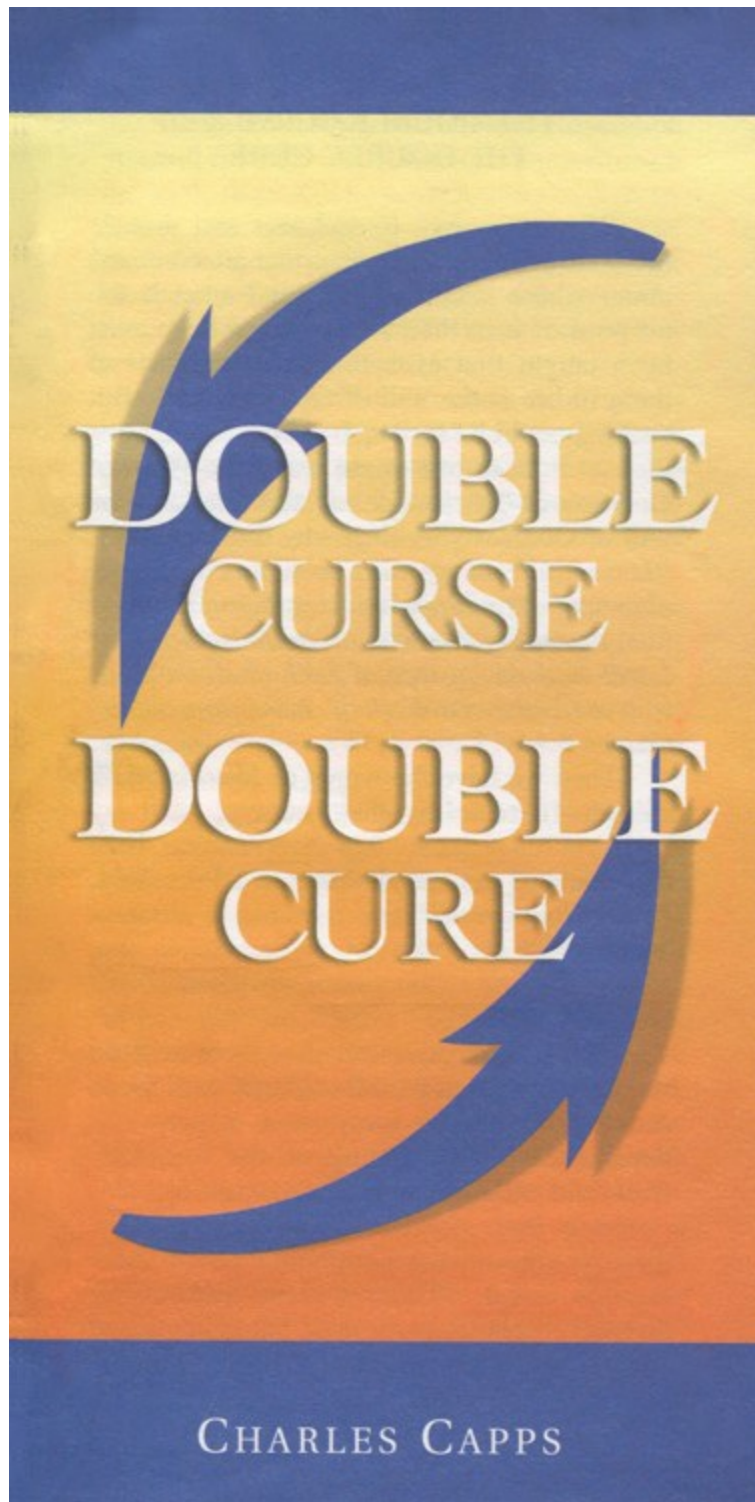


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The Double Curse & the

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When it comes to sickness and disease there are so many Christians that are confused about where it comes from and what is the purpose of it in their lives. Some have even been taught that everything that happens to them in life is the will of God for them. But nothing could be further from the truth.

Let's look at it from this angle using the Word of God as our benchmark. If sickness was the will of God for you, then why did James say,

Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up... (James

5:14-15).

