

# The Great Physician - The Healing Touch of Jesus

## Chapter 6 - Healing the Spirit

*"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*

The deepest healing the Great Physician offers is not for the body, nor even for the mind, but for the spirit. The spirit is the eternal part of us - the core of who we are - and without Christ, it is separated from God, wounded by sin, and unable to heal itself.

Physical and emotional healing are precious gifts, but they are temporary. Spiritual healing, on the other hand, lasts forever. It restores our relationship with God, frees us from the power of sin, and gives us eternal life.

### The Sickness of Sin

In Romans 3:23, Paul tells us that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Sin is the disease that affects every soul. It is not just wrongdoing - it is a condition of the heart that leads us away from God. No amount of good deeds can cure it.

This is why Jesus came. As the Great Physician, He took our sin upon Himself at the cross, offering forgiveness and cleansing to anyone who will receive Him.

### The Cure Found in the Cross

The cross is the ultimate act of spiritual healing. Jesus bore the punishment that we deserved, and in exchange, He offers us His righteousness. This is not something we earn - it is a free gift received by faith (Ephesians 2:8-9).

When we accept His sacrifice, our spirit is made alive again, and we are reconciled to God. The separation is gone, and we become part of His family.

### Living in Spiritual Wholeness

Spiritual healing is not a one-time event but a lifelong journey. It begins with salvation and continues as the Holy Spirit works within us, shaping our character and drawing us closer to Jesus. This process is called sanctification.

Even when we stumble, the Great Physician is there to restore us. His grace is an endless well for those who belong to Him.

### The Promise of Eternal Life

One day, the healing will be complete. In heaven, there will be no more sin, sorrow, or separation from God.

We will live in His presence forever, perfectly whole in spirit, soul, and body (Revelation 21:4).

This is the ultimate goal of the Great Physician's work - not merely to make life better here, but to prepare us for eternity with Him.

### **Reflection Prayer**

Lord Jesus, thank You for the healing that goes deeper than my body or mind - the healing of my spirit. I confess my need for You and receive the forgiveness You purchased for me at the cross. Help me to live in the fullness of this new life and keep my heart ready for the day I see You face to face. Amen.