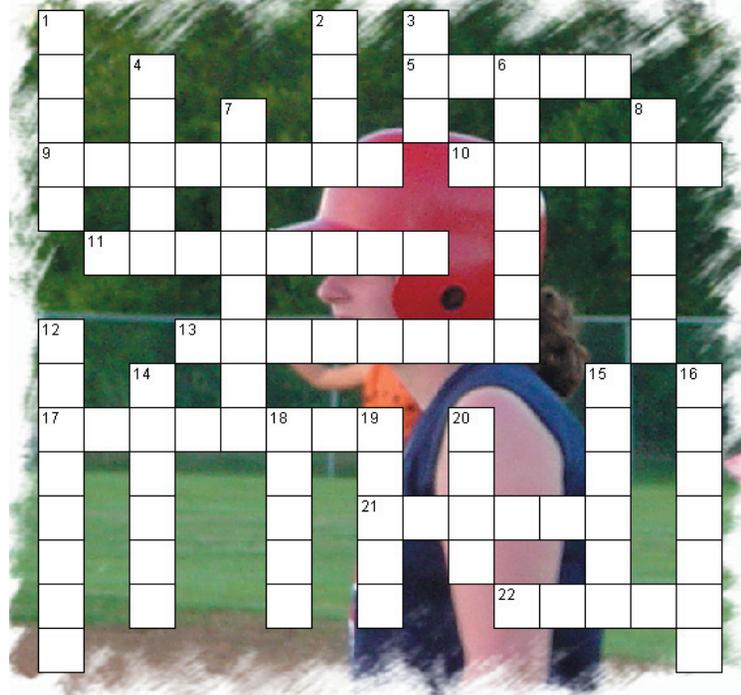


Crossword Puzzle

The Ministry of the Lord Jesus

- Lesson Seven -

The Ministry of Healing (2) - Peter's Mother in Law

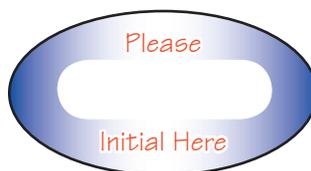


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| 5. ...improper emotions such as ____. | 1. ...sick with a high ____. |
| 9. ...improper _____ such as anger. | 2. ...turn to Him, ____ to Him... |
| 10. Peter's _____-in-law was sick... | 3. ...mother-in-_____. |
| 11. ..._____ and sickness. | 4. She then ____ and served Him. |
| 13. ..._____ and growing in a proper way. | 6. ...learning and ____ in the proper... |
| 17. The _____ of the Lord Jesus | 7. ...weakness and _____. |
| 21. ...such a person is sick and _____ to serve Him. | 8. ...full of anger and _____... |
| 22. His mother-in-law was sick. | 12. ...full of compassion and _____... |
| | 14. Peter's brother. |
| | 15. - a _____ touch with the Lord Jesus. |
| | 16. Her fever was also a _____ showing... |
| | 18. - a direct _____ with the Lord Jesus. |
| | 19. As _____ ones, we mostly serve... |
| | 20. ...is so able to come to _____ us. |

Parent's Initials:



I. Overview.

In the ministry of the Lord Jesus we see several stories where the Lord heals persons who have various sicknesses. The stories show us things about the Lord's healing ministry and how it applies to us. The Lord is full of compassion and sympathy toward us concerning our weakness, sickness, and problems.



The Lord Jesus cares so much for us. He is always ready to heal us of our condition.

Early in the Lord's ministry, He came to Peter and Andrew's

house. Peter's mother-in-law was lying in bed sick with a high fever. The Lord came to her and touched her hand and the fever left her. She then arose and served Him. Like the other cases we have discussed, this case is a picture. A person with a fever can be considered as a picture of person with a hot temper or other problems in their emotions such as anger. In the eyes of the Lord, such a person is sick and unable to serve Him. A direct touch from the Lord is needed to heal such a one.

II. Memory Verse.

"And He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served Him."

(Matt. 8:15)

III. Lesson.

The ministry of the Lord Jesus is wonderful. He is able to bring us salvation in so many ways. We are currently considering the Lord's healing ministry. The Lord Jesus is able to heal us from so many problems.



When we receive the Lord's healing we will rise up to serve Him.

In this lesson we see that Peter's mother-in-law was sick with a fever. Because of her fever, she was in bed and was unable to serve the Lord, even though He came to the house where she was. But the Lord Jesus had compassion on her and sympathized with her weakness and sickness. All the Lord had to do to heal her was to come to her and touch her hand. As soon as the Lord Jesus touched her hand the fever left her. Immediately she rose up and served Him.

We all Need the Lord's Healing Touch

Actually we are all like Peter's mother-in-law. Her fever was also a picture showing us that we can all be filled with a hot temper or other improper emotions such as anger. When we are filled with these unbalanced emotions, we cannot serve the Lord. We are like Peter's mother-in-law, sick in bed and unable to serve the Lord.

What we need is the same thing that Peter's mother-in-law needed – a direct touch with the Lord Jesus. The Lord Jesus has compassion on us and is concerned that we are not well. When our hearts are full of anger and temper, the Lord Jesus is ready to come to touch us. We need to turn to Him, to open to Him and to receive His touch. The most practical way for us to do this is to pray and to read the Bible. Often, the Lord uses our parents to “touch” us and save us from our temper.

Healed and Serving the Lord

After Peter's mother-in-law was healed, she rose up and served the Lord Jesus. This shows us what happens when we receive the Lord's healing ministry. The Lord heals us in order that we might be able to serve Him. There are many ways to serve Him. As young ones, we mostly serve the Lord by living a proper and balanced human life in subjection to our parents, and by learning and growing in the proper way.

The more we are touched by the Lord in His healing ministry, the more we are able to serve Him. Thank the Lord that He cares so much about us and is so able to come to heal us.

— QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION —

1. How did the Lord Jesus heal Peter's mother-in-law?

2. What did Peter's mother-in-law do after the Lord healed her?

3. What was pictured by Peter's mother-in-law's fever?

4. How can we serve the Lord as young ones?

