

God Our Healer

A FATHER'S HOUSE RESOURCE



1. The Healing Father

*If you will diligently listen to the voice of the Lord your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for **I am the Lord, your healer.***

(‘Jehovah Rapha’)

– **Exodus 15:16 (ESV)**

- **His Name reveals His Character**, healing is not just something God does, it’s who He is!
- The name Jehovah-Rophe is found **more than sixty times in the Old Testament**, but the ‘first mention’ and purest definition is found in Exodus 15.

*For **I will restore health** to you, and your **wounds I will heal**, declares the Lord...*

– **Jeremiah 30:17 (ESV)**

He sent out his word and healed them, snatching them from the door of death.

– **Psalms 107:20 (NLT)**

*“See now that I myself am he! There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life, I have wounded and **I will heal**, and no one can deliver out of my hand.*

– Deuteronomy 32:39 (NIV)

*Behold, **I will bring to it health and healing**, and I will heal them and reveal to them abundance of prosperity and security.*

– Jeremiah 33:6 (ESV)

*Then your salvation will come like the dawn, and **your wounds will quickly heal**. Your godliness will lead you forward, and the glory of the Lord will protect you from behind.*

– Isaiah 58:8 (NLT)

*through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for **the healing of the nations**.*

– Revelation 22:2 (ESV)

*There will be swarms of living things wherever the water of this river flows. Fish will abound in the Dead Sea, for its waters will become fresh. **Life will flourish wherever this water flows**.*

– Ezekiel 47:9 (NLT)

*But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and **by his wounds we are healed**.*

– Isaiah 53:5 (NIV)

2. The Healing Messiah

*But for you who fear my name, the **Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in his wings**. And you will go free, leaping with joy like calves let out to pasture.*

– Malachi 4:2

(The “Sun of Righteousness” was a prophetic title of the coming Christ).

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, **that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free,***

*Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and **he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them.***

– **Luke 4:18,40 (NLT)**

*And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and **healing all who were oppressed by the devil,** for God was with him.*

– **Acts 10:38 (NLT)**

*Aware of this, Jesus withdrew from that place. A large crowd followed him, and **he healed all who were ill.***

– **Matthew 12:15 (NLT)**

*One day Jesus was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there. They had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem. **And the power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal the sick.** Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus.*

– **Luke 5:17-18**

*Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. News about him spread as far as Syria, and people soon began bringing to him all who were sick. And whatever their sickness or disease, or if they were demon possessed or epileptic or paralyzed—**he healed them all.***

– **Matthew 4:23-24 (NLT)**

*And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and **he healed them.***
– **Matthew 21:14 (ESV)**

*“He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “**by his wounds you have been healed.**”*
– **1 Peter 2:24 (NIV)**

3. The Healing Church

*Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority to cast out evil spirits and **to heal every kind of disease and illness.***

***Heal the sick,** raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons. Give as freely as you have received!*
– **Matthew 10:1,8 (NLT)**

*(Jesus appointed them) to have power to **heal sicknesses** and to cast out demons:*
– **Mark 3:15 (NKJV)**

Then he sent them out to tell everyone about the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick.
– **Luke 9:2 (NLT)**

Heal the sick, and tell them, ‘The Kingdom of God is near you now.’
– **Luke 10:9 (NLT)**

*Crowds came from the villages around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those possessed by evil spirits, **and they were all healed.***
– **Acts 5:16 (NLT)**

*Many evil spirits were cast out, screaming as they left their victims. And many who had been paralyzed or lame **were healed.***
– **Acts 8:7 (NLT)**

*It happened that the father of Publius lay sick with fever and dysentery. And Paul visited him and prayed, and **putting his hands on him, healed him.***

– Acts 28:8 (ESV)

*Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord. **Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick,** and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven.*

– James 5:14-15 (NLT)

*The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives **the gift of healing.***

– 1 Corinthians 12:9 (NLT)

These scriptures are not an all-inclusive list of the hundreds of examples of healing in the Bible. The clear pattern we see is this: That God is a healing God who sent His Son to be the carriers of healing to a broken planet. Then Jesus delegated and imparted this ministry of healing to His Church. The gifts, miracles, healings, deliverance, and ministry of restoration have been entrusted to us, The Church, until Jesus returns and makes all things new.