

CONDITION vs. CAUSE

A condition is an action required of one person by another. The other person act does not produce the result; it meets the condition for the first person to give the result. Jesus' reference to the brazen serpent in the Old Testament illustrates idea (John 3:14-15). The Israelites were to look on the brazen serpent to be cured from snakebite. Looking at the brazen serpent did not cause the cure. God gave the cure if a person did the looking.

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