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“Healing For The Brokenhearted!”

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Introduction

Luke 4:14-21 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

¹⁵ And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

¹⁷ And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

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,

¹⁹ To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

²⁰ And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

²¹ And he began to say unto them, “This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.”

Here, Jesus spoke of the anointing upon His life and ministry. As He read this passage from the book of Isaiah, He was saying, “*This scripture is referring to Me and this is what I am anointed to do.*” Jesus was anointed to preach the gospel or good news to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, preach deliverance to the captives, to recover the sight of the blind and set at liberty them that are bruised.

It is interesting that He said that the anointing was upon Him to preach to the poor and the captives, to set the bruised free; but concerning the brokenhearted that He was “*sent to heal them.*” When we see the word “sent” or “sent one,” this is an apostolic calling because apostles are sent ones. We could say then, that there was an apostolic anointing upon the life of Jesus specifically to heal the brokenhearted.

Who are the poor that Jesus was referring to when He said, “The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor?”

If we look at this passage in Isaiah, the Amplified Translation says, “...*the humble and afflicted*,” and the Amplified Classic Edition says, “...*the meek, poor, and afflicted*.” The poor here then are the poor in spirit, which likely includes the poor in other areas because that’s of the affects of the poverty of spirit. I believe these are the ones Jesus referred to in Matthew 5:3.

Matthew 5:3 Amplified Bible (AMP)

³ “Blessed [spiritually prosperous, happy, to be admired] are the poor in spirit [**those devoid of spiritual arrogance, those who regard themselves as insignificant**], for theirs is the kingdom of heaven [both now and forever].

Who then is Jesus referring to when He said, “*I am sent to heal the brokenhearted?*” The word here is the Greek word “suntribo” (pron. “soon-tree-bow”). Another word used for suntribo is the word “crush” and as used in Romans 16:20 where Paul said, “*And the God of peace will crush (suntribo) Satan under your feet shortly.*”

The word “suntribo” used for the word **brokenhearted** means to trample upon, break in pieces, shatter, bruise, grind down, and/or smash. In the noun form then it refers to those who have been trampled upon, broken in pieces, bruised ground down and or smashed. *Suntribo* points to present victories over the powers of darkness as well as to the ultimate destruction of Satan’s kingdom at the Second Coming of Christ.

In Isaiah 61:1, another word for heal is bind up. The Amplified & Amplified Classic Edition says, “...*to bind up and heal the wounds of...*” Another translation says, “...*he hath sent me to heal the contrite of heart...(DRA)*,” and The Passion Translation says, “...*freedom for the brokenhearted...*” So, we know that the Lord can identify with our pain and suffering in the soul; the mind, will, and emotions. He wants to bind up, heal, and bring freedom to the broken, wounded and contrite ones, delivering them from all the oppression of the enemy! That has always been His desire! We can see this even in the Old Testament. David said the following:

Psalms 34:18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁸ *The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.*

I like how this passage reads in the Passion Translation.

Psalms 34:17-19 The Passion Translation (TPT)

¹⁷ *Yet when holy lovers of God cry out to him with all their hearts, the Lord will hear them and come to rescue them from all their troubles.*

¹⁸ *The Lord is close to all whose hearts are crushed by pain, and he is always ready to restore the repentant one.*

¹⁹ Even when bad things happen to the good and godly ones, the Lord will save them and not let them be defeated by what they face.

David knew that when He came to God with a broken and a repentant heart, God would not reject, turn a deaf ear to him or walk away and leave him in that state.

Psalm 51:17 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Verses 16 & 17 in the Passion Translation says it like this:

Psalm 51:16-17 The Passion Translation (TPT)

¹⁶ For the source of your pleasure is not in my performance or the sacrifices I might offer to you.

¹⁷ The fountain of your pleasure is found in the sacrifice of my shattered heart before you. You will not despise my tenderness as I humbly bow down at your feet.

Only Jesus can Heal the Brokenhearted!

We must know that Jesus Christ is the only answer to the brokenhearted; for only He is anointed to heal the brokenhearted. People cannot heal the brokenhearted. They can love you, forgive you, try to make up for the hurts they may have caused you, but they cannot heal your broken heart.

Proverbs 18:14 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴ The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

We may be able to function to a certain degree with physical sicknesses, but the wounded spirit or heart must be healed. The Expanded Bible says it like this:

Proverbs 18:13-15 Expanded Bible (EXB)

¹⁴ The will to live [human spirit] can get you through sickness, but no one can live with [who can bear...?] a broken spirit.

Only Jesus can heal the brokenhearted and He does it through the anointing. There is an anointing to heal the brokenhearted!

Isaiah 57:14-16 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴ And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

¹⁵ For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

¹⁶ For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls which I have made.

