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Expect to receive

Acts 3:2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; 3Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. ⁴And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said. Look on us. 5And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

SIWAS WALKING to my gate in BWI airport to catch my flight, suddenly I heard the voice of the Holy Spirit in my spirit, 'My people are just going through the motions of Christianity but have no great expectations and this is why there are no manifestations in their lives.' Too many believers are experiencing frustration in their lives because of a lack of manifestation of the supernatural in their lives. So many have gone for years without experiencing a breakthrough or even a miracle. We say we believe in the power of the Holy Spirit and we even sing that the God we serve is a miracle-working God but, few are living in this reality. Even though we say we are continuationist, we are living and tasting life as a cessationist.

The man who was sitting at the gate called Beautiful when he heard Peter and John's words, he was expecting to receive something of them. (Acts 3:5)

My question to you is, What are you expecting to receive today?

What are you expecting to receive this year? What are you expecting to receive in your finances and business this year? The gate call Beautiful opened to the man who was expecting to receive something. Life's Beautiful gates will open to you when you

go from being a believer only, to becoming a receiver. Expect to receive something good today!

BELIEVER-RECEIVER

Say it with me, 'I am a believer and I am a receiver.' I want you to position yourself as a master-receiver this year. My job is to stir you up to becoming a receiver.

When you gave your life to Jesus and became born again, you believed and received him as your Savior. Now engaging the same principle, I want you to believe and receive him as your healer, your provider and your miracle-worker.

You cannot receive until you put yourself in the expecting mode!



When a woman is pregnant we say she is expecting, meaning after nine months there will be a delivery and she will receive what she was expecting. If there is no delivery in your life, it indicates a lack of expectancy.

PAUL'S EXPECTATION

When Paul wrote his Philippians' epistle, he did so from jail. In the natural there was nothing for him to be joyful about, but being a man of faith and expectation look what he wrote in the midst of abject negativity,

Philippians 1:19 For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, ²⁰According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed.

Paul was expecting to get out of jail. It was not because of the mercy of the Roman Authorities, for they had none. They had locked him up and thrown away the keys. Their purpose was to stop the Gospel and stop Paul. But none of their plans worked. Paul said, 'For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, according to my earnest expectation...' He expected things to turn around for his good because of prayer, which is the demand on the supply of the Spirit, and according to his earnest expectation.

Prayer operates on the principle of demand and supply. No demand means no supply. In the same way, no prayer demand means no supply of the Spirit.

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Now I want to deal with the phrase earnest expectation. Paul had earnest expectation in the midst of a death assignment. I want to give you a threefold understanding of the word expectation. It is the Greek word apokaradokia and it is a compound of three words apo meaning away from, away with the idea or intent of ignoring, kara meaning head and dokia meaning outstretching. The combined meaning is the outstretching from the head or the stretching forth of the head and ignoring everything else. This word apokaradokia was a word picture depicting three powerful images and lessons for us.

OLYMPIC RUNNER

Apokaradokia is the picture of an Olympic runner coming to the end of the race. The competition is fierce coming to the finishing line. Who will win the race? The one who kept the pace, went the distance with outstretched head. Paul was saying, I will not be left behind in defeat for I have kept the pace, gone the distance and I did not do this for me to lose at the finishing line. Apokaradokia also means turning away from what is lesser, to lay hold of the greater.



SPONGE-ABSORPTION

The second meaning and word picture of apokaradokia is abstraction absorption. "By abstraction. attention turned from other objects, suggesting abstraction and absorption." (Lightfoot); "This abstraction - from anything else that might engage the attention - is also absorbed in the expected object 'till the fulfillment is realized" (H. Alford).



The picture is of a sponge that is soaked in water and has absorbed the water and it is now heavy. If you squeeze it, because it is now full, water will come out. In essence Paul was abstracting himself from anything negative that would engage his mind towards failure and totally immersing and absorbing himself in the idea of complete deliverance from jail. Paul was so focused on ONE THING that all else faded away. He was so loaded with the Word that when pressure was placed upon him, all that came out was what his spirit-sponge had absorbed.

HORSE RACE BLINDERS

The third picture of apokaradokia is of the blinders also known as blinkers that are put on racehorses. Why does a horse wear blinkers? To keep it from being distracted from what is going on to the right and left, not to be distracted by the many noises, and



to keep his eyes only forwards and on the winning post. Paul would not allow himself to be distracted by the noise of the navsavers and Roman Authorities. He had his blinders on to keep focused on getting out of jail. He had high expectations which resulted in great manifestations.

ARE YOU THE SAME WAY?

The name of the game is results. You can no longer afford to just go through the motions of Christianity without any expectations.

Raise your expectations and you will raise your manifestations. Raise your expectations and life's beautiful gates will open to you. Expect exploits!





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Healing in the atonement

IN CHRISTENDOM WHEN IT comes to the doctrine of divine healing, there are three main beliefs which have been established as doctrines and denominational beliefs.

One erroneous belief which is prevalent in most evangelical churches states that healing is no longer for today but passed away with the apostles. Theologically this is known as *Cessationism* and while this argument sounds intellectual, scholarly and very erudite, a simple perusing of the Bible will quickly debunk this doctrine. For the

most part cessationism is simply intellectual unbelief. Miracles and healings cannot be passed away as that would negate prayer, not to mention 1 Corinthians 12:9-10, James 5:14 and Mark 11:23-24 to name but a few verses.

The second erroneous doctrine that sadly has invaded many so-called Pentecostal and Spirit-filled churches says that healing is a special grace for some but not for all and is determined by the sovereignty of God. Theologically this is known as *Calvinism*.

