### Part I "Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad"

Psa 53:1-3

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Psa 53:2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God.

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This Psalm speaks about the process that all men have to experience over spiritual sickness before redemption comes.

The word upon H5921 means "above, over, upon, or against" and the word Mahalath, H4257 means "sickness", and sounds like the word 'malade' which in French means sick.

Physically there have been and are thousands of types of sickness and disease along with variations of those conditions that seem so endless that God has allowed to exist (Rom 1:20, Exo 15:26).

Christ healed <u>all manner of sickness</u> and <u>all manner of disease</u> among the people (<u>Mat\_4:23</u>) as a shadow of the spiritual healing, the greater works the elect will do for all of humanity who must experience all the diseases of Egypt (<u>Mat\_4:4</u>, <u>1Jn\_2:16</u>) until we are healed of all (<u>Joh\_14:12</u>, <u>1Co\_15:22</u>).

We're shown that it is <u>sickness and disease</u> in <u>Mat\_4:23</u>, two conditions that witness (2) to the fact that all these conditions have their root in the spiritual realm that God has dominion over (<u>Eph\_1:11</u>, <u>Isa\_45:7</u>, <u>Eph\_6:12</u> again what world? <u>IJn\_2:16</u>).

#### **Sickness**

#### G3554

νόσος

nosos

nos'-os

Of uncertain affinity; a *malady* (rarely figurative of moral *disability*): - disease, infirmity, sickness.

### <u>Disease</u>

#### G3119

μαλακία

malakia

mal-ak-ee'-ah

From G3120; softness, that is, enervation (debility): - disease.

Each one of Christ's physical healings have a spiritual lesson for us to learn from. For example only Christ was given to heal the blind and give hearing to the deaf as a shadow of how the elect will be the channel that God uses to bring complete spiritual healing to the world in the perception of truth and the spiritual hearing of the word of God (Rev 1:3, Rev 22:2, Psa 1:3).

These verses connect the idea of last week's study of how the elect must go through a process of being judged in this age like the woman (church) who was dragged to Christ (<u>Joh 8:3-11</u>) in order to "go and sin no more". We are planted by the riverside where our healing is taking place in the Lord and His body as a result of those living waters that are being used to cleanse us of all the diseases of Egypt

#### (Eph\_5:26).

In Christ's presence we find great mercy and power to overcome all the powers and principalities that had us in bondage not so long ago (1Jn 3:20, Eph 2:1-3).

The following list is not exhaustive of Christ's healings but does demonstrate the power that Christ had over all spirits which is what sickness is, and also shows us how many of those miracles had to do with taking away physical blindness.

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Leper in Galilee	Mat_8:1-4	Mar_1:40-45	<u>Luk_5:12-15</u>	
Paralytic (palsy) at Capernaum	<u>Mat_9:2-8</u>	Mar_2:3-12	<u>Luk 5:17-26</u>	
Man with a withered hand in Galilee possibly Capernaum	<u>Mat 12:10-13</u>	<u>Mar 3:1-7</u>	<u>Luk 6:6-11</u>	
Women with issue of blood (hemorrhaging) healed at Capernaum during first preaching tour through Galilee	<u>Mat 9:20-22</u>	Mar 5:24-34	<u>Luk 8:42-48</u>	
Two blind men at Capernaum (on the northern shore of the Sea of Galilee)	Mat_9:27-31			
Man born blind who was outside the Temple at Jerusalem				<u>Joh_9:1-12</u> <u>Joh_9:35-37</u>
Ten lepers between Samaria and Galilee			<u>Luk_17:11-19</u>	
Samaritan leper			<u>Luk_17:15-19</u>	
Blind Man Approaching Jericho			Luk 18:35-43	
Blind Bartimeaus at Jericho		Mar_10:46-52		
Two Blind Men Departing Jericho	Mat 20:29-34			

We can't deny when we are sick unless we are in denial, and this state of mind is a reminder to us for the need to confess our faults and see our need to continue to <u>examine ourselves</u> whether we're in the faith or not (Joh 9:41, Luk 5:31).

We go to our physical doctors for physical checkups and must continue to do this daily in our walk with our great physician ( $\underline{Psa}$  103:3,  $\underline{Mar}$  2:17). The world is not being drawn into this process of examination, only the elect at this time on whom judgement is upon. That judgement is connected to the much tribulation that we must endure in order to inherit eternal life ( $\underline{1Pe}$  4:17,  $\underline{Act}$  14:22,  $\underline{Joh}$  5:4).

#### our first verse:

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We start off as a fool as per God's design, marred in the hand of the Potter (<u>Jer 18:4</u>), with no ability to believe in God or retain His knowledge (<u>Mar 4:11</u>), even as God sends prophets and servants throughout the ages to witness to our blindness and bloodguiltiness within our hearts prior to receiving the gift of the holy spirit, the new heart of Christ's mind that loves our enemies and resists not evil (<u>Act 26:28</u>, <u>Luk 11:51</u>, <u>Mat 5:44</u>, <u>Mat 5:39</u>).

There is "none that doeth good" and Christ sums this thought up with this verse (<u>Luk 18:19</u>).

#### any comments on this first verse?

## <u>Psa 53:2</u> God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God.

God already knows what the condition of the earth is which is connected to the heavens and there is none righteous no not one (Rom\_3:10). Just like Christ knew where Adam and Eve were in the garden when they tried to hide from Him (Gen\_3:9), in like manner God is telling us that he knows the condition of our hearts even thou it is written in such a way that you may think that God was hopeful that maybe there would be someone that "did understand".

This verse reminds me of these scriptures (<u>Gen 18:24-32</u>), the process of grace and faith <u>Act 14:22</u>) which reveal the process of His righteousness being given and how God is righteous to always deliver his own children from the powers of darkness through a process (<u>Luk 12:32</u>).

#### any comments on this verse?

# Psa 53:3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Again we see "they are altogether become filthy; *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one." confirming (Rom\_3:10) and that only those who have God's spirit within them can truly be accepted of the Father (Eph\_1:6).

This miracle of being accepted in Christ is what (<u>Gen\_18:24-32</u>) is speaking to, as well as showing us that we are only accepted in the beloved through a process of chastening and scourging (*grace and faith shadowed in multiples of 5. 50-45-40-30-20-10=195*).

Every son must endure this process of having the kingdom preached to all nations within unto the end (Mat 24:13-14) which is the process needed for the mind of Christ to come to maturity and to be able to judge the rest of the world and angels who will follow (1Co 6:3).

any comments on this verse?