

The Eternal Spirit the Gifts of Sickness and Healing

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This sermon explores the nature of sickness and healing, emphasizing the importance of trusting in God's sovereignty and resting in His peace, even when we don't understand the reasons behind our circumstances.

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Description

Willie Mullan discusses the complex relationship between sickness and healing, emphasizing that not all illness is a result of personal sin, as illustrated through the story of Job and the afflictions he faced. He highlights that sickness can be satanical, judicial, natural, or even essential, and that understanding these distinctions is crucial for believers. Mullan also addresses misconceptions about healing, particularly the belief that Christ's suffering at the cross guarantees physical healing for all believers. He encourages prayer and reflection on these matters, urging the congregation to seek God's will in their understanding of sickness and healing.

Transcript

...this doctrine, and I would like you to pray about what's coming next. So many things go through my mind and I spend hours on my face and sometimes I don't know, just at this moment I don't know, but there are a lot of things there. At least there are four or five lines of things.

I'd like you to just say, Lord, Lord help them, so that we will do what God wants us to do, and we'll study what God wants us to study. So you remember to pray about that. Now we're back at this sickness and healing again this evening, and I have done something for you, I've called it sickness scream this evening.

And I want you to get the hold of this because I think this will help us as we come to the mistaken conclusions that so many have come to about healing. I think we need to see the sickness properly and then we'll maybe come to the mistakes and the unfortunate conclusions. Let's begin in the book of Job this evening.

Job, and I think you know something about Job, and we'll try to save the time there. I think you know he was a farmer, for some reason or other for many years. I've always thought he was a little man, but you

could argue with me about that, I don't know really.

Just thought to picture him in my mind as a little farmer, strong little farmer. But he had a big farm, yes he had 7,000 sheep, 3,000 camels, and there is not a farmer in the north of Ireland half 7,000 sheep. I stayed for a while away at the back of the mountain there when I had a mission down at Clough.

I stayed with a farmer who had 3,000 sheep, and he's reckoned to be the biggest in the country. But this fellow had 7,000 sheep, he had a big farm, and he had a big family too. He had seven sons and three daughters.

And you know I want you to get the hold of this, because I think this is put out wrong in some of the commentaries. He was a godly farmer, very godly at that too. Because one day when the devil came to stand before God, because the devil's a brazen character, and God said to him, Hast thou considered my servant Job? There is none like him in all the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God and escheweth evil, one that feareth God and keeps away from evil.

And this is the testimony that God gave, and it doesn't matter about the commentators after that. If God said he was the perfect and the upright man, one that feareth God and keeps away from evil, that's the whole story. They can write whatever they like about it.

Because I hear them writing that he was unrighteous and all the rest of it. I don't know how you get it in after a testimony from God. And the devil didn't like this.

Of course the devil doesn't like anybody that's godly. We're living in the dispensation when all who will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. And the devil will see that you will get it.

So the devil said, you know, you've blessed this wee farmer, and you've given him everything. If he had a bit of trouble he would curse you to your face. Now Job doesn't hear this.

This sort of thing goes on in the heavens up there, and the devil's thrown out his weight. And God says, all right, I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll take you on, and I'll leave it with you.

You're not allowed to kill him, but you can give him trouble. And I'll see if he'll curse me. And the devil came out from the presence of God, and in 24 hours, we're saving time.

I hope we're saving time. Maybe it would be better to read it. In 24 hours, seven sons and three daughters were slain, and 7,000 sheep and 3,000 camels were dead.

And I've tried to visualize at times 7,000 sheep lying dead on the fields. There are some farmers here with us this evening, Bleston, and I know you have sheep. And if you went out tomorrow morning and there were 10 of them dead, it would be a horrible day for you.

You'd nearly go off your head. You'd wonder what had happened. But if you had a thousand and they died, and if you had 2,000 or 3,000, and if you had 7,000 and they're all dead, it's a horrible picture.