Then we have the words of Jesus in Mark chapter 16 revealing that believers shall lay hands on the sick and they

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shall recover. Then the words of the apostle Peter in I Peter 2: 24,

*Who His own self bare our
sins in His own body on the tree,
that we, being dead to sins, should
live unto righteousness: by whose
stripes ye were healed.*

The scriptures reveal that there was no sickness nor disease on this planet until Satan showed up in the form of a serpent and deceived Eve into eating of the forbidden fruit and Adam went along with it. It's obvious that sickness and disease came through sin and the

temptation to sin came through Satan.

There was no sickness or disease on planet earth until Satan came and sin entered into the earth.

Then if you study the book of Revelation you will find that when Satan is removed from the earth, there will be no sickness nor disease. But in the meantime, God made abundant provision even under the Old Covenant for healing and deliverance from sickness. As long as Israel obeyed the Covenant, there was no sickness among them.

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Then under the New Covenant the scriptures reveal that by the stripes and bruises that were placed upon Jesus' back, "we were healed." We need to

stress the fact that our salvation and our healing were accomplished *at the very same time*. Sin and sickness are the double curse!

When Adam sinned, he received the curse of spiritual death. Spiritual death cut off his life force from God, and physical death began. Adam's sin also brought about the curse of sickness.

Sickness is an attack to weaken and kill the body.

The Word of God reveals that your healing was bought and paid for by the Lord Jesus Christ at the very same time that your salvation was. I want you to grasp this great truth. If you need healing in your body, please don't read this half-heartedly. If a doctor was talking to you and said, "Now, I have something that will make you totally

well,” you would give your full attention to what that doctor said. That doctor cannot reverse the curse—but the Word of God can. So pay attention with everything you have to grasp these

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truths.

*He is despised and rejected of
men; a man of sorrows, and
acquainted with grief: and we hid
as it were our faces from Him; He
was despised, and we esteemed
Him not (Isaiah 53: 3).*

Isaiah was prophesying about Jesus.

*“He is despised and rejected of men, a
man of sorrows.”* If you look into the Hebrew, you will find that this was mistranslated into modern English.

When we think of “*sorrow*” today, we

think of someone who is upset over a friend or a loved one, or is sorrowful about something. The word “sorrow” is actually the word “*pain*.” Why was Jesus a man of pain? Because He bore our pain. He took it upon Himself. “*And acquainted with grief*.” The word “*grief*” is another unfortunate translation. It does not mean grief as we know it. It means, “*He was acquainted with sickness and disease*.” Why was Jesus acquainted with sickness and disease? It was not because He was sickly, but because He took our sickness and disease upon Himself.

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Surely He hath borne our
griefs, and carried our sorrows:

*yet we did esteem Him stricken,
smitten of God, and afflicted
(Isaiah 53: 4).*

What did Jesus bear? The Word
says He bore our pain! Is there any
question in your mind that the Word of
God is an established fact? It is forever
established in the heavens, and it is the
basis for our Christian belief. Right
here, on the printed page, the Word of
God says, “*He hath borne our sickness
and diseases.*”

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The Word “borne” means, “to lift
up, bear away, and remove to a
distance.” Just as the scapegoat went
into the wilderness, carrying sin, never
to be seen again, so Jesus has “carried
away, borne away, our sickness and our
disease. He has carried them away.”

You may be thinking: “yes. but I’m still sick?”

Is the Word of God true or not? If it is true—and I believe with all my heart it is true: “*Jesus carried away our*

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sicknesses and our diseases, and our
pain.” He removed them from us. “Yet
we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of
God, and afflicted. But He was
wounded for our transgressions....”

What are “transgressions”? Sins, right? “*He was wounded for our transgressions, or sins. He was bruised for our iniquities, or sins.*” Do you believe that part of the Scripture? If we went to some churches, they would definitely believe that Scripture, and even preach on it every Sunday of the

year, but many would not preach *the rest of it*.

