faith with no more teaching than that. Faith comes from the word of God, there is a hunger rising up in the hearts of men and women of God, but they are tired of church as it is and they are paying the price trying to get above the religion, the sectarianism in the world today and get in the presence of God.

In Acts chapters 13 and 14, Paul is praying that signs and wonders would be done.

Mark 11:22-24 "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have *faith in God. 23 For verily I say unto you, That **whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. 24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." KJV

v. 23 the key word here is to believe for those things that you have ask for and you shall have them. ****Whosoever** means anybody can, but everybody won't, but somebody does

*Matt 17:20 "And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you." KJV

We learn here how the God kind of faith works; by saying, shall not doubt, shall believe, pray for the things you desire. Believe you receive before you see it. We say

to the mountain, we don't just talk about the mountain or the challenges. Faith is released by saying to the mountain and believing what we say to the mountain shall come to pass.

We must keep our switch of faith turned on if we are believing, because not all miracles manifest immediately but over a process of time. Faith always works but we can't have faith beyond our knowledge. There is a desire for more, we can't be satisfied.

Other examples were given of different diseases that have had miraculous healings take place:

A lady with stage 4 leukemia was in a meeting, she had been prayed for but it seemed that nothing happened, even though she sensed Gods presence. She went home and the next morning when she woke up, she found herself in a pool of blood, her family took her to the doctor and upon running the necessary lab reports found that her entire blood had been replaced in her body, she was totally cancer free. Another lady in this same meeting was needing healing in her hands, she was a concert pianist but they were totally deformed and she was unable to play. Nothing happened immediately, but during the meeting the fingers began to straighten out and before the meeting ended she was able to play the piano for the entire congregation. She received her healing in an entirely different way, but had the same results as the first lady, they had been set free.

Some healings happen over a period of time, one lady experienced her healing after a period of 29 days, she had been diagnosed with lymphoma cancer, given 30 days to live but after going back home, her father, a pastor encouraged her to do what she knew to do, rise up and fight, she begin to confess the word of God, believing that she would be healed, for 28 days nothing seemed to happen but on the 29th day she saw some difference and on the 30th day she went back to see her doctor, he checked her and told her the cancer was gone, on the 30th day she was healed. Pro 4:20-24 and Isaiah 53:4-5 were the scriptures that she had been confessing and making her stand on.

Pro 4:20-24 "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. 21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. 22 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the

issues of life. 24 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee." KJV

Isa 53:4-5 "Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." KJV

Heb 4:12 "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." KJV

Bro. Hagin has shared some testimonies of healings of a different type, he ministered to them and had them to make the confessions of faith using the illness or handicap as part of the confession. The man was suffering with a diabetic condition, but continued to take his medication, confessing each time that he was healed of the condition that he had, after a period of time, his doctor told him to discontinue using the insulin because he was healed and didn't need it anymore. A woman who had worn thick glasses since a very young age, wanted her eyes to be healed so they would be normal, each day as she put her glasses on, her confession was that she had 20/20 vision, after a period of time, she was able to have the restriction taken off of her drivers license stating that she needed glasses in order to drive, she was totally healed. Their confessions of what they were believing for made the difference in both the cases.

Gods word is medicine, it is health to our flesh, the word is alive and full of resurrection power, it is operative, Gods word is alive, Gods word is not dead. Death couldn't hold Jesus, resurrection life was in Him, He arose victorious over sin and sickness and disease, over every demon spirit, over the devil himself, they couldn't hold Him, that is the kind of life that is working in us, that kind of resurrection life that will lift us up above anything that has attacked or challenged us and we will be victorious with our foot upon the head of anything that is tormenting us. We are not the victim we are the victor, God is for us, He is not against us, He is crying out on the inside of us and that greatness on the inside of us wanting out. Don't yield to timidity or insecurity or fear but yield to the great "I AM" the one that said we could all things through Christ that strengthens us.

Don't give up, we are living in a time of signs and wonders, begin to expect the unexpected. Healings don't always happen over night, but they will happen if we

don't give up or cast away our confidence. God is not through with us yet and the future is holding many exciting things. Signs and wonders are coming, it is the season for the miraculous, pay the price it will be worth it in the end and we receive our miracle from the Lord. .