

Session 14

**Does
God
heal
+ today**



1. HEALING IN THE BIBLE

- Old Testament
 - 'I am the Lord who heals you' (Exodus 15:26)
 - The character of God – it's in his nature to heal
 - Examples of God healing (2 Kings 5; Isaiah 38–39)
- The ministry of Jesus
 - 'Jesus' means 'Saviour'
 - Greek sozo means 'I save', also 'I heal'
 - The healing miracles of Jesus form 25% of the Gospels
 - Jesus healed (Matthew 4:23)
 - he gave his followers authority to heal (Luke 10:9, Acts)
 - we see healing throughout church history
 - he commissions us to pray for and heal the sick today

2. HEALING TODAY

- God heals explicably – through the medical profession
- God heals inexplicably and directly

**'When we prayed for
no one, no one was
healed. Now we pray for
lots of people and some
are healed'**

(JOHN WIMBER)

3. HOW DO WE HEAL?

- It's God who heals – not us

- Simplicity – pray as Jesus did with love and compassion (Matthew 9:36; Mark 1:41)

- Words of knowledge
 - Pictures
 - Sympathy pain
 - Impressions
 - Hear or see words

- Prayer – simple model
 - Where does it hurt?
 - Lay hands on the person
 - Ask the Holy Spirit to come
 - Ask how are they doing / if they can feel anything different
 - Sometimes you need to pray more than once

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RECOMMENDED READING

Dirty Glory
Pete Greig

Power Evangelism
John Wimber

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