A Brief Look at the Question

Does the Bible Show that Our Lord Jesus Healed <u>All</u> that Came to Him? In Order to Answer the Bigger, More Presently Relevant Question

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I have not found any instance in scripture of a person coming to Jesus to be healed and not receiving the answer to their request. *Everyone* that came to Him was healed, and *many* that were *brought* to Him were as well.

Jesus often healed people in close proximity to Him by the power (dunamis) that proceeded out of Him. At His final commissioning of His disciples prior to His ascention into Heaven, He declared that all authority (exousia) in Heaven and on Earth had been given to Him. (Matthew 28:18) He gave His disciples *both* power (dunamis), *and* authority (exousia) over all devils and to cure diseases. (Luke 9:1) Now, I'm not picky, either way they get healed is fine with me. But the question might be asked, Is there a difference between healing by power (tangible force) and healing by authority? I will not attempt to answer that question here. I only think it relavent to mention, as some have confused the two. But the bible does not fail to distinguish between authority (that is by virtue of its nature to be submitted to or obeyed) and power (that by virtue of its nature affects that and those it comes in contact with).

I know that if I knew I had the same kind and level of power emanating out of me that Jesus did, not only would I have faith for others to be healed by that same power, but I bet they would have faith to be healed by it also. Just a thought...

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 lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them."

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 12:14-16

¶Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him. But when Jesus knew *it*, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all; and charged them that they should not make him known"

Matthew 15:30-31

"And great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them: Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel."

Matthew 21:14

"And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them."

But what about the passage that says He healed many, and not all?

Mark 1:32-34 MANY not all

"And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils. And all the city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him."

Note: However, it does not say "he healed many" of "those that came to Him (of their own accord)" but of those that were "brought unto him"

Mark 1:40-42

"And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth *his* hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean. And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed."

Mark 6:56

"And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched him were made whole."

Luke 4:40-41

"Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them. And devils also came out of many..."

Luke 6:17-19 [These verses immediately precede preaching]

"And he came down with them [his disciples], and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judæa and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases; and they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed *them* all."

Note: Healing was a <u>huge</u> part of Jesus' ministry!

Luke 8:43-48 Jesus healed by power going out of Him; this power He could perceive, and people accessed it by faith, by touching Him (Him includes His garment).

"And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanched. And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, Who touched me? And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace."

Luke 19:1-2

"...he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan; and great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there."

Acts 28:8-9 The healing ministry of Jesus continued through His apostles

"And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him. So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed"

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