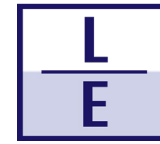


The gift of healing does not give a person supernatural power over disease. He or she is simply an instrument through whom God works when He desires to heal. There were several uses of this gift in the New Testament. There was the humanitarian element of showing God's love and compassion to people in need. There was releasing healing power, which gave authority to the message and the messenger who brought God's word to the people. It was a way of demonstrating the love and compassion of God to people."

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Luke 11:14-15 ESV

Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."



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Ephesians 6:10-13 NLT

10 A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. 12 For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm.

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1 Corinthians 15:42-44 NLT

42 It is the same way with the resurrection of the dead. Our earthly bodies are planted in the ground when we die, but they will be raised to live forever. 43 Our bodies are buried in brokenness, but they will be raised in glory. They are buried in weakness, but they will be raised in strength. 44 They are buried as natural human bodies, but they will be raised as spiritual bodies. For just as there are natural bodies, there are also spiritual bodies.

Revelation 21:4 NLT

4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.”

Isaiah 53:4-5 NLT

Yet it was our weaknesses he carried;

it was our sorrows that weighed him down.

And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God,  
a punishment for his own sins!

But he was pierced for our rebellion,  
crushed for our sins.

He was beaten so we could be whole.

He was whipped so we could be healed.

1 Corinthians 12:4-11 NKJV

There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

1. for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit,
2. to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit,
3. to another faith by the same Spirit,
4. to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,
5. to another the working of miracles,
6. to another prophecy,
7. to another discerning of spirits,
8. to another different kinds of tongues,
9. to another the interpretation of tongues.

But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

## Jesus is Our Model

John 5:19 NLT

So Jesus explained, “I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does.

## The Gift of Healing

The gift of healing is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to serve as human intermediaries through whom it pleases God to cure illness and restore health apart from the use of natural means.

C. Peter Wagner, Your Spiritual Gifts Can Help your Church Grow.

“It seems that in the exercise of this gift that faith plays a crucial role. However, Faith to be healed does not always originate with the person needing healing although this is often the case in the New Testament. Sometimes the faith originates with the person doing the healing. Other times it appears as if it depends totally upon God and not upon the healer or the person receiving the healing. The phrase, the power of the Lord was present for healing, occurs several times in the New Testament. When the power of the Lord is present for healing the quality of faith in the one being healed and the quality of faith in the healer seems to be overshadowed by the sovereign work of God. “

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