

# **Understanding and Using the Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

**Lesson 13: The Gifts of Healings**

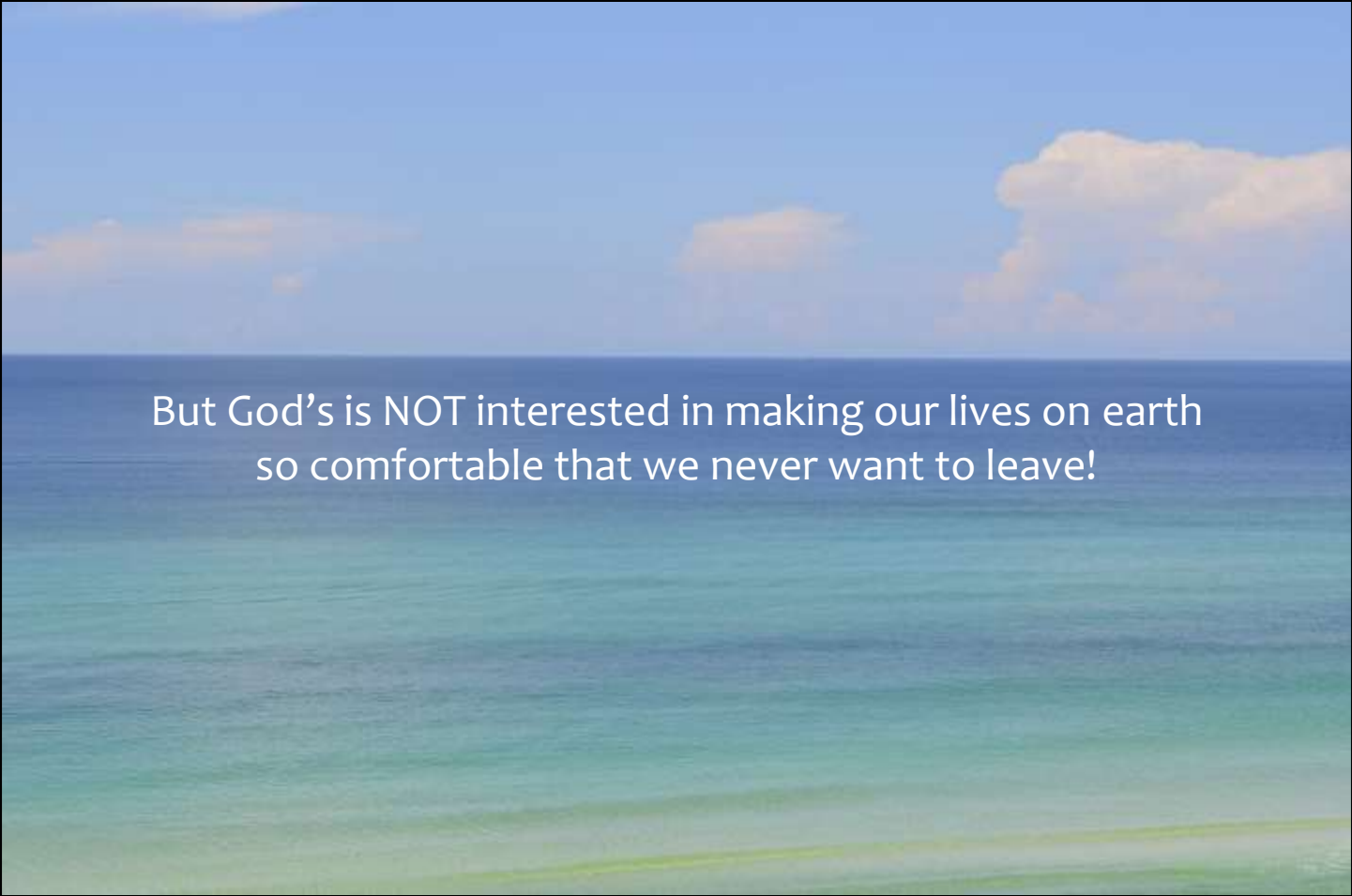
In this lesson, you will learn about:

1. Preaching the Kingdom and Healing the Sick
2. Healing is a SIGN and a WONDER
3. The Afflictions of the Righteous
4. Casting out devils
5. Different kinds of physical healings
6. How all the gifts of the Spirit work together to bring to pass a healing

1. Preaching the Kingdom and Healing the Sick



This world can be a place of great beauty...

