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Healing 101:  
Healing is in the Atonement



Being convinced that healing is part of the atonement is essential to your victory in overcoming sickness in your life and developing faith that you might heal the sick and raise the dead. If you think of healing as an 'add-on' blessing or promise, this may limit your faith to just hoping on His mercy.

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## 1. Healing and the Atonement

A.

Jesus and the Atonement:

Jesus quotes and translates the passage in Isaiah 53. This is known as the main passage about the atoning work that Jesus did through His death on the cross. We know that the atonement was for our sins, (here called transgressions and iniquities) but it was also for our sicknesses (by His stripes we are healed).

**ISAIAH 53:4-5**  
**SURELY HE HAS BORNE OUR GRIEFS**  
**AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS;**  
**YET WE ESTEEMED HIM STRICKEN,**  
**SMITTEN BY GOD, AND AFFLICTED.**  
**BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS,**  
**HE WAS BRUISED FOR OUR INIQUITIES;**  
**THE CHASTISEMENT FOR OUR PEACE WAS UPON HIM,**  
**AND BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED.**

B. It could be argued from this passage that the healing is 'just a promise' from God to show that His kingdom had come.

However this is not the case.

C. Jesus showed that Healing is part of His atoning work:

**MATTHEW 8:16-17**  
**WHEN EVENING HAD COME, THEY BROUGHT TO HIM MANY WHO WERE DEMON-**  
**POSSESSED. AND HE CAST OUT THE SPIRITS WITH A WORD, AND HEALED ALL**  
**WHO WERE SICK, THAT IT MIGHT BE FULFILLED WHICH WAS SPOKEN BY ISAIAH**  
**THE PROPHET, SAYING:**  
**"HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES**  
**AND BORE OUR SICKNESSES."**

D. Jesus 'as the lamb of God' took our sins and sicknesses on the cross.

**1 PETER 2:24**  
**WHO HIMSELF BORE OUR SINS IN HIS OWN BODY ON THE TREE, THAT WE, HAVING**  
**DIED TO SINS, MIGHT LIVE FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS—BY WHOSE STRIPES YOU WERE**  
**HEALED.**

Peter again uses the word - 'bore' the sins away.

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Isaiah 53, Matthew and Peter are all referring to the Day of Atonement that occurs under the Old Covenant once a year, yet with Jesus occurs once at His death.

**LEVITICUS 16:21-22**

**AARON SHALL LAY BOTH HIS HANDS ON THE HEAD OF THE LIVE GOAT, CONFESS OVER IT ALL THE INIQUITIES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, AND ALL THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS, CONCERNING ALL THEIR SINS, PUTTING THEM ON THE HEAD OF THE GOAT, AND SHALL SEND IT AWAY INTO THE WILDERNESS BY THE HAND OF A SUITABLE MAN. THE GOAT SHALL BEAR ON ITSELF ALL THEIR INIQUITIES TO AN UNINHABITED LAND; AND HE SHALL RELEASE THE GOAT IN THE WILDERNESS.**

We can now see that you can guarantee your sicknesses are healed as much as you can guarantee your sins are forgiven and forgotten!

**PSALMS 103:2-3**

**BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL,  
AND FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS:  
WHO FORGIVES ALL YOUR INIQUITIES,  
WHO HEALS ALL YOUR DISEASES,**