

# Jesus Wants To Heal You

That's Always His Will

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**"When Jesus had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him. And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, 'Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean.' Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, 'I am willing; be cleansed.' Immediately his leprosy was cleansed." (Matthew 8:1-3)**

One day Jesus was returning from a time of prayer. A man who had leprosy approached him. In Jesus' day, leprosy was one of the most horrifying, incurable diseases. People who had leprosy were not allowed to come out in public. They were forced by law to live in leper colonies. Lepers were shunned, rejected and sadly separated from non-leprosy family members.

This leprous man approached Jesus with a prayer request. Jesus did not hesitate for a moment to allow the man to come near to Him. The man was unsure of Jesus' willingness to heal him and said, "*Lord, if You are WILLING You can make me clean.*" Jesus immediately responded, "*I AM WILLING.*" Putting out His hand, Jesus actually touched this leprous, unclean man. This was no doubt the first loving, human touch felt by this suffering human being in many long years. Jesus fears no disease and reaches out to touch all people. Jesus' response of "*I AM WILLING ...*" is one of the greatest revelations in the entire Bible.

I have read the New Testament many times so I know what I'm talking about by making the following statement. This is the only time in all of the Bible when someone prayed for healing and said, "*IF YOU ARE WILLING...*" Actually, when Jesus said, "*I am willing ...*" He was correcting the man. He was telling the man not to pray that way when it comes to healing. Today He might say something like, "Don't pray, 'Heal me if it's Your will.' It's always My will to heal you when sickness attacks you.

**Whenever the Bible reveals that something is My will, you should never speak as if it is not."**

**The Bible is clear. Jesus bore our sins on Calvary's Cross. (2 Corinthians 5:21) At that time He also bore the penalties for our sins -- sickness, poverty and eternal separation from God. (Galatians 3:13,14; Romans 6:23) For a more complete listing of all the curses Jesus bore on our behalf, you can go to the Bible. Read Deuteronomy chapter 28, verses 1-14, and you will discover all the advantages of obedience. Verses 15-68 reveal all the disadvantages of disobedience. By living a life of obedience to God's Word, you can avoid the curses borne by Jesus and qualify for the blessings. One such blessing is physical healing. (1Peter 2:24)**

**So from now on, when you need healing, don't pray, "If it is Your will please heal me." Jesus said that's the wrong way to pray, at least when it comes to healing. Pray instead, "Father, in Jesus' Name, I ask forgiveness for my sins. Please give me wisdom and show me where I may have opened the door to physical sickness in my life. I'll fix it so You can heal me. I know this is Your will. The Bible makes that perfectly clear." You'll be amazed at the results. If you're reading this and you've not yet made Jesus the Lord of your life, just say, "Jesus, You're my choice." (Romans 10:13) Then you'll qualify for all the benefits. (Psalm 103:1-5)**

**Be blessed and be healed! ... Pastor John and Barbara Hamel**