A scenic view of a tropical beach. The foreground shows a sandy beach with gentle waves washing onto the shore. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, transitioning to a deeper blue as it extends to the horizon. The sky is a clear, bright blue, dotted with a few fluffy white clouds. The entire scene is framed by a dark blue border.

But God's is NOT interested in making our lives on earth  
so comfortable that we never want to leave!



God has something much better planned for his children:

**1 Corinthians 2:9**

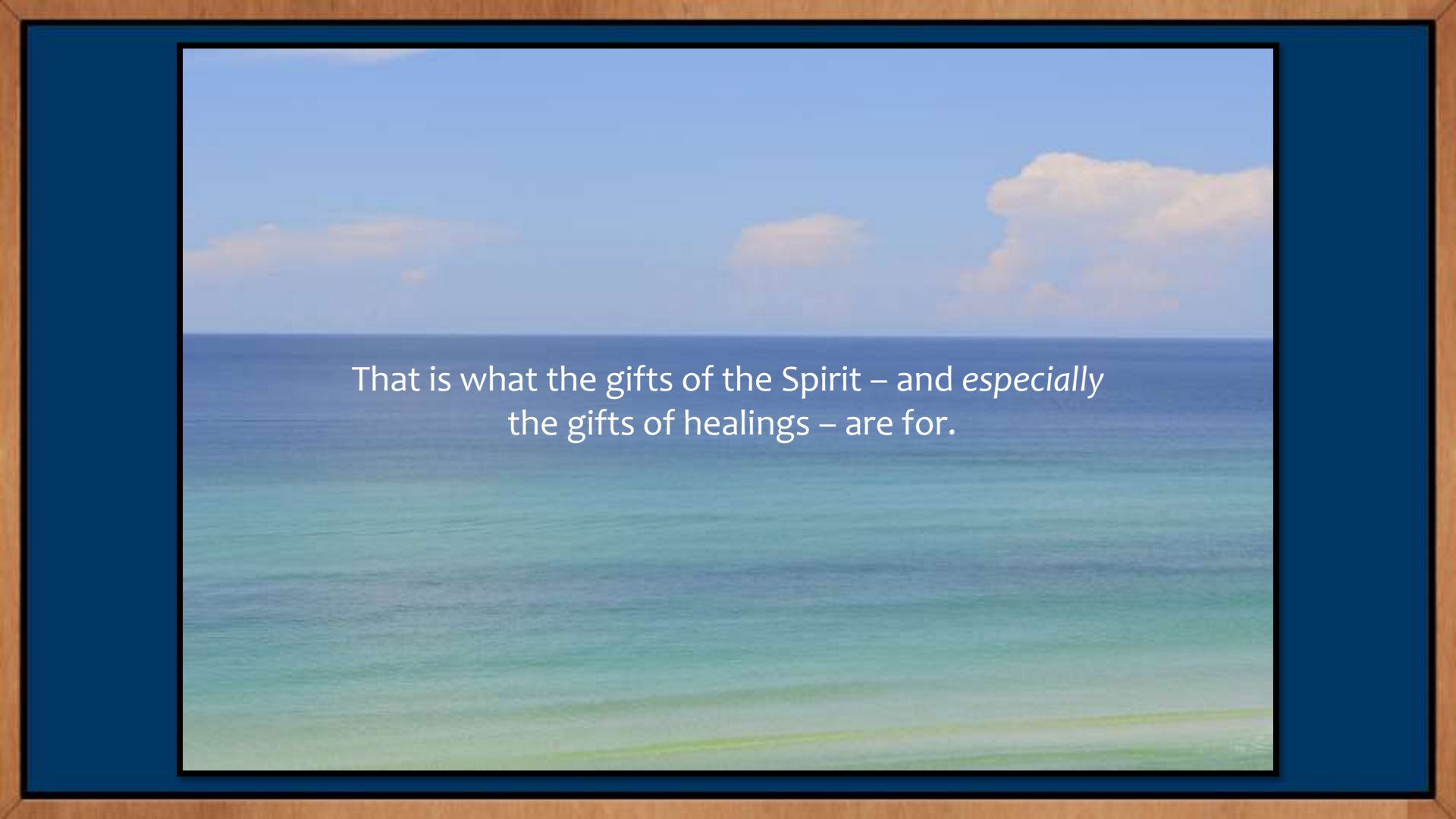
Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard,  
neither have entered into the heart of man,  
the things which God hath prepared for  
them that love him.