This passage in the Expanded Bible reads as follows:

Isaiah 57:14-16 Expanded Bible (EXB)

¹⁴ Someone will say, “Build a road [up; or it]! Build a road [up; or it]! Prepare the way! Make the way clear [Remove the obstacles] for my people.”

¹⁵ And this is the reason: God lives forever and is holy. He is high and lifted up [exalted]. He says, “I live in a high and holy place, but I also live with people who are sad [contrite] and humble [lowly in spirit]. I give new life to [revive the spirit of] those who are humble[lowly] and to those whose hearts are broken [contrite; repentant].”

¹⁶ I will not accuse [or contend/fight against them] forever, nor will I always be angry, because then human life [the spirit] would grow weak. Human beings [The breath], whom I created, would die.

Our pain touches the heart of God and especially those who are broken or crushed in spirit. The pain, suffering, and sorrow of a broken heart reaches the throne of the Almighty and He hears the inner cries for help!

Sometimes the trials of life and the hopelessness of those who are wounded in spirit can cause them to give up on life because they don’t see their way out and depression has overtaken them. Therefore, God raises up those whom He anoints as special agents to bring healing and restoration to the brokenhearted. He reaches out to us with His healing love! The anointing to heal the brokenhearted is God’s Healing Love that reaches beyond the surface of people’s pain and goes into the root issues of their pain or hurting heart bringing healing and restoration to them.

The Compassion of Jesus

Inner healing is a result of the compassion of Jesus. Compassion always moves us to do something about what touches our heart; and so it is with Jesus. Let’s look at a few examples.

Matthew 9:35-37 New King James Version (NKJV)

³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. ³⁶ But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. ³⁷ Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

Compassion is not simply seeing a need, it is a spiritual connection within, allowing us to feel what others feel, and because we do, we are moved to do something. Sometimes we are moved to pray. Sometimes we are moved to act on it by reaching out to the person. Compassion overshadows our own desires and needs. One example is when Jesus heard about what happened to John and how he was beheaded. He separated Himself so that He could be alone, but the people didn't think about how this may have affected Him, so they followed Him because of their own needs.

Matthew 14:13-21 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹³ When Jesus heard it, He departed from there by boat to a deserted place by Himself. But when the multitudes heard it, they followed Him on foot from the cities. ¹⁴ And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; **and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick.**

¹⁵ When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food."

¹⁶ But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

¹⁷ And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish."

¹⁸ He said, "Bring them here to Me." ¹⁹ Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. ²⁰ So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. ²¹ Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Matthew 15:31-32 New King James Version (NKJV)

³¹ So the multitude marveled when they saw the mute speaking, the maimed made whole, the lame walking, and the blind seeing; and they glorified the God of Israel.

³² Now Jesus called His disciples to Himself and said, "I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now continued with Me three days and have nothing to eat. And I do not want to send them away hungry, lest they faint on the way."

Mark 1:40-42 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴⁰ Now a leper came to Him, imploring Him, kneeling down to Him and saying to Him, "If You are willing, You can make me clean."

⁴¹ Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed." ⁴² As soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy left him, and he was cleansed.

This compassion of Jesus always moved Him to do something to help those who moved Him. Hebrews tells us that He IS touched with the feelings of our infirmities.

Hebrews 4:14-16 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.

*¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our **infirmities**; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.*

*¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain **mercy**, and find **grace** to help in time of need.*

What is the Lord's answer or solution for our hurts? Come to Me! That is the Lord's answer to those who are hurting. We must first come to Him and obtain mercy. Then we will find grace to help.

The word **infirmities** used here is the Greek word "Astheneia" (pron. "as-then'-i-ah") and it means: *Want of strength, weakness, infirmity of the body and soul.*

1. *Of the body*
 - a. *Its native weakness and frailty*
 - b. *Feebleness of health or sickness*
2. *Of the soul*
 - a. *Want of strength and capacity requisite (necessary, required, basic, or essential)*
 - b. *To understand a thing*
 - c. *To do things great and glorious*
 - d. *To restrain corrupt desires*
 - e. *To bear trials and troubles*

Here, we see that Jesus is not only touched with the feelings of our infirmities, weaknesses of the body and soul (mind, will, and emotions); He was moved to do something about it. That something is healing, deliverance, and restoration and it is through His anointing; that is His Healing Anointing! Verse 16 in the Amplified Bible reads:

Hebrews 4:16 Amplified Bible (AMP)

¹⁶ Therefore let us [with privilege] approach the throne of grace [that is, the throne of God's gracious favor] with confidence and without fear, so that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find [His amazing] grace to help in time of need [an appropriate blessing, coming just at the right moment].

There is healing for the brokenhearted! Whether that brokenness includes disappointments, rejections, physical or verbal abuse, sexual abuse, or anything that has shattered our lives, Jesus came to heal us!