They would lie along the plain as far as the eye could see. And if there were seven sons and three daughters dead along with them, I'm afraid some of us wouldn't be able to take it. And when the little farmer or big farmer or whatever he was gazed at the scene, he immediately got down on his knees, shut his eyes, lifted his hands to heaven, and said, The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away.

Blessed be the name of the Lord. And the devil must have trembled. Not easy, you know, I know.

Not trying to push it too far. The devil was defeated. The devil had said, This little man will curse you to your face, but God will have better.

Well, the devil came back again. Watch this, we're at chapter 2 now, because I think it'll go better, maybe quicker, if we just read it. Verse 1, And there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and the sons of God there are the angels of God, without any doubt, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord.

Stood in the line, you know, as bold as can be. And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? Cause the rest of the lights try to tell me there is no devil. And I always turn to this passage and ask him, Was God talking to himself? You're not trying to tell me God was talking to himself in the heavens.

God was talking to a person. And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered, The Lord. And this person answered back, didn't he? And said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it, and he's a liar.

This book says that the devil's a liar from the beginning. Everything he says is lies. You see, he wasn't going to and fro, and walking up and down in the earth.

He was round in Job's farmyard. He destroyed Job's flock, and he had seen to it that Job's children were killed. He wasn't walking on them, and he tells lies.

Verse 3, And the Lord said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that fears God and escheweth evil? And still he holdeth fast his integrity. Oh, when God can say that about you when you're steeped in trouble. Still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movest me against him to destroy him without cause.

And Satan answered the Lord and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. And you've got to always try to see who's talking. It's the devil that's saying that.

You know there was a murder case in London, the old Bailey, on one occasion. And Sir Edward Garson was defending the prisoner. And I suppose I'm allowed to say that he was one of the most capable characters that ever walked in a court.

And he puts his prisoner into the witness box. And the man had stood up and made such a wonderful, clear witness to the judge, that the counselor on the other side got up excited and said, Your Honor, all that a man gives, all that a man hath will he give for his life. Even the good book said that.

Lord Carson said, Sir, he doesn't know it was the devil that said it. It wasn't a good book at all. So you need to be careful.

Just watch it every time, in case you quote it wrong. This is a perfect record here. It's an inspired record of what the devil said.

Don't you say it's the book you just remembered was the devil. And Satan answered the Lord and said, skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. But put forth thine hand now, he's challenging again, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand, but save his life. See, the word save his life just tells you how small the devil is. You know, he can only go as far as the Lord will let him.

He'd make a mess of some of us if he had the liberty, but he hasn't. God says, All right, I'll test you out. You think he'll curse me.

If he was touched, I'll try you out now. I want you to get this bit. This is the bit I want you to get.

Verse four. And Satan answered the Lord and said, skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand, but save his life. Now watch it. So went Satan forth from the presence of the Lord, and smote Job.

As quick as that. With sword oils from the sole of his foot, unto his crown, unto the crown of his head. Well, that was mighty fast, you know.

You see, the devil's a powerful character. And he knows more about this human frame of ours than anyone I know on the face of this planet. I think we've got to reckon with this.

You see, he can bind this body of ours. You remember that Satan had bound a woman. For twelve years she was bent in two.

And the Lord knew it was the devil had bound her. And he can blemish this body. Now he just went out from the presence of the Lord as quick as a flash.

And he smote. Just smote Job. Just touched him.

And he's very ill. He's sick. He's covered with boils from the crown of his head to the sole of his feet.

And let me tell you, it wasn't an epidemic or anything. And there was no plague of boils about, and it's nothing to do with this constitution. It was satanical.

Let me tell you that sickness can be satanical. That's the bit we want to get the hold of. Because we're just trying to screen this sickness.

Now, let's go from there. Go back to 2 Chronicles chapter 21. 2 Chronicles chapter 21.

I want Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And Jehoram, his son, reigned in his stead. And he had brethren, the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, Jehiel, Zechariah, Azariah, Michael, and Shephatiah.