While we are still on earth, our job is to make known God's eternal kingdom.

**1 Timothy 2:3-4**

- <sup>3</sup> For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;
- <sup>4</sup> Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.



A wide-angle photograph of a calm ocean under a clear blue sky. The water transitions from a deep blue in the distance to a lighter, turquoise green in the foreground. A few soft, white clouds are scattered across the sky. The entire image is framed by a dark blue border.

That is what the gifts of the Spirit – and *especially*  
the gifts of healings – are for.





For Jesus, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing the sick could not be separated.



**Matthew 9:35**

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.



He taught his disciples to think the same way.

**Luke 9:1-2**

- <sup>1</sup> Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.
- <sup>2</sup> And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.





To preach the kingdom and heal the sick is to fully preach the gospel. It is to say in word and deed, “The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you” (Luke 10:9).



This brings us to the last gift of the Spirit in these lessons: **the gifts of healings.**

## The Spirit SPEAKS

## The Spirit REVEALS

## The Spirit MOVES

By the gifts of healings, the Spirit gives you power and authority to cast out unclean spirits and heal all manner of sickness and disease in the name of Jesus Christ.

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2. Healing is a SIGN and a WONDER



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### **Acts 14:8-10**

- <sup>8</sup> And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:
- <sup>9</sup> The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,
- <sup>10</sup> Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.





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AND A SIGN.

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IT IS A SIGN OF THE  
RESURRECTION OF CHRIST.



**Acts 4:33**

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.





Jesus said, “Because I live, ye shall live also” (John 14:19). A healing is an gift of life. It is a preview of what will happen when we are carried away to forever with the Lord.

In an instant, all our problems,  
every ailment, and every trace of world-  
weariness will vanish away.

**1 Corinthians 15:52**

In a moment,  
in the twinkling of an eye,  
at the last trump:  
for the trumpet shall sound,  
and the dead shall be raised  
incorruptible,  
and we shall be changed.



A healing is like a postcard from heaven.



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3. The Afflictions of the Righteous



Jesus could return for us at any time.  
But as long as we live in this world,  
we will face trouble along the way.

**Psalm 34:19**

Many *are* the afflictions of the  
righteous:  
but the LORD delivereth him out  
of them all.



There are two kinds of afflictions –  
PHYSICAL (sickness and disease),  
and SPIRITUAL (unclean spirits).

The Lord has power over both.

**Matthew 10:1**

And when he had called unto *him*  
his twelve disciples, he gave them  
power *against* unclean spirits, to  
cast them out, and to heal all  
manner of sickness and all manner  
of disease.



The gift of healing is the power given by the Holy Spirit to cast out unclean spirits, and to heal all manner of sickness and disease according to the revelation you have received from God.

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To do a CURE is to remove the CAUSE of the problem – something physical or spiritual that should not be there.

**Luke 7:21**

And in that same hour **he cured many** of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight.



Biblically, the casting out of a devil is a healing – a cure.

**Matthew 17:18**

And Jesus rebuked the devil;  
and he departed out of him:  
and the child was **cured** from that  
very hour.



When someone moves into a new home, he takes possession of it.

Just the same, when an evil spirits reside in a person, that person is said to be possessed by devils.

**Matthew 4:24**

And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, **and those which were possessed with devils**, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.





Evil spirits and diseases are parasites.  
They need a host, a place to dwell.





### **Matthew 12:43-45a**

- 43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.
- 44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished.
- 45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first...

“This parable ... is applicable to all those who hear the word of God, and are in part reformed, but not truly converted.

The unclean spirit leaves for a time, but when he returns, he finds Christ is not there to shut him out.”

Theologian Matthew Henry



A clean “house” that is empty  
and unlocked is a welcome sight  
to a devil.



