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C. Elijah Bronner: Thank you for joining Brothers of the Word because brother, you need the Word. We welcome all of you joining us by television and those of you joining us online at brothersoftheword.com or on social media. Welcome to today's service, always a wonderful delight and joy to have you to tune in and join us. I would like to share just a little humor. A woman who was a reporter, she walked up to a little happy old man rocking in a rocking chair on his porch, and she said I couldn't help noticing how happy you look she said. What's your secret for a long happy life. He said, I smoke three packs of cigarettes a day. I also drink a case of whiskey a week. I eat fatty foods and never exercise. That's amazing the reporter said. How old are you? Twenty-six he replied.

That's one of my favorite jokes. I love that little joke. I don't know why I love that little joke so much. But I love that little joke. Well, we are sharing part 4 of God's Word For Life, Health and Healing. God's Word For Life, Health And healing. This is part 4. And we were simply walking through the healing scriptures. The Bible is full of God's Word for healing, wonderful promises for healing and so we're walking through all of the healing scriptures in the Old and New Testament. We have found out that healing is certainly God's Will. Healing is God's Will and it's not only his Will, healing is actually God's provision. He has provided healing for us, for his kids, for his children. Jesus actually referred to healing as the children's bread. Healing is the children's bread. Healing is the children's bread and so we are seated at the table. We are seated at the table and all we have to do is pass the bread, pass the bread. I just happen to love bread. But healing is the children's bread. I think Jesus named it that just for me, because he know I love bread. Healing is the children's bread and so it's our provision God provided. Healing for us as a part of our redemption. So,

our Redemption is twofold. He not only forgave our sins, but he healed our bodies. And so, we have a twofold redemption. You can see it coming even before it got here. You can see it in Psalms 103. "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me. Forget not all his benefits. Here's the first one who forgiveth all of our iniquities who healeth all of our diseases." So, you see even a picture of our twofold redemption even way back in the Book of Psalms. Thousands of years before Jesus got here that redemption was already in progress. And so, our redemption when Jesus went to the cross, he not only died for our sins, but he died for our healing as well. So, we have a twofold redemption. It's our twofold redemption.

And so, last time, we got a chance to look at some of the redemptive scriptures. Isaiah. We looked at Isaiah 53 verse 4 and 5, surely has borne our sicknesses and carried our pains yet we did esteem him, stricken, smitten of God and afflicted. He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes we are healed. We also had a chance to look at Matthew 8:17 who's quoting Isaiah. He's quoting the scripture. I just quoted and he said himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses and then we looked at 1st Peter 2:24 who's looking back at the cross after the work has been accomplished and he says who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree that we being dead to sin should live unto righteousness by whose stripes ye were healed.

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Praise God. By whose stripes ye were healed. By whose stripes ye were – everybody say were. Well, I was going to say keep your mouth closed, just say it on the inside. By whose stripes ye were healed. So, "were" is past tense. It's an accomplished fact. That's not a promise. That's an accomplished fact. That's reality by whose stripes we were here.

I recall reading a testimony from a woman. She was in a wheelchair and she went to a healing meeting and the minister at the meeting, he simply laid his Bible on her lap. She was in a wheelchair. She had been confined to a wheelchair for about four years, hadn't walked in about four years. He laid it on her lap. He said read 1st Peter 2:24. She read it out loud. He said, is that present tense or past tense? She said that's past tense.

We were healed. And then she got ahold then. She said wait a minute, we were healed. We were healed. And then she began to say thank God. No one has to wait on me any longer. Thank God. I can wash my own dishes. I can fold my own clothes and fix my own dinner. She began visualizing herself up doing those things again and all of a sudden the minister just pointed out. He's a sister in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise and walk. She got up and ran around the building. Well, what happened? She got ahold of her redemption. It already belonged to us. She realized that she was already healed. She realized she was already healed and that's what happens when your body catches up to your spirit. Your body catches up to your spirit and healing manifest in the body. So, the light of it shows up in our spirit first and then it comes into the body.

There's a testimony. I wanted to read. This woman, she was listening to a sermon on the atonement on our redemption just like I'm preaching and this was during a revival in Ohio and she said in her heart if that is true and it is because the Bible says so, then she says, I'm just as sure of receiving sight in my blind eye tonight when I go to the altar as I was sure of salvation when I went to the Methodist altar several years ago and was saved. And accordingly with this logical reasoning, she came to the altar and while they were praying for others, she asked God to heal her and before the minister could even wrap his arms around her and pray for her and anoint her with oil, she screamed and she ran back to her seat and they thought something was wrong and she revealed to her father. She said I can see out of my eye. She was blind in one eye and she hadn't been able to see out of it and just at the altar before she could even be prayed over because she had heard the Word that healing was a part of our redemption; she received her sight. Praise God. It's that simple. It is so simple. God made it so simple to receive.

