# What Does the Bible Say About Doctors?

# Are They a Gift from God?

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The word "Physician" is not mentioned in the Bible

Neither the word *Physician* nor the word *Doctor* is used in the Bible. The word mistranslated as *Physician* is actually the word *healer*. It is the **translators** who have presumptuously – and wrongly – defined a *Physician* – a present-day Doctor - as a healer.

But the Bible, in the original, says something quite different.

Who claims to be our Healer?

God says, "I am the Lord who heals you." Exodus 15:26

"I will take away sickness from among you. . ." Exodus 23:25,26

"He forgives all my sins and heals ALL my Diseases." Psalm 103:3

"I will give you back your health again and heal your wounds." Jeremiah 30:17

"The Lord will remove from you all sickness. . ." Deuteronomy 7:15

"My counsel shall stand, and I WILL do ALL my pleasure.: Isaiah 46:10

"Yes, I have spoken it. I will also bring it to Pass. I have purposed it. I will also do it." Isaiah 46:11

"God cannot lie." Titus 1:2

"I am the Lord: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass. Ezekiel 12:25

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God needs no middle men. When Jesus was on earth, when someone came to Him for healing, He never referred the person to Luke, the "Physician." Jesus healed the person directly and personally. And He healed him either with His Word – which we have today, in the form of the Bible – or He healed him with natural methods – clay, water, etc.

Jesus NEVER used drugs, although we know that some types of drugs were available in His time. When Jesus was on the Cross, He was offered a type of drug to ease His pain, but He refused it.

In the Bible, What was the consequence of seeking out anyone else except God for healing?

Asa, King of Israel sought out the physicians INSTEAD of depending on the Lord – and Asa DIED!

"And Asa, in the thirty-ninth year of his reign, was diseased in his feet (probably diabetes), until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought NOT to the Lord, but to the physicians (human "healers")

"And Asa died . . . and rested with his fathers (ancestors)." 2 Chronicles 16:12,13

Ahaziah, King of Israel, and son of the wicked King Ahab (who was married to Jezebel), was ill and did not seek God, but sought the god of Ekron – sorcerers. And Ahaziah DIED!

"And Ahaziah was sick and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, inquire of Baalzebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover of this disease.

"But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the King of Samaria, and say unto them, Is it not because there is NOT a God in Israel, that you go to inquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?

"Now, therefore, thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt NOT come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt SURELY DIE." 2 Kings 1:2-4

God is our Healer and He doesn't share that job with humanity. The consequence of seeking out anyone except the Lord for healing – is death!

But HOW Does God Heal?

Jesus certainly did miraculous healings when He was on earth, but there was always ONE requirement. The person wanting to be healed HAD TO BELIEVE. He or she had to believe that Jesus WOULD do what He had already PROMISED to do – and that is to heal ALL our diseases. (Psalm 103:3)

If a person BELIEVES in Jesus, then they will follow His ways, and not "man's" (the doctors') ways.

Jesus said, "If you LOVE Me, KEEP My Commandments." John 14:15

Here is the way God heals ALL our diseases:

"Thou shalt therefore keep the Commandments, and the statutes (laws – including God's Ten Natural Health Laws) and the judgments (decrees) that I command thee this day, to do them.

"Wherefore it shall come to pass, if you hearken to these judgments, and keep and do them, that the Lord your God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy that He swore unto your fathers:

"And He will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee; He will also **bless the fruit of thy womb**, and the fruit of thy land, thy grain, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy cattle, and thy flocks of thy sheep, in the land that He swore unto thy fathers to give thee.

"Thou shalt be blessed above all people; **there shall not be male or female barren among you (the cure for infertility!)** or among your cattle.

"And the **Lord will take away from thee ALL sickness**, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt (symbolic for Sin), which thou knowest, upon thee: but will lay them upon all them that hate thee." Deuteronomy 7:11-15

#### Moses:

When God told Moses to build the sanctuary in the wilderness, God gave very specific directions for how it was to be built – down to the last tassel on the robes of the priests. It was up to Moses to follow God's plans explicitly and NOT to follow his own plans. Moses was NOT ALLOWED to consult with the human "experts" on sanctuary-building.

God gave the directions, and Moses carried out EXACTLY what God had told Him to do.

God not only made the PROMISE, God also gave the PROCESS by which His PROMISE was to be accomplished.

The ONLY one who can fulfill a PROMISE, is the ONE who made it.

## Noah:

When God promised Noah He would save him and his family from the flood, God gave Noah very explicit instructions on how to build the ark – including what kind of wood, the specific dimensions of the boat, etc. Noah was not allowed to consult the human "experts" on boat-building. It was up to Noah to follow God's plans explicitly and NOT to follow his own plans. God gave the directions, and Noah carried out EXACTLY what God told Him to do.

It was by following God's instructions explicitly that Noah and his family would be saved.

God not only made the PROMISE, God also gave the PROCESS by which His PROMISE was to be accomplished.

#### **Disease is a Spiritual Problem**

When God PROMISES to "heal ALL our diseases," God also gives us the PROCESS by which His PROMISE is to be accomplished. We are not allowed to consult human "experts" on healing, such as the orthodox medical doctors, but we must follow ONLY God's way.

God not only has made the PROMISE, God also gives us the PROCESS by which His PROMISE is to be accomplished.

Disease, virtually ALL disease, BEGINS as a Spiritual problem. It begins in the "heart" because we want to live, eat, think, act, and handle stress our OWN way, rather than GOD'S way. We are in rebellion against God, whether we realize and acknowledge it or not. Only MUCH later do the physical symptoms appear - as a result our OWN bad decisions.

We believe we have Free Will and the right to exercise it, but Jesus said,

"I came NOT to do My OWN will, but the WILL of Him who sent Me." John 6:38

We give ourselves disease, one day at a time, by following OUR OWN will, rather than following GOD'S WILL for our life.

### Shouldn't I Pray for a Miraculous Healing?

Certainly God can perform a miraculous healing, but what good would that do in your life? It would allow you to **continue** to live, eat, think, act, and handle stress your OWN way, rather than changing your heart. It would just be another carnal wish for a "Quick Fix" and you would eventually develop your disease again because you would not have CHANGED the way you were living, eating, thinking, acting and handling stress.

Christians, particularly, are looking for a miraculous healing – a Quick Fix, even though miraculous healings do NOT change lives. When Jesus healed the Ten Lepers, how many came back to thank Him? Only one! Their hearts were not changed.