Yes, He bore our transgressions and our iniquities, but read the rest of the verse: “*the chastisement of our peace was upon Him: and with His stripes we are healed.*” Some will quote that as, “With His stripes some are healed.”

Some occasionally will be healed.

“*Some have been healed.*” No! This is a settled, established fact: “*With His stripes we are (present tense) healed.*”

As far as God is concerned it is a finished work.

Yet it pleased the Lord to

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bruise Him; He hath put Him to
grief: when thou shall make His
soul an offering for sin, He shall

see His seed, He shall prolong His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. He shall see the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied: by His knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for He shall bear their iniquities (Isaiah 53: 10-11).

The word "bear" is the same word that is brought out in verse four and serves as a theme for the rest of this chapter: *"He hath borne our griefs (or pain)."* Jesus bore our sins, our iniquities. At the very same time, He also bore our sicknesses, our diseases, and our pain. Throughout the Word of God there is no separation of the two in the Atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ. When Jesus bore our sins to make it

possible for us to be saved and be a new creature in Christ Jesus, He also bore in His body our sicknesses and diseases so we might be whole, well, and healed. At the same moment that He was bruised for our sins. He took the stripes on His back for our healing.

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Sick Christians

Some say, “But you know there are a lot of sick Christians”! It is obvious there are many sick in the Body of Christ. I cannot give you only one reason for the number of sick Christians, but I can tell you why many in the Body of Christ are sick. I believe Paul gave us the answer in I Corinthians 11:

For he that eateth and

*drinketh unworthily, eateth and
drinketh damnation to himself, not
discerning the Lord's body. For
this cause many are weak and
sickly among you, and many sleep
(I Corinthians 11:29-30).*

Paul said it was from “*not
discerning the Lord's body.*” And he
said, “*For this cause many are weak
and sickly among you.*” What does that
mean? He did not say it was from not
discerning the Lord's blood. They were
discerning that the *blood* washed away
their sins, but they were not discerning
the fact that His *body* was broken for us,
so we might be healed.

We have emphasized salvation in

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the blood of Jesus, but how many times,

in comparison, have we emphasized that Jesus bore our sicknesses and diseases at the very same time? How often have we been taught that salvation of the soul and physical healing of the body happened *at the same time*? How many times have we heard that? Not enough, obviously, and many have not heard it once.

If it is true that Jesus bore our sicknesses at the same time that He bore our sins, why are many sitting in church born again, but sick? It's because we have not had enough repetition of these Scriptures to establish confidence in our hearts. We need as much confidence (faith) in healing as we have in salvation. When we arrive at that point, we will see people who come to be born again instantly healed. They will be

healed just as they are saved, because they will be taught, “Come and accept Jesus as your savior and you will be healed.” We do not expect that now, but we should.

Look at the argument, “If Jesus bore away sickness and disease at Calvary, why aren’t all Christians healed?” Let’s

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turn it around: “If Jesus bore away sin and iniquity at Calvary, why are people still unsaved?” Why is everyone not born again? It is because they do not receive and accept salvation. Isn’t that true? All it takes to receive forgiveness of your sins is to accept and receive what Jesus did on your behalf. Isn’t that true?

Yet all Christians don’t accept Jesus

as their Healer when they are born again. As a matter of fact, many Christians *never* accept the fact that the stripes placed on Jesus' back were for *their* healing. This is the same basic reason people die and go to hell: They refuse to believe what Jesus did on the cross, or they don't understand what Jesus suffered to bring salvation. To keep Christians from being sick they must have a better understanding of how to make a demand on God's provision for healing (I Pet. 2: 24, Isa. 53: 5-6). You will never hear me say, "Well, the reason you didn't receive your healing is because you don't have enough faith." If you believe God's Word you will have faith. If you don't have enough faith, it's because of a lack

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of knowledge of the Word coupled with
the fact that God's Word doesn't abide
in you. Jesus said,

*If you abide in Me, and My
words abide in you, ask what you
will and it shall be done unto you
(John 15: 7).*

When the Word of God abides in
your heart in abundance; that is faith.

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