While we believe God *is* sovereign, meaning *all powerful*, it is unscriptural to say a sickness or an accident is due to the sovereignty of God when Jesus already paid the price for our sins and sicknesses. This belief positions God as a respecter of persons who heals some but not all, rather than a God of principles and His Word.

Using 'sovereignty' as unpredictability is no reflection of the true character of God. Reading the Scriptures we can safely conclude that God and His Word are unchangeable. While we believe in the sovereignty of God as the Divine Sovereign and Omnipotent God, we do not believe that the Scripture teaches that God picks and chooses some people to be healed and

others not. That is completely against the nature of God whose name is Jehovah Rapha. For your information, Calvinists are our brothers in Christ just as the Cessationists, and they have other fundamentals of the faith right except for healing, miracles and the operation of the gifts of the Spirit.

The third belief states that healing is included in the finished atoning work of Jesus Christ on the Cross. Theologically this is known as *Healing in the atonement*.

This is what the Word says and this is what we believe. We emphatically believe healing from sickness and disease is included in the atonement made by Jesus on the cross. The same Cross that paid the penalty for sins also paid the penalty for sicknesses. Genesis prophesied it and Exodus, Leviticus and Numbers gave us the types and shadows of it. Isaiah also prophesied it and Matthew, Peter and Paul acknowledge it.

Once you grasp the fact that healing is in the atonement, you will no longer have any doubt whether God wants to heal you or not, just like you do not have any doubt whether it is God's will to save any sinner.



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HERE IS AN IMPORTANT FACT YOU MUST UNDERSTAND BY THE **TERM 'ATONEMENT'**

The atonement is a reference to the substitutionary sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary's Cross, paying the price for our sins, satisfying heavenly justice, legally shutting the mouth of the accuser-satan and enabling or empowering us to be partakers of the divine nature. The Scriptures make it clear that the same Cross that took away our sins, took away our sicknesses. Healing is the birthright of every believer. It is your inheritance. You should expect divine healing!

Exodus 15:26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee,

which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.

Why do we believe that healing is in the atonement? Because Isaiah's Messianic prophecy tells us so,

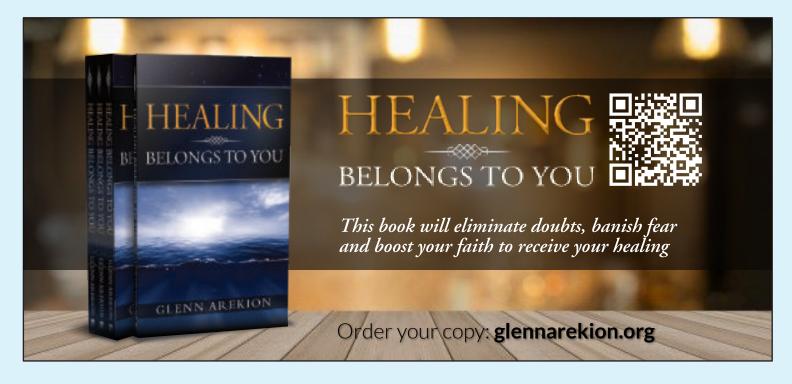
Laiah 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5But 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

This is a messianic prophecy of the work of Jesus on the Cross as the suffering servant. His stripes paid the price for your sins and sicknesses, hence by his stripes we are healed. If we are not preaching healing then we are not preaching the full Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 8:16-17 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

Matthew believed that Jesus fulfilled the Isaiah's Messianic Prophecy. You will also find that both Paul and Peter believed in healing in the atonement through the Passover.

Today I want to encourage you to gain a greater understanding of healing as your inheritance. You must be fully established in the fact that healing is in the atonement. Here is a book that will eliminate the doubts and answer your questions about healing.





MINISTRY CAN GO only as far as the partners it has. Along with faith and prayer, the third leg of the tripod of successful ministry is *partnership*. A successful ministry is built upon the quality of the Word, the altar of Prayer and the power of financial Partnership. Both the apostle Paul and Jesus had faithful partners in their ministry. These two giants did not just say, 'I'm doing it all alone and by myself.' NO! They had partners!

Philippians 4:15 Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. ¹⁶For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity. 17Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.

The Philippian church was one of Paul's greatest partners in the Gospel. Partnership in the ministry is not a new thing but it is as old as the ministry of Jesus.

Luke 8:1 And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him, ²And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils, ³And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

The ministry of Jesus and Paul had the desired impact upon the earth because they

had partners. Both Jesus and Paul had faithful, financial and prayerful partners in their ministries. Jesus had business men as his partners in the form of the two sons of Zebedee and Peter who had a fishing enterprise. Matthew was also a tax collector. He also had women who received their miracles and deliverance to be financial partners with him.

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The purpose of partners in ministry is to enable and empower the minister to go beyond the local shore into other cities and nations to preach the Gospel.



WHO TO PARTNER WITH:

- 1) Those who are going into cities and nations preaching the Gospel.
- 2) Those who have ministered deliverance and impacted people's lives with the Word, healing and deliverances.
- 3) Those who have you in their hearts and not just want your money.
- 4) Those who are defending the Gospel and contending for the faith.
- 5) Those who desires fruit unto your account.

The importance of Partnership cannot be understated. I need you as my Partner in the ministry!



Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

Every soul that was won by Paul went into the Philippian's account because they were partakers of his grace. Every sick body that was healed and every deliverance that occurred in the ministry of Paul was also attributed to the Philippian church for they were partakers of his grace. You can share in the reward for this work:

Philippians 1:7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace.

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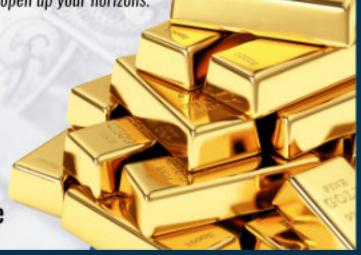
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