The Bible says that it is a faith that it might be by grace. So, in other words, he's saying I made it simple. All you have to do is believe so that I can gift it to you because it is a gift. It is a gift. It is my mercy. It is my love. It is my compassion. I want to do it for you and I made it simple. You just believe it and now the grace can flow into your life. It is a faith that it might be by grace. We believe so we can receive the free gift. Our believing unlocks the free gift. So, it's a faith that it might be by grace. Healing is a grace, is God's grace, is God's Grace released to the

church, is God's grace released to the world. Healing is God's grace and we simply believe in the work that he has done for us that it might be by grace, that it might be by grace. Praise God. So, healing is God's grace. Healing is God's grace.

That was another man. He had gone to a healing meeting and he had a terminal disease. He had a terminal disease and he had been given a few months to live and he had gone to a healing meeting simply like the one we are having right here, where they were preaching the healing scriptures. And that was one scripture that he got ahold of while he was there. He got ahold of Matthew chapter 8 verse 17, which simply says himself speaking of Jesus took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses and that's all he got.

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He got ahold of that verse and he just began to say it. He began to say it and picture it and think about it. He did it several times a day every day himself. Took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses. Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses. Himself. And he did it day in and day out, just did it every day and after a few months of doing that, something exploded on the inside of him and he sat straight up and he was completely healed of his disease. Well, the Light of that Word burst forth and it produced healing in his body. So, it drilled down. Oral Robert said it like this. Oral Robert said that God's Word is like a drill and it drills down in our spirits until it hits a gusher and he said when it hits that gusher, it's like oil. It's like striking oil and that oil comes gushing out and that's exactly what that man did. He took Matthew 8:17, he drilled it down into his spirit until he hit the gusher and when he hit the gusher, healing came gushing up out of there the same way you drill for oil. Praise God. Isn't God's Word good? God sent his Word and healed us. We are healed by faith in God's Word. It's that simple. We are healed by faith in God's Word. Jesus is the Living Word and He sent the Living Word and we are healed by the Written Word. We are healed by faith in God's Word. Anyway, you look at it, we are healed by faith in God's Word. It's by faith that it might be by grace so God can deliver it. It's a gift. It's a free gift and it's our faith that signs for the gift. It releases the gift. Praise God.

Well, let's look at some scriptures. I have a couple more Old Testament scriptures we'll look at and we'll see where we go from there. You know, I'm not really teaching in any particular order. I'm just trying to teach it as it comes. I'm having so much fun, I just feel like I'm a kid in a candy store. That's how much fun I'm having. I'm having so much fun and some of these scriptures I've been going over for years and years, but some of them this is the first time I'm actually teaching them in relation to healing. So, some of these are the first look I've taken at them. The Holy Spirit showed me some things and I say, wow, I've never known that or seen that until now. So, isn't that exciting. Praise God. You can be studying a subject for years and years and God will still show you something new. He'll still show you something new.

Let's look at -- this was one in Jeremiah, Jeremiah, Jeremiah chapter 30 verse 17. You don't have to turn there. I'll read it to you. Jeremiah chapter 30 verse 17 says., "for I will restore health unto thee and I will heal thee of thy wounds saith the Lord. I will restore health unto thee and I will heal thee of thy wounds saith the Lord." Notice that God is a restorer. God is a restorer and so healing is nothing more than the restoration of health. That's all healing is. God restores us to a former condition of health and that's what healing is. So, God says I will restore health unto thee. I will heal thee of thy wounds. God of the restorer. Healing is simply is to be restored to health. Restore means to return to original condition, to bring back, means to bring back health, to return health. I will restore health unto you. So, if you've lost your health, this is the good news of the Gospel. I will restore health back to you. I will restore health unto you and this is a good confession for you to say. God is restoring my health and healing my wounds. God is restoring my health and healing my wounds. Anybody got any old wounds? And sometimes wounds are not just physical, sometimes you can have emotional wounds. You've been deeply hurt, wounded. God heals our emotional wounds as well. This is scripture for Jeremiah 30:17. I restore health unto you. Now, heal up your wounds. Praise God. That's beautiful. God is a restorer. God is a restorer. I like this translation. "For I will give you health again and heal your wounds." And I love this translation. This is the CEV. Contemporary English version.

It says, “no one wants you as a friend or cares what happens to you, but I will heal your injuries and you will get well.” Praise God. That’s God’s Word to us. That’s God’s Word to us. That’s God’s Word to us. I’ll heal your injuries and you will get well. So, God restores health onto me and He heals my wounds. God restores health under me and He heals my wounds. So, if you’re experiencing any sickness, that’s a great confession to have. God restores health unto me based on Jeremiah 30:17. God restores health unto me, and He heals my wounds. Praise God. Praise God. That’s his Word. Remember we said, God’s Word is medicine. And so, when you’re taking it over and over and over and over several times a day, you’re literally taking medicine. God’s Word is medicine. It is medicine. And so, you’re taking God’s medicine. So, just like you take the doctors medicine from your physician, you take God’s medicine. His medicine is His Word. You can take as many doses as you want, you can overdose on it and there are no side effects. Praise God. I love it. I love it. That’s God’s medicine. So, that’s Jeremiah 30:17.

