

## Questions and Answers on Spiritual Healing

*The following links lead to questions and answers related to healing that are posted on the Goldsmith Global website. They can be helpful in answering questions that may arise during our study program on spiritual healing.*

Q: When one refuses to accept the testimony of the outer senses as true and has not yet become aware of an inner vision, how is it then possible to progress by standing fast? (2-7-26)

Q: Since the healer must not think about the patient, why or how is the patient benefited, and not somebody else? (4-1-23)

Q: How does the patient benefit from the practitioner's treatment? What is the principle of the practitioner's technique? (1-17-26)

Q: If evil is impersonal, how can any barrier to healing be in the person? (1-3-26)

Q: All of us with radios and television sets can't help hearing Oral Roberts. Are those actually instantaneous healings? (10-4-25)

Q: How does one attain the healing consciousness? (1-18-25)

Q: Now I am confused. Last night, you said faith has nothing to do with healing. Yet in Luke 8:48, Jesus said, "Daughter, your faith has made you well," so forth and so on. (8-19-23)

Q: In the light of last night's class work, healing work sounds very simple. It sounds like it, but it isn't. Yet cases seem to take so long to clear up, even when the one asking for help is a truth student and cooperative. Why is there so much conditioning? (8-6-22)

Q: "Why is it that I have been studying this, that, or the other metaphysical truth for years—two, five, ten, twenty—and achieved so little result?" Or, "I have had healings, but now they either do not come quickly or do not come at all." Or, "Why is it that I must always go to a practitioner for my help, and I'm not able to do my own work or do the work for my family?" (2-15-20)

Q: Why is the so-called spiritual healing only a partial healing, and why sometimes is it never a complete healing? Also, why is it that a person about to undergo surgery asks for help and receives a miraculous healing, although not one that precludes the necessity for surgery? Why is it that the patient undergoing surgery is kept entirely free of infection or after-effect and makes a more rapid recovery than would normally be the case, and yet, if God has anything to do with that much of the healing, why did not God make the surgery unnecessary? (1-5-19)

Q: My mail [Joel's mail] always abounds in questions, and the most frequent question is, "Why? Why do I not make more rapid progress? Why do I not receive healing? Why do I not find companionship or home or supply?" (8-4-18)

Q: What is it that brings us under the government of God, under the protection of God, under the healing influence of God? What is it that maintains us under the healing influence of God? (4-21-18)

Q: There seems to be a contradiction in the two following statements: "The healer alone must accept responsibility for healing" and "There are those who are so engulfed in material sense that they will resist healing." (11-19-16)

Q: If man is God-manifested as a creation of health and wholeness, and if sickness is a secondary creation of the human mind, and hence error and illusion, why is it that a practitioner should ever fail to heal even so-called incurable cases? (12-20-25)

Q: Does the attainment of that "click," or awareness, make one a healer? Is that feeling within us God-realization? (12-6-25)

Q: Will you please repeat the nature of specific treatment work, specific treatment? (11-15-25)

Q: In The Master Speaks, you say this truth expressing itself as my consciousness becomes your consciousness and the consciousness of those who turn to you. Would this not, in a sense, seem to indicate a sort of thought transference? (11-1-25)

Q: If a realization of God by one person can heal another, why does not this realization reach out and help all people in the world? (9-6-25)

Q: Why must a problem be met immediately to be effective? And why, if treatment is given later, will the treatment be ineffective? (7-19-25)

Q: Do you do away with treatment entirely? (3-1-25)

Q: Is it possible to heal anyone without their knowing it and without them asking for help? (11-2-24)

Q: When faced with a problem and seeking divine guidance, alternative answers—each apparently reasonable—may come. How does one know which is the real? (7-20-24)

Q: In John 15:7, it is said, "If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." And again, "Whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, He may give it to you." In the light of these, why is it wrong to ask a blessing for a specific person by naming him in treatment? (11-4-23)

Q: In the past, we have been using affirmations and denials. Now, in The Infinite Way, it is the realization of the Presence. Since we have been warned not to mix these two systems, and it takes time to develop spiritual consciousness, what system should be used in the interim? (5-20-23)

Q: If, when treating a patient, the patient passes over, is that our lack of demonstration or is that the Father's will? (1-15-22)

Q: I am very much ashamed to keep calling you about a condition, which continues to manifest. Is that bad? (11-20-21)

Q: How do we specifically annul the belief of heredity? (6-20-20)

Q: "Where does error come from since God is all in all?" (12-20-19)

Q: Is fear the basis of all disease, particularly in the case of inflammation and fever? (10-19-19)

Q: Would you please clarify these statements from recent monthly letters? In the March Letter (1962) —"Not a single thing in you is responsible for any of your ills. By seeking within yourself or within your patient for the cause of the trouble, you are helping to perpetuate it." (10-5-19)

Q: Why do truth students still come under claims of illness now and then and have to work out of them? (9-7-19)

Q: The most frequently asked question in the world is: How is it, if there is a God, that there can be so much sin, disease, death, lack, and limitation, and wars – evil – on earth? How is it, if there is a God, that these horrors can take place on earth? (6-17-17)

Q: Mr. Goldsmith, if you had a case of anemia, would you concentrate your meditation on the idea that there's no life in it? (5-20-17)

Q: Please explain illusion. (3-18-17)