All these were the sons of Jehoshaphat, king of Israel. I want you to get the hold of that. And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah.

But the kingdom gave he to Jehoram, because he was the firstborn. Now, when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself, and slew all his brethren with the sword, and divers also of the princes of Israel. This was a wicked lad when he got the kingdom.

Now, verse 12. And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father, because thou hast not walked in the way of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of

Azar king of Judah, but hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to go hoarding, like to the hoard-doms of the house of Ahab. And also hast slain thy brethren of thy father's house, which were better than thyself.

Behold, with a great plague will the Lord smite thy people, and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods. And thou shalt have great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day. Verse 18.

And after all this, the Lord smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease. I want you to get the hold of that, because he's very ill, this fellow. I want you to see that this is not the devil that's doing it.

I want you to see that this is the Lord. And I want you to get the adjective into your mind, because it's an incurable disease. And I can tell you that this is judicial.

The Lord's not just going to put up with him the way he's getting on. He has murdered these other brethren, and he's going to have a terrible reign. But the Lord hath smitten him with an incurable disease.

And I challenge all my healers here tonight to take him to any of your healing meetings, because I'll tell you, he'll come back the way he went. You can't read this word incurable and then blow it out, you know. This fellow is incurable.

That's all there is about it, and you'd better get it into your napper. Because if there is judgment at all from God, you're not going to alter it. This fellow's going to die, and die he did.

We're looking at sickness, aren't we? We're looking at a man who was sick because the devil touched him. We're looking at a man who was sick because the Lord smote him. Smote him with an incurable disease.

You should mark it in red pencil, as all the healers in the country can do nothing about it. Get it into your mind. Now let's go over to 2nd Chronicles, 2nd Corinthians, chapter 4, please.

2nd Corinthians, chapter 4. I'm trying to screen this whole subject and doctrine in a comprehensive way, this sickness. Now you're at 2nd Corinthians, chapter 4. I think we've got to read a word or two here to get the proper connection. 2nd Corinthians 4, verse 6. For God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness hath shined in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed. We are perplexed, but not in despair.

Persecuted, but not forsaken. Cast down, but not destroyed. Always bearing about in the body, let's get the body into vision here.

Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus. That the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. The thought of death on one side going on all the time.

Our life on the other side. For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake. That the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

So then death worketh in us, but life in you. We having the same spirit of faith according as it is written. I believed and therefore have I spoken.

We also believe and therefore speak. Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise us up also by Jesus and shall present us with you. For all things are for your sakes that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

For this cause we faint not. But though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. See I think we've got to get this in just now.

See this old outward man that you see here. Well he's perishing. And every day he's just losing out a little bit.

Because you see the seeds of death are inside and we are dying. And although while we die we live you know. To reflect something I trust of the beauty of Jesus.

But the outward man is perishing. You see I have no teeth left now. Not a one at the bar in the bottom gate there now at all.

Threw the false ones away too. Can't be bothered with them. I've no hair on the top either.

No I haven't. And if I take these off everything just goes blank. Just can't see now.

And I'm not the man I used to be. And I well not. And I'm going done.

And the outward man is perishing. And I will tell you that that's a natural thing. And I'll tell you this there are some good old men who would love to come to this meeting tonight but their physical frame won't allow them.

They can't make it anymore. We're not going to live forever you know. Not a wonderful.

Doesn't make a matter how God blesses you or how much you know or what experiences you have. This old body is perishing. And some parts of it perish more than others.

Some of our sight it goes and our hearing and some of our hearts go. Doesn't just go as well. But it's only natural you know.

Any bit of you can go. Have a stroke tonight. Get something given way up there.

I want you to get this. Because we're looking at the sickness. And it can be satanical you know.

Or judicial. Or even natural. Now let's go over to John's Gospel chapter 9. John's Gospel chapter 9. Verse 1. As Jesus passed by saw a man which was blind from his birth.