And let’s see, here’s another one. This as Malachi. This is actually the last book of the Old Testament. Malachi, the last prophet of the Old Testament. Malachi on chapter 4 verse 2 and it says, “but unto you that fear My name shall the son of righteousness arise with healing in his wings.” So, here’s a prophetic scripture about Jesus coming with healing power, with healing virtue, with healing flowing out of Him. And this is a picture of Jesus and so notice it refers to Him as the sun S-U-N, the sun of righteousness arises with healing in His wings and wings are twofold. In some translations, let me read this and this is the good news translation. You can really hear it clearly. You can understand it better. Exactly the terminology as it relates to the Sun, S-U-N of righteousness. Listen to this. It says, “but for you who obey Me, My saving power will rise on you like the sun and bring healing like the sun’s rays. You will be as free and happy as calves let out of the stall.” Praise God. So, there’s going to be a lot of rejoicing. There’s a lot of rejoicing. There’s a lot of rejoicing when His Power rises on us as the sun and His healing rays are released into our lives into our body. So, this is a prophetic scripture about Jesus. Also, the other translation of that word wings where it says that Jesus would arise as a Son of Righteousness arises with healing in His wings. It refers to the prayer shawl. Jesus wore a prayer shawl and at the bottom of that prayer shawl that draped over Him, the little tassels. They represented all the laws. All the laws were

represented at the tassel, the fringes of the prayer shawl. And so even if you look at a prayer shawl today, you look at the very bottom of it. It has tassels. Each strand represents certain number of laws. And so, all the laws are contained in the hem or the fringes of the border of that prayer shawl and that's what Jesus wore and so that's why when the woman touched the hem of His garment, she was laying hold on the fact that Jesus had kept all the laws. He was pure righteousness and because He was pure righteousness, the blessing belonged to Him. And so, when she touched the wings, there was healing in the wings because of His righteousness. The sun of righteousness would arise with healing in his wings and that's why several places that Jesus went, the Bible says they just brought people out into the street and as many touched the hem of His garment, they were made whole. They were doing the same thing. They were touching the wings that was prophesied by Malachi. He would have healing in his wings because He kept the law, the blessing belonging to Christ Jesus. And now I want you to see this. I want you to see this and this is powerful. They were healed by touching His hem. They were touching a part of His clothing and they were healed. Now, I want you to see where we're positioned today.

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We're not touching His hem today. We are in Him. He is in us. This is no longer touching the hem. It's now union. He's a part of us. Christ in us, the hope of glory. We are the Temple of the Holy Spirit. Yet the same spirit that raised Jesus from the dead dwell in your mortal body, shall it not quicken your mortal body? We're union, we're one with Him. The Life of Christ Jesus is made manifest in our flesh. So, we're no longer touching merely His hem. We are part of that. He is in us. His life flows in us. Our lives are hidden in Him and His life flows and us. As the Power of the Living Christ, that's healing at his ultimate when the Life of Christ is flowing through you. That's the ultimate healing where no disease can attach because the very Life of Christ itself is flowing through you. Praise God. Man, anybody else get happy over that? I got happy when I saw that. I said, oh, my goodness. We're no longer touching His hem. We're a part of Him. We are part of His body. He's in us. We are in Him.

Now, let me show up this up this last part and I'm going to stop for the day, but notice what it says. Let me read it one more

time. It says, “but unto you that fear my name shall the sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings.” Now, I came across the Holy Spirit actually reminded me of this one because I had not thought of this in relation to that verse that we just read, had never thought of this in relation to Malachi 4:2 until the Holy Spirit prompted my heart to take a look at it. In the verse of II Peter 1:19 listen to this. “And we have also the true word of prophecy upon which you do well to gaze as at a lamp that shines in a dark place until the day will shine and the sun will rise in your Heart.” This is saying if you will gaze at God’s Word long enough, it’ll eventually dawn on your heart. There’s that son of righteousness that we just read about in Malachi. The sun of righteousness will arise with healing in His rays. And that’s what happened to the man who was meditating on Matthew 8:17. He meditated on long enough until the day star dawned on his heart. Oh man. I had never known that. I had never seen that. I never read that anywhere. The Holy Spirit brought that to me. He said that’s the same day star as relating to the sun of righteousness. When you stay in the Word long enough, it’ll eventually registers on your spirit and healing will flow into your body. Let me read it again. This is actually from the Aramaic Bible. This is not the King James. This is an Aramaic Bible. II Peter 1:19, “and we have also the true word of prophecy upon which you do well to gaze as at a lamp that shines in a dark place until the day will shine and the sun will rise in your hearts.” You keep looking at God’s Words long enough, it’ll eventually dawn on your heart. The light will turn on. The light will turn on and healing will manifest in your body. Praise God. Praise God.

I’m going to stop right there. I’m having so much fun. Thank you all for coming to my party. Praise God. Those of you who are watching by television, I want you to go to brothersoftheword.com. You can listen to this entire series absolutely free of charge. God’s Word for Life Health and Healing. You can also email it to a friend.

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