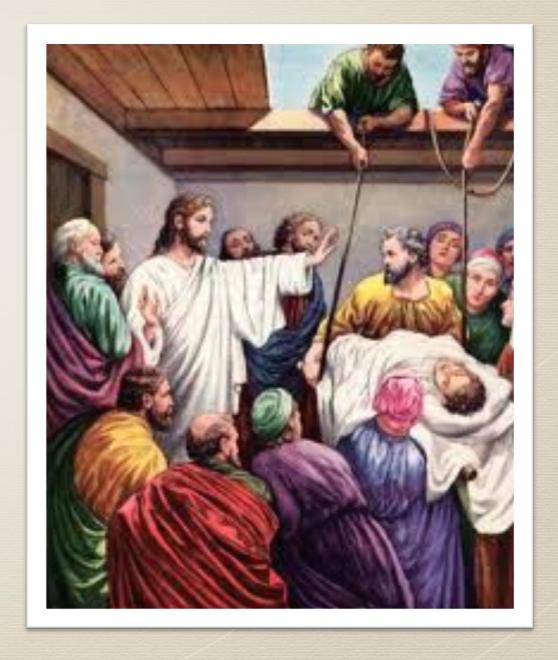


The Lord Christ the Healer

## The Lord Christ came to offer complete healing

\* "Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them." (Lk 5:17)



### Sicknesses: Pride

\* "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone." (Mat 23:23)



\* "Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." (1 Cor 11:1)

## Sicknesses: Pretentiousness

- \* "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness." (Mat 23:27)
- \* "But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them, "Why are you reasoning in your hearts?" (Lk 15:22)



#### Sicknesses: Value

- \* "But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut up the kingdom of heaven against men; for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in." (Matt 23:13)
- \* "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance."

  (Lk15:7)



# How does the Lord Christ accomplish my healing?

- \* Four friends
- \* The Church
  - \* Bishops
  - \* Priests
  - \* Deacons
  - \* Congregation



## What can I offer to the sick?

- \* Healing?
- \* Transportation to the Healer
- \* "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him."

  (Acts 10:38)



#### Friends or Foes

#### \* Friends

\* "Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with his bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus." (Lk 5:18-19)



#### \* Foes

\* "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" (Lk 5:21)

# The Lord Christ is the Remedy

- \* Reveals their thoughts
- \* His authority to forgive sins
  - \* "Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins." (Lk 5:23-24)



### Process of Healing

- \* Not customary
- \* Two-step process:
  - \* Removal of sin
  - \* To good deeds & serve
    - \* "For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven."

      (Matt 5:20)