A little blind baby had come into this home. And his disciples asked him saying, who did sin? This man or his parents? That he was born blind. And that's a mighty question isn't it? Because this was a little blind baby boy.

When the midwife delivered him he was blind. And that's a sad thing you know. Very sad.

I was in a home once. I was staying there. And the little baby was just a few weeks old.

And the mother nor the doctor hadn't discovered that it was blind. But I knew. I was playing with him one day.

And I was testing him out every way that I could. And discovered, my God you're blind. And that isn't an easy thing to tell a wee woman is it? Took her man up the garden.

I said I'll tell you something. Take the baby and get him in the car. And I'll go with you as if we're going for a run.

We'll take him to the doctors. You wee baby's blind. Well don't you say that.

I'm afraid it's true. I said now we'll make sure before we do anything you know. Took him to the doctors, into the surgery.

And I told the doctor. He says he's not. He says he is.

And then he tested him. And then he said my God I should have seen this. Blind.

Says Mr. Monk can you tell the wee woman? Well I'll have to tell her I'm afraid. Terrible. And I've gone on with the story but I meet her often.

Every time she sees my face it's sort of a reminder of that horrible day. Yes there was a blind baby came to this home. And here's what the disciples of the Lord said.

Listen to it very carefully now. Who did sin? This man. Or his parents that he was born blind.

You know what they're saying? They're saying can the baby sin before he's born in such a way that he'll be blighted? That's what they're saying. Can you sin before you're born? Yes! Without any hesitation about that. And if I were to prove it tonight I'll take the rest of the hour won't I? And Jacob wrestled in the womb with Esau.

And when Esau was going to be born he held onto his foot. But we're not going into that. Now here's the answer the Lord Jesus gave.

Jesus answered neither hath this man sin nor his parents. But that the works of God should be made manifest in him. Oh God had a plan in all this.

It wasn't the parents. And it certainly wasn't the child. God was going to glorify his son.

Magnify his name. And this blind boy would grow into a blind man. And then Jesus would give him sight.

And wouldn't it be wonderful? It's something you and I can't puzzle out you know. There's sickness that's mystical. But to get the hold of that.

Because you don't know about it at all. It's just there. That's all.

But God knows. And if you're trusting the sovereignty of God you can rest it there alright. See this one.

Let's look at 2nd Corinthians chapter 12. And it's all about Paul. And he's talking about the day when he was taken up to heaven.

He says in verse 2 2nd Corinthians 12 to I knew a man in Christ above 14 years ago. He's got a funny way of saying things. He doesn't like to say too much about himself.

I knew a man in Christ. But it was himself he was talking about. Above 14 years ago.

And if you measure 14 years back from this chapter it'll take you to that place where he was stoned and drawn outside the city and left for dead. Just exactly 14 years before this. He says I knew a man in Christ above 14 years ago whether in the body or out of the body.

I cannot tell. God knows. Such and one caught up to the third heaven.

I knew such a man whether in the body or out of the body. I cannot tell. God knows.

And I think that tells us a little thing about our friends in heaven tonight. You lost a loved one during the year and they're away. They're with the Lord.

You know they don't know whether they're in the body or out of the body. They cannot tell. Maybe a brother comes in there and he's got one leg off.

And I've known many of these men. I baptized a fellow without a leg once and he says you know you can feel your old toes moving. There's something up here registers still and when you get out of the body whether in the body or out of the body you cannot tell in heaven.

So your friends are all right tonight. Must have been a great day for Paul to walk through heaven. I'll tell you of some of them around Belfast and had a journey to heaven.

The Belfast Telegraph would have been for this for about 10 weeks. Great big letters John so-and-so. He'd be mighty fellow.

The Belifton collections every night for this. Not this fellow. He wouldn't even give his name although he gives the game away.

He says how that he was caught up into paradise and had unspeakable words which is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such and one will I glory yet of myself I will not glory but in my infirmities. For though I would desire to glory I shall not be a fool I will say the truth.

