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"With His Stripes We Are Healed"

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. . . A very cheerful greeting, friends, to all who are listening to the Mission Trail Broadcast. I am certainly happy to be coming your way again with a gospel message for your encouragement. I have been impressed recently with the need of getting hold of the promises of God and presenting them to you in regard to our physical healing. There are so many which are sick and afflicted who need to be healed. But first let me point out that healing is a part of the gospel. It is included in the atonement which Christ made when he suffered on the cross just the same as our salvation.

Listen to this prophecy which was made concerning Christ by the prophet Isaiah about 540 years before the coming of the Saviour. "He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."

Now it does not seem hard for one to get hold of the promises of God for their salvation, for it is generally accepted that Christ made the atonement for our sins and through the shedding of his blood we are set free to become a child of God.

However, there seems to be a real problem for a child of God to grasp the fact that his physical healing is provided also in the atonement. Just as Christ suffered for our sins we see here that "with his stripes we are healed". In Him is not only salvation but provision is also made for our entire being which includes the physical needs of our bodies. How often do we see the need of healing for the Lord's children.

Really, we might say that healing is the children's bread. This truth is brought out by Jesus when he spoke to the Canaanite woman whose daughter was grievously vexed with a devil. Here was a combination of a physical and a spiritual problem. Satan had really taken hold of the daughter and this affected her physical wellbeing likewise. In other words, she was unable to do as a normal child would do. When the Canaanite woman came for healing, Jesus said, "It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs."

Well that certainly would be a hard saying for one who was seeking healing, wouldn't it? From the words of Jesus