

Why We Pray For Healing

1. We pray for healing based on the *sacrifice* Jesus made on the cross for us.
Isaiah 53:5: “He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.”

1 Peter 2:24: “He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree [that is, the Cross], so that we might die to sins and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.”
2. We pray for healing because we have *faith* in God’s ability to overcome all things:
James 5:14-15: “Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; The Lord will raise him up. If he has sinned he will be forgiven.”
3. We pray for healing because of the *authority* given us by Jesus to do so:
Luke 9:1-2 “And he called the twelve together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal.”
4. We pray for healing based on the *promises* God gave us in His Word.
John 14:12-14: “I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing and greater works than these because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.”
5. We pray for healing based on the *love* of Jesus.
Matthew 14:14: “When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.
6. We pray for healing because of the *power* of the Holy Spirit given to us.
Romans 15:18-19a: “I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done—by the power of signs and miracles, through the power of the Spirit.”
7. We pray for healing based on the *example* Jesus set for us.
Luke 4:40: “When the sun was setting, the people brought to Jesus all who had various kinds of sickness, and laying his hands on each one, he healed them.”