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Discussion Questions – Healing

Read Matthew 4:23,24

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. 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 lunatic, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

- What is healing?
- What kinds of people needed healing?
- Name some of the healings you find in Matthew.
 - Leper restored (Matt 8:2-4)
 - Palsy healed (Matt 9:2-8)
 - Peter's mother-in-law's fever stopped (Matt 8:14-17)
 - Two blind men see (Matt 9:27-31)
 - o Dumb man speaks (Matt 9:32-35)
 - Man with the withered hand is restored (Matt 12:10-15)
 - Blind and dumb sees and speaks (Matt 12:22-30)
 - Multitudes healed of lameness, blindness, dumbness (Matt 15:29-31)
 - Healed hunger fed 5000 people (Matt 15: 32-39)
 - Two more blind men receive their sight (Matt 20:29-34)
 - o Blind and lame healed (Matt 21:12-14)
 - What are some of the healings not mentioned above? Can you find them in the book of Matthew?
- Select any of the healings from above and read and discuss how Jesus healed.
 - o Did he require anything of the people healed?
 - What unusual thing did he do to the leper? (he touched him)
 - Why was that unusual? (people wouldn't touch lepers because they would be made unclean)
 - What did he say to the man who was sick of the palsy?
 - What did Peter's mother-in-law do after she was healed? (served Jesus and the disciples a meal)
 - O What did Jesus do to the two blind men in Matt 9?

- o What did he say to them?
- o What did Jesus cast out of the dumb man?
- What was unusual about healing the man with the withered hand? (it was the Sabbath)
- o Why did the Pharisees consider healing to be bad on the Sabbath?
- o How did Jesus feel about it?
- Why did the healing of the blind and dumb man upset the Pharisees this time? (Matt 12:22-30)
- o How did Jesus feed the 5000 people?
- Have you had any healings?
 - o How did you pray?
 - o What in Jesus' healings gives us reason to believe that healing is natural?