To cast out a devil is to throw it out  
of the place it is living.



**Matthew 12:28-29**

<sup>28</sup> But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

<sup>29</sup> Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.



The *strong man* is the invading devil.  
His *house* is the person he's  
possessed. To *bind* a devil is to  
overpower it with the superior  
strength of Christ.



How much power is needed to  
cast out a devil?



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no doubt the kingdom of  
God is come upon you”  
(Luke 11:20).



**WE MUST GUARD OUR 'HOUSE' FROM UNWANTED VISITORS AND SECURE OUR DELIVERANCE WITH OBEDIENCE TO THE TRUTH.**

**PRIVATE PROPERTY**

**NO  
TRESPASSING**

**PURCHASED WITH THE  
BLOOD OF THE LAMB**



Actus XIX. *L'Esprit macon maltrattato per la folla de Scava.*  
11—15. De booze Geest anstaandel: de 7 Zocmen van Scava.

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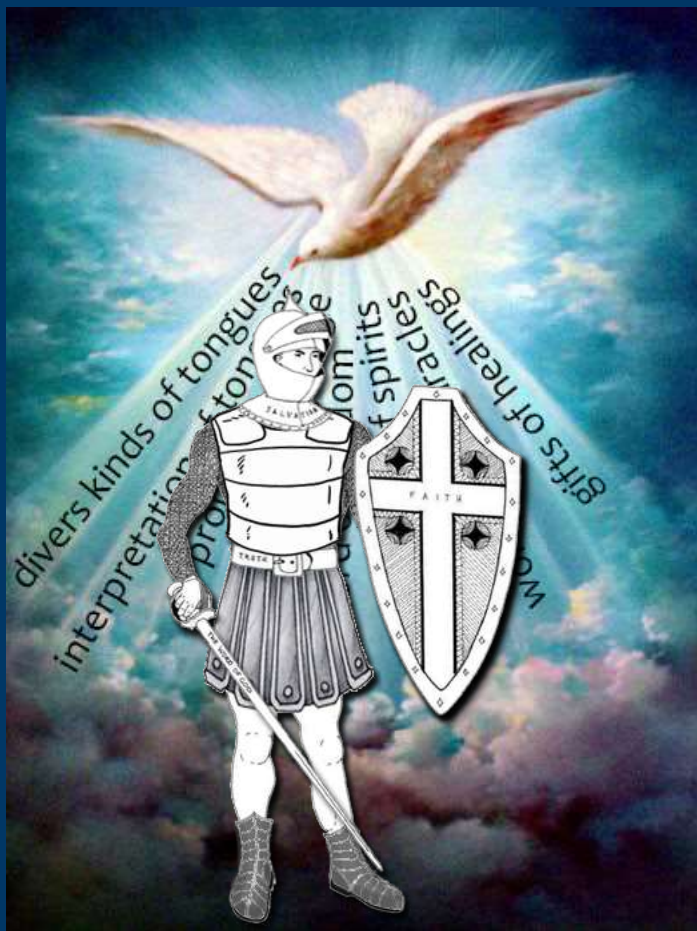
Devils are wiser and more powerful than people. That is why you must stand in the power of God. Otherwise you could end up like one of the seven sons of Sceva:



Actus XIX. *L'Esprit malin maltravaille le zèle de S. Paul.*  
13—15. De booze. Geest antiaandele: de 7 Zoonen van Sceva.

## Acts 19:13-16

- <sup>13</sup> Then certain of the vagabond [wandering] Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.
- <sup>14</sup> And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, *and* chief of the priests, which did so.
- <sup>15</sup> And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?
- <sup>16</sup> And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.



Devils obey God's command, not ours.  
This is why we must be sure we are following  
the Lord's guidance, and walking under the  
authority of the King of kings.

### **Deuteronomy 6:19**

To cast out all thine enemies from before  
thee, **as the LORD hath spoken.**

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Physical healings come in different ways:

As we already learned, some healings are *cures*.

To do a cure is to remove the *cause* of the problem. But first, we need a revelation from God to identify the cause.