Now I forbear lest any man should think of me above that which he has seen me to be. You can see he's coming out into the open now. And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations there was given to me a thorn in the flesh.

Oh yes you know just in case he'd get off his balance. Yeah you know he had an affliction. And God saw to it too.

And I think you can see that it's an affliction because he says this in verse 9 the Lord said my grace is sufficient for thee for my strength has made perfect and weakness most gladly therefore will I glory in my infirmities. And some of us believe that this infirmity was he was almost blind. His eyesight was gone.

And I can tell you this God was going to keep him like that. You see some of us have infirmities you know. And I think we would be worse if we hadn't them.

I'm a diabetic and it's a great thing. There's a whole lot for me and it's done more for me than I can tell you. I was in the hospital the other day and met the specialist who looked after me and got it all balanced out and he said to me fine you're looking wonderful.

I said yes I'm looking after myself now. I've left the doctors all alone. He says if I'm not well could I come round and see you some night.

I'll cost you a bob or two when you come to see me. Yes I had to learn all about living and eating all over again and he said to me you know what it's going to do for you Willie. It's going to add about 10 years to your life.

You'll come down for your tea afterwards won't you. Bless him yeah. You know we had a Yugoslavian fellow here the other night and I led him to the Lord and then I led his father to the Lord and his grandfather to the Lord the Yugoslavs and he was telling me he said we all got down one evening in the prayer meeting and we prayed like this Lord I will give you 10 years of my life if you give it to Willie Muller and then the old fellow said I'll give you 10 more Lord so that's 30 of us.

I'll get 10 of him easy enough. I don't know where he has 10 to go yet or not. Never mind I want you to get this that sometimes sickness is essential.

You get that bit. Sometimes it's judicial. Sometimes it's satanical.

Sometimes it's just natural you're getting old and done. Sometimes it's mystical you don't know what it's all about and sometimes it's essential. I will look at Proverbs chapter 17.

Book of Proverbs and we're at chapter 17. You see verse 22 it's a mighty one. Proverbs 17 22.

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine. See the word like it's in italics in your Bible and should be as that's not the word that's in the original and some of the great scholars believe it should be like this. A merry heart doeth good to a medicine and the doctor will tell you that.

The nurses here know that because of the patient you know just has a little bit of something about them. The medicine will do them much better and you know if you just lie and groan all the time I don't think it'll do you half as much good. A merry heart doeth good to a medicine because this will prove when we come to it that God uses medicine.

See I know some of the healers are against this but these are verses that they miss. Like the fellow that emptied the bottle down the drain he says it's terrible you went to the doctor. Raged the poor man that was on the bed and I got fed up with him and I said I thought the Lord Jesus said he that is sick hath need of a physician.

Did he not? And he stands all quiet. He should hit him on the head with a bottle. He was fed up looking at them.

The one track mind they have. Well I want you to get this the whole bit of it. A merry heart doeth good to a medicine but but a broken spirit dryeth the bones.

You see this is what we call functional. You see I talked to about 40 or 50 doctors and professors one day about sickness and when I came to this functional business. You see there are people you know we have some of them in the meeting and every disease that's good in the street or the town they get it.

Somebody up the street dies with cancer you can be sure a day or two afterwards they're not too well they're going to have this. I know a lady in the meeting she has been dying with cancer about a hundred times but she's all right yet you know. We have a girl in the meeting she'll scold me for this afterwards but

then I get scolded all the time.

She came to me not so long ago she says pastor listen I'm not well. I said what's up with you? She says when I lie down in bed I can hear my heart beating something something. I said the night that you don't hear it you'll be in trouble.

Oh yes we have them all right you know. There's so many you know they have this functional disease. It's not a sickness at all and yet from the medical faculty centers because if you get somebody who really believes they have cancer or a tumor or or some other complaint or heart trouble or anything like that you know they'll be very sick.

