

Matthew 4:24

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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.

Analysis

Jesus' comprehensive healing ministry demonstrated His divine authority and compassionate character. The breadth of ailments healed—"all manner of sickness and all manner of disease"—shows no malady was beyond His power. These healings were not merely humanitarian but served as 'signs' authenticating His messianic identity (Isaiah 35:5-6) and demonstrating His authority over the effects of the fall. Physical healing illustrated spiritual healing from sin.

Historical Context

Jesus' healing ministry fulfilled Isaiah's prophecies of Messiah healing the sick and afflicted (Isaiah 35:5-6, 53:4). In first-century Palestine under Roman occupation, many lacked access to medical care. Jesus' healing brought immediate relief without cost or requirement of social status.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How do Jesus' physical healings serve as signs pointing to His greater work of spiritual healing from sin?
2. What does the indiscriminate nature of Jesus' healing (all manner of disease) reveal about the scope of His saving power?

Interlinear Text

καὶ ἀπῆλθεν ἡ ἀκοὴ αὐτούς εἰς ὅλην τὴν
And went G3588 fame his throughout all G3588
G2532 G565 G189 G846 G1519 G3650

Συρίαν· καὶ προσήνεγκαν αὐτούς πάντας τοὺς κακῶς
Syria And they brought his all G3588 sick
G4947 G2532 G4374 G846 G3956 G2560

ἔχοντας ποικίλαις νόσοις καὶ βασάνοις συνεχομένους
people divers diseases And torments that were taken with
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καὶ δαιμονιζομένους καὶ σεληνιαζομένους καὶ
And those which were possessed with devils And those which were lunatick And
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παραλυτικούς· καὶ ἐθεράπευσεν αὐτούς
those that had the palsy And he healed his
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Additional Cross-References

Matthew 17:15 (Parallel theme): Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for oftentimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water.

Matthew 8:6 (Parallel theme): And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

Matthew 12:22 (Evil): Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.

Matthew 17:18 (Evil): And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

Matthew 15:22 (Evil): And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.

Luke 5:15 (Parallel theme): But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

Luke 2:2 (Parallel theme): (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

Acts 10:38 (Evil): How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Acts 15:23 (Parallel theme): And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

Mark 1:32 (Evil): And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.