**Proverbs 26:2**

As the bird by wandering,  
as the swallow by flying,  
**so the curse causeless shall  
not come.**



Physical healings come in different ways:

By the word of knowledge and the discerning of spirits, the Holy Spirit can show you the hidden CAUSE of the affliction, and whether it is physical or spiritual.

**Job 29:15-16**

- <sup>15</sup> I was eyes to the blind,  
and feet was I to the lame.
- <sup>16</sup> I was a father to the poor:  
and the cause which I knew  
not I searched out.

Physical healings come in different ways:

Some healings are *recoveries*.

To *recover* is “to regain health after sickness; to grow well”  
(Webster’s Dictionary).

**Mark 16:18b**

... they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall *recover*.

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Some healings are *restorations*.  
When something is restored, it  
is brought back to the way it  
was before.

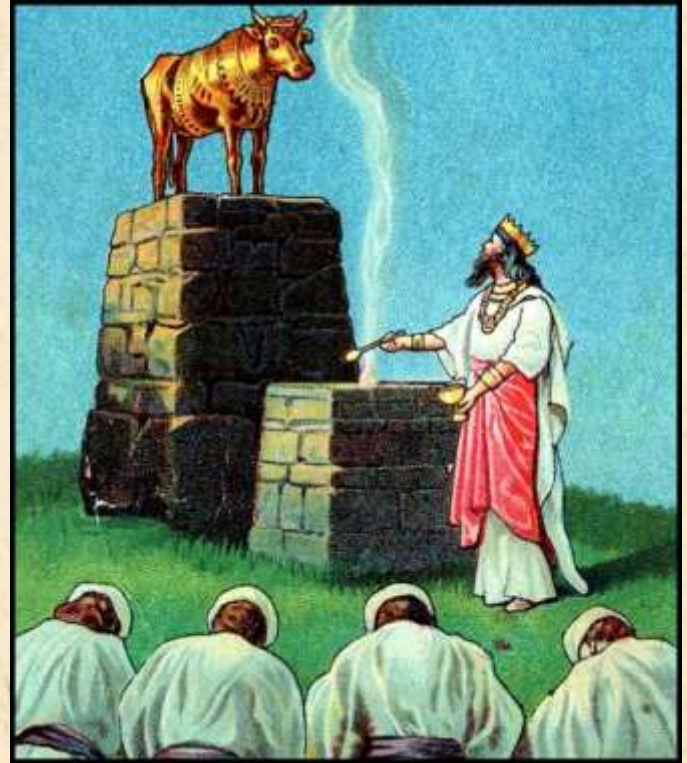
**Jeremiah 30:17a**

For I will **restore** health unto  
thee, and I will heal thee of  
thy wounds, saith the LORD...

## 1 Kings 13:4

And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which had cried against the altar in Bethel, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him.

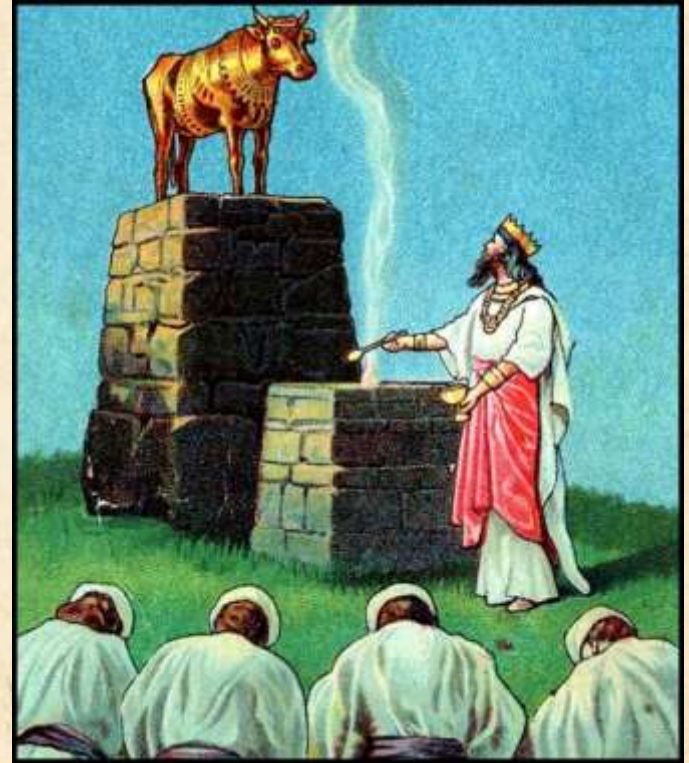
And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.



