

**Healing: The Message  
And Method Of Jesus  
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**I. The Message Of Jesus**

**A. Introduction**

1. Mark 16:15, 20
  - a. It is the Word that God confirms with miracles
  - b. You must have the right Word
2. Acts 14:3
  - a. Signs and wonders came because God was bearing witness to His Word
  - b. Conclusion: If you present the wrong word you cannot expect the attesting miracles
3. Traditionally, the church has really not presented the message of the Gospel
4. The word “Gospel” means Good News

**B. Good News of the kingdom**

1. Definition: The Good News that God is willing to take over the government of the human race
  - a. All man’s problems began when he rejected the government of God
  - b. Only solution to human problems is for man to come back under the government of God
  - c. Cannot receive the Gospel in a New Testament sense unless you accept and submit to the righteous government of God
2. Five phases of the Good News of the (government) kingdom of God:
  - a. Prediction
  - b. Proclamation
  - c. Proof
  - d. Prayer
  - e. Priority
3. Prediction (Is. 9:6–7)
  - a. Peace is only possible under the government of Jesus Christ
  - b. Kind of government—a kingdom
4. Proclamation (Matt. 3:1–2, 4:17)
  - a. Proclamation begins with requirement to repent because we are all by nature rebels
    - (1) Repentance is not an emotion but a decision
    - (2) We are rebels by nature, choice and act
    - (3) There is no way into the kingdom of God that bypasses repentance
    - (4) A person who repents never argues with God
  - b. Jesus began His ministry with the same proclamation
5. Proof (Matt. 4:23–24, 10:5–8, 12:28)
  - a. Sin and sickness cannot exist in the kingdom of God
  - b. Apostles commissioned to carry the same message with the same proofs
6. Prayer (Matt. 6:9–10)
  - a. First petition: “Your kingdom come. . . .”
  - b. Where is the kingdom to come? On earth
  - c. Purpose of the Gospel is to get heaven to earth

7. Priority (Matt. 6:33)
  - a. Kingdom of God comes before all our personal needs and problems
  - b. Outside of the kingdom of God there is no righteousness

## **II. Israel Rejected The King**

- A. They forfeited the kingdom (John 19:14–16)
  1. If you want the kingdom you have to start with the King
  2. Without the King there is no kingdom
  3. Jesus warned them (Matt. 21:42–43)
    - a. Essence of the kingdom is fruit
    - b. Because Israel did not produce the fruit, God said He was going to give the kingdom to another nation
    - c. The nation that brings forth the fruit is the church (1 Peter 2:9)
- B. Offer extended to all nations
  1. Matthew 28:19–20
  2. Mark 16:15

## **III. The Kingdom Offered**

- A. Invisible, internal and spiritual (Luke 17:20–21)
- B. Nature of the kingdom (Romans 14:17)
  1. Righteousness
  2. Peace
  3. Joy
  4. Only where the Holy Spirit operates is this possible
- C. Full implication (Is. 33:22, 24)
  1. The Lord is my judge
    - a. God tells you what is right and wrong
    - b. You are not free biblically to do anything that you cannot do to the glory of God and in the name of Jesus Christ
  2. The Lord is my lawgiver
    - a. The Lord sets my lifestyle
    - b. Diet, exercise and rest
  3. The Lord is my king
    - a. “God, whatever you tell me, I will do”
    - b. “You are my Director”
  4. No new patch on an old garment
    - a. Luke 5:36
    - b. Change your lifestyle—put on a new garment

## **IV. Method Of Jesus While On Earth**

- A. Jesus required a different level of commitment
  1. Matt. 12:15—Mass healing
  2. Matt. 15:29–32—People followed Him for several days
  3. Matt. 19:1–2—People followed Him for several days
- B. By contrast (Matt. 15:21–28)
  1. Jesus devoted one week to one person
  2. Occasionally healed on a one-to-one basis