Make themselves sick and you can't get it out of them and I'm afraid I've got to say this that this is where the healing meetings prosper because if you have an imaginary disease you know and you go along and you're sort of worked into standing up for to be healed it's an imaginary healing but the folks that are really ill never get healed. One fella said to me I've got this gift I can do it right get in the car I'm taking you up to a blind man we have. We have a blind man in the meeting you know.

I said you just put your hands on him and give him sight and I'll join him. He's running about with thick glasses on himself he can hardly see I don't know what he is. You know it's really maddening isn't it.

I'll tell you friends it's not going to work at all. So I want you to get the hold of this. You'll see sickness let's get it now it can be satanic.

That's if God allows the devil. I don't think you should worry too much about that. If God allows the devil to touch me he must know the breadth of my back he knows right well I'll be able to stand it.

God will not allow me to be tested above that I am able that I am quite convinced about. So I don't worry about the devil. If I do something that's terribly wrong and God has to scourge me or if I'm laid down and I'm weak and sickly because of it or God has to take me away because there is a sin unto death then that is judicial and many a man has died because he's chained to his idols.

Because I'm getting older and I'll get no stronger and one day I will have to leave the meeting. Go and live in a little house or somewhere or give out tracks or do whatever I can. I'm quite prepared for that.

I won't worry that'll just be part of the journey and I'll take that other course over when it comes. That doesn't worry me at all that's in his hands and if it comes before it will never happen. Yes and there are sicknesses that are mystical.

Yes I think I've seen one or two of those and there are sicknesses that are essential and there's this functional business. The trouble on the other hand of that is that some people believe that they're sick all the time and they've everything that's gone and then there's others of us we're so stupid we don't know when we are sick. There's more trouble with those creatures because they won't go and get anything done at all.

Maybe I'm one of them but there you are. Now I had to take time to do that because I want to get down to something that's most important for us. Now the clock's beating me and I don't think I'm going to be able to do it all but I'll show you what we're at and then we'll get around to the rest of it.

Let's go to Matthew's gospel and we're at chapter 8. Matthew and we're at the 8th chapter. Matthew's gospel chapter 8. Verse 16. When the evening was come they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils and he cast out the spirits with his word and healed all that were sick that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet.

That's the Greek way of saying Isaiah the prophet saying himself took our infirmities and there are sicknesses. Let's go over to Isaiah just to get the hold of that properly. It's Isaiah 53 and I'm sure you sort of guessed that.

Isaiah 53 and we're away down at verse 4. Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. Now that's the quotation but when Matthew was writing it out just have another look at it. Matthew 8 and it's verse 17.

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet saying himself took our infirmities and bared our sicknesses and Isaiah used the words surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. So you have the word griefs and sorrows and infirmities and sicknesses and I think Matthew can see it like this. That the Lord was really taking our infirmities and carrying our sicknesses.

Now we want to be very sure about this in what sense? In what sense did he take our infirmities? In what sense? And in what sense did he bear our sicknesses? I want you to be very careful with that now. Because there is no doubt that there was a sense in which he took our infirmities and there was a sense in which he carried our sorrows or bare our sicknesses if you like the New Testament word. Now I want you to note that this is the cornerstone text of the faith cure group.

There's a group right across America and they're coming into England and they're very active in Australia and New Zealand and they're the faith cure group and they believe this. They believe that the Lord Jesus took our infirmities and carried our sicknesses. This is where they come to.

Now one of them has written a whole outline of their doctrine in a mighty big book with about 257 pages I think. And they say that our Lord Jesus Christ did this at the cross. Now that's what they're saying.

And they go back you see to Isaiah 53 and they say this. Surely he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows yet we did esteem him stricken smitten of God and afflicted but he was wounded for our transgressions he was bruised for our iniquities the justice meant of our peace was upon him and with his stripes we are healed. Now although they say in this book that he carried our sicknesses that he bore our infirmities and carried our sicknesses away at the cross.