## 1 Kings 13:6

And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now the face of the LORD thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again.

And the man of God besought the LORD, **and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as it was before.**



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To make someone WHOLE is to replace the part that was missing or lost.

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But why should this be a surprise?

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**Luke 1:37**

For with God nothing shall be impossible.

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Whether it comes as a cure,  
a restoration, or by making someone  
whole, every healing is a gift from our  
powerful, loving, and merciful God.

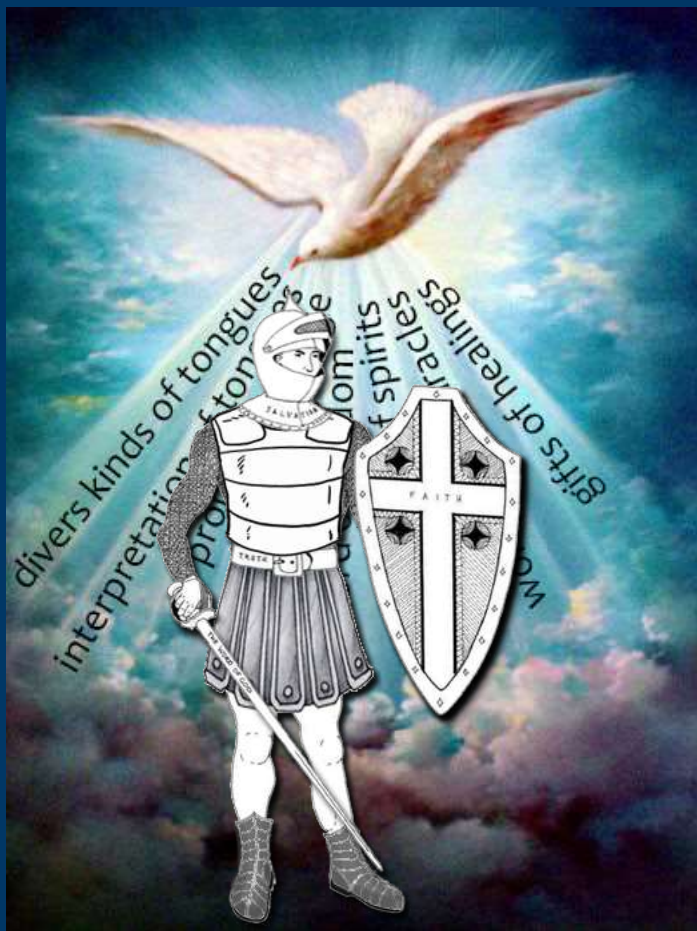
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**Exodus 15:26b**

...for I *am* the LORD that  
healeth thee.

