

## **Scripture-Based Prayers for Healing**

We understand that if You, God, are to heal our land, we as Your people, must first humble ourselves, seek Your face, and turn from our wicked ways. Then You will hear and forgive us and heal our land (2 Chron. 7:14).

As Jesus first forgave the sins of the paralytic and then healed him (Mark 2:4-11), we pray that those who are paralyzed by sin would seek Your forgiveness and be restored to physical health as well.

May we reach out and touch the hem of Your garment, like the woman who to whom You said, "Your faith has healed you" (Matt. 9:22), rather than hinder Your healing miracles by our lack of faith (Mark 6:5,6).

Jesus, You bore our sins in Your body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness. By Your wounds we have been healed, spiritually (1 Peter 2:24). We also trust in Your power to physically heal the sick as You did in times past (Luke 5:17). (Both verses use the same Greek word "iaomai" for healing.)

We are so thankful, God, that in response to prayers offered in faith, You have the power to make the sick well (James 5:15). More importantly, You also have the power, through belief in Your Son, to save us (John 3:16, 17). We know that You want *everyone* to be saved, to come to a knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:4). (All three verses use the same Greek word, *sozo*, meaning "deliver from disease" or "spiritual salvation.")

Guide us, Lord, in confessing our sins to each other so that, as we pray for each other, we may be healed (James 5:16).

Gracious God, may those in need of healing find rest in You alone, our salvation. You alone are our rock, our fortress. We will never be shaken (Psalm 62:1,2).

As Aaron ran with his censer of incense into the midst of the people where the plague had already started, making atonement for them, may we, as intercessors, stand between the living and the dead that the plague may be stopped (Numbers 16:47- 48).

We praise You, Lord! You forgive all our sins and heal all our diseases; You redeem our life from the pit and crown us with love and compassion (Ps.103:3,4).

Physical healing is temporary, but spiritual healing is eternal.

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