They then come to the place where they take about a dozen pages to explain that when he was tied over the scourging pole in Pilate's hall and his back was bare and he was lashed with the Roman lash and his back was striped and cut into furrows. This is what the fellow says in the book. He says all the cancers and all the tumors and all the TB and all the goes into all the sicknesses that ever could have been the part of any one of God's children they were all laid on his back.

And when he was beaten with the stripes with a lash then those stripes carried away our infirmities and our sicknesses. And he said that was Christ making atonement for our sicknesses carrying them away. Of course if you join this group you must never be sick.

Not allowed to be sick because your sicknesses has all been taken away. You would know as well as I do that it doesn't work out. The first day you get the flu you're put out of the meeting.

Let me go into this a little bit for you. That first of all atonement was not made in Pilate's hall. All that happened in Pilate's hall was wicked men.

Very wicked men. Yes, battering the body of the Son of God. Now what these fellows are trying to say and I challenged one of them when I was in Canada and I put him in a bit of a fix.

I said you're trying to tell me that they bared his back and put these diseases on his back and then a fellow with a lash and he's cutting the back of Christ into furrows. That this fellow with this lash is sinning against the Savior. And you mean to tell me that he's making atonement at the same moment for the sin he's committing.

Now would you try to tell me because I'm afraid I don't believe nonsense like that. Secondly when Matthew quotes this, it happens to be in Matthew chapter 8 and we are not near the cross. Nix nor near it.

Oh no it is not there. You see I want you to get this. I want you to get fact that we believers here tonight when we look at the cross and men have done the worst and then the darkness deepens and the world shakes then God laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Every believer goes there and and we say to the world tonight he was wounded for my transgressions and he was bruised for my iniquities. But you know we believe this that as he hung there in the darkness that he purged our sins. He his own self bare our sins but the word bare means he bore them away.

You see we come out boldly and we say my sins are gone. But these fellows their sicknesses are not gone. Some of them take sick.

Let me say this to you every one of them take sick. If this had been atonement for sickness it would be gone. That my sins are gone.

This is absolute baloney to talk like this friend. This won't do. My dear friend when we read Matthew 8 we are not near the cross and this quotation is not correct for the cross at all.

You see what the quotation is actually saying is this that the Lord Jesus had a heavy day here. Yes you'll find this when even was come. You know he had worked all day.

If you go back up the chapter you will find when Jesus was coming to Peter's house he saw his wife's mother laid sick of a fever and he healed her. And then you see when the even was come you know they had brought people to him all day. He had worked hard.

You see that it might be fulfilled. Oh how dare you take it from Matthew chapter 8 away to Matthew chapter 27. I'm afraid it was fulfilled where it said it was fulfilled.

You see his heart went out to everybody. And you know he healed as many as time would allow him to heal cause being in the flesh he was bound by time just then. But you know he was under every heavy load and he was helping every soul.

But there's no word about atonement in it. And don't tell me that a man can sin against the body of Christ to make atonement for the sin he's committed. It won't do.

Now the old clock has beaten me. Now I want you to get this. You see there are people who say that homosexuality and this is men with men sinning sexually.

They try to tell us you know that this is just a sickness. Now we will start there next week and I'll show you whether it is or not. Now there's a whole lot of mistaken things about sickness that we must go into next week.

One or two were leaving there but we'll take them as we come next week. I don't think it would be fair cause I'll keep you to 10 o'clock if I start on. Let's bow together before the Lord.

Lord we bow at thy feet. We thank thee for the truth that's packed into this book. And when we go through this Lord and examine it we can see the truth.

And it is the truth that makes us free. We thank thee for all that thou hast taught us in this book about sickness. Lord we thank thee for all thou hast taught us about healing.

We thank thee that thou hast taught us about the mistakes and the mistaken conclusions that so many frauds have in their hearts tonight. Lord help us to gather round our feet that we might see these things clearly and that we might be delivered from these frauds in the future. Lord bless the class tonight.

Just part us now in thy fear and with thy blessing for thy name's sake. Amen.

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