

## DOING WHAT JESUS DID

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Learning to Pray Effectively For Healing, Part 4

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**MAIN IDEA:** Jesus followed the Father's initiative, but how did that work in practice? How did the Father lead him to heal the sick? How did his disciples learn how to do it?

1. **A disciple is an APPRENTICE of Jesus, connecting to him, learning from him, doing what he does. He has called each of us to follow him as his apprentice.**

"The *disciple* is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher." **Luke 6:40** (John 13:16-17; Matthew 10:25)

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing..." **John 14:12** **Q: Are you an apprentice of Jesus?**

2. **Jesus TRAINED his disciples to do what he did, the way he did it.**

*They were with him as he healed, taught, drove out demons. That was their training.* **Matthew 9:18–19**

**His purpose was to train them and send them out.** Luke 9:1-2, 6; Mat. 10:1, 7-8

**The disciples (apprentices) did it the way he modeled for them.**

"**Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.**" At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. **John 5:8-9** (Mt. 9:5-6; Mk. 2:9-11)

"I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, **rise up and walk!**" **Acts 3:6** ESV

**Other disciples (not the 12) healed the sick as well!** The 72 (Luke 10:9, 17–20); Stephen (Acts 6:8); Philip (Acts 8:6–8 8:13); Ananias (Acts 9:17-18); Paul (Acts 13:9-11); Barnabas (Acts 14:3)

**Disciples knew they'd rec'd something powerful.** (Lk. 9:54; Acts 3:6)

3. **We can count on God leading us in SIMILAR WAYS as he led Jesus and his disciples. *How did they heal the sick?***

**Touch and declare.** Mt. 8:3; Mk. 1:40-42; Luke 5:12-13; 13:12-13

**Willingness on Jesus' part.** Matthew 8:27; 8:2-3

**Touched her hand.** Matthew 8:15

**Drove out demonic bondage with a word.** Matthew 8:16; 32

**Rebuked wind and waves.** Matthew 8:26

**Commands/calls people to rise in healing.** Mt. 9:6; Lk. 5:24-25; Acts 9:34

**He recognized healing faith.** Matthew 9:22

**Edited the context, took person by hand, raised her up.** Matthew 9:25; Mk. 7:33; Acts 9:40

**Took person by hand, raised her up.** Mark 1:31

**Touch the condition itself, declare.** Matthew 9:29-30

**Healed the demonized.** Matthew 12:22; Luke 8:33

**Limited by unbelief.** Matthew 13:58; Mark 6:5–6

**When people were brought to him, healing came.** Matt. 14:35-36

**Declare with faith of the other.** Mt. 15:28; Mk. 7:28-30; Lk. 7:7-10

**Rebuked demons, healed.** Matthew 17:18; Luke 9:42

**Had compassion, touched condition.** Mt. 20:32-34; Mk. 1:40-42

**Moved with compassion, commanded dead to rise.** Luke 7:13-14

**Rebukes/quiets, commands demons out.** Mark 1:25-26; 9:25-27; Luke 4:35-36; 4:41

**Discerned the spirit/intent of people's hearts.** Mark 2:8

**Calls a faith action in response.** Mark 3:5; Luke 6:10; 17:14, 19

**People touched him and were healed.** Mark 3:10; 5:27-29; 6:56; Luke 6:18-19; Acts 5:15-16; 19:11-12

**He commands the dead to rise.** Mark 5:40-42; John 11:5-6, 43

**Lays on top of dead person, raises them.** Acts 20:10; 2 Kgs 4:34-35

**Put fingers in ears, spit & touched tongue, declared "be opened".** Mark 7:33-35

**Spit on blind eyes, laid hands on him, asked results, repeats!** Mark 8:22-26

**Spit on ground, made mud, put in eyes, called "go wash".** Jn 9:6-7

**Asks questions about the condition.** Mark 9:21

**He calls for faith.** Mark 9:23-24

**Asked, recognized faith, declared healing.** Mark 10:51-52; Luke 18:41-43; Acts 14:8-10

**Unsolicited ask, call to rise and walk.** John 5:6, 8-9

**Rebuked a fever and it left.** Luke 4:39

**Laid hand on each person.** Luke 4:40; Acts 9:17; 28:8

**Empowered by the Spirit.** Luke 4:14; 5:17

**He drove out demons** (not exorcized). Luke 11:14 (Mt. 10:1, 8; 12:28; Mk. 7:26; Lk. 13:32)

**Had words of knowledge that created receptivity-opened doors.** Luke 19:5-6; 5:4-7; John 1:47-50; 4:17-18, 29; 21:6; Acts 8:29-30; 10:4-6, 19-23

**Word of knowledge & discernment of spirits deployed, declaration.** Acts 5:3-4; 13:9-11