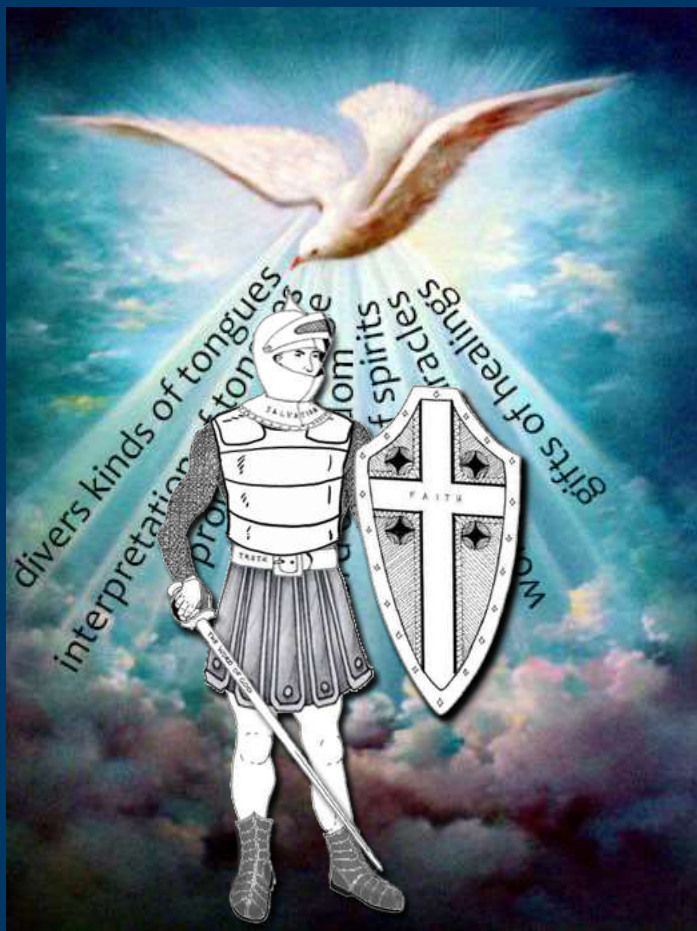


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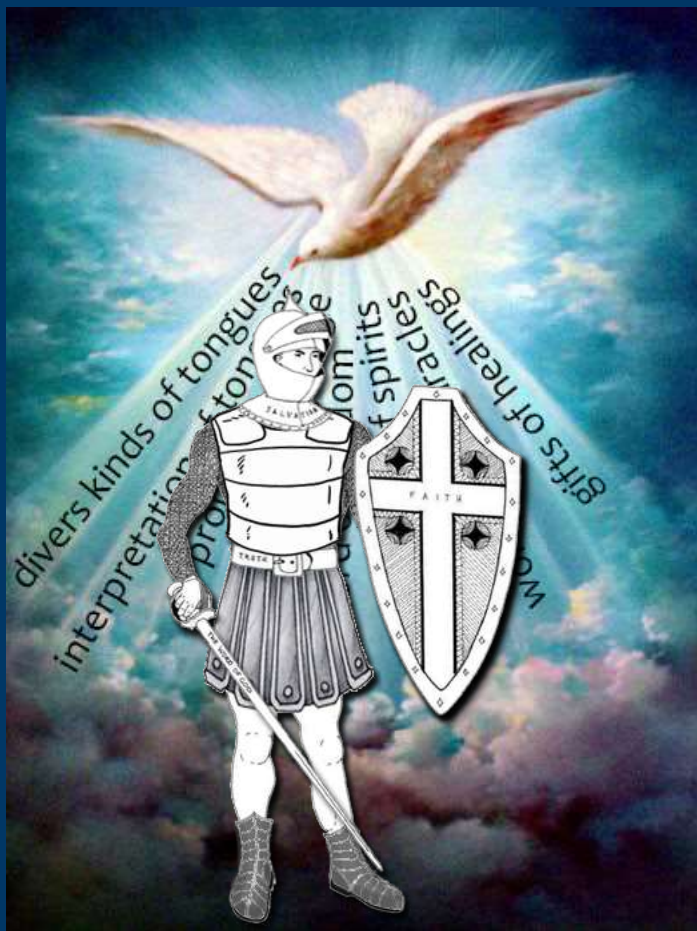
When we speak in tongues, our INNER MAN is strengthened. We are READY for when the LORD calls on us.

Through the gift of tongues with the interpretation of tongues, or by the gift of prophecy, we can hear words that will edify, exhort, and comfort us.



Through the gifts of the word of knowledge and the discerning of spirits, the LORD can show us everything we need to know to do the job set before us.

Through the gift of the word of wisdom, we learn what the LORD wants us to do.



By the gift of faith, our eyes are opened to believe the revelation God gives us.

By the gift of the working of miracles, we are able to bring signs and wonders to pass according to the revelation God has given us.

By the gifts of healings, we are able to cure physical and spiritual afflictions in the name of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation God has given us.

In the next lesson, we will see the difference in the biblical records of the healings of the saved and the unsaved.

## Questions to help you understand the lesson:

1. In Luke 9:2, Jesus sent his disciples to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What are the two categories of afflictions?
3. To do a CURE is to remove the \_\_\_\_\_ of the problem.
4. According to Luke 11:20, how much power is needed to cast out a devil?
5. In 1 Kings 13:6, King Jeroboam's dried up hand was \_\_\_\_\_ by the power of God.

Each question is worth 20 points.





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