

Word Faith Movement - "Name it and Claim it"

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Speak your own miracles
Speak your own prosperity
It's God's will that everyone be healed.
God wants all Christians to be rich and trouble free.
Sickness is of the Devil
Poverty is of the devil
Failure to speak creative, healing, prosperous words is lack of faith.
Is Any Of This Stuff true?

Joh 16:33 I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Act 14:22 strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

2Co 7:4 I am acting with great boldness toward you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with comfort. In all our affliction, I am overflowing with joy.

1Th 3:4 For when we were with you, we kept telling you beforehand that we were to suffer affliction, just as it has come to pass, and just as you know.

Rev 7:14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

The Unhealed of the Bible?

Jn. 5: 2-13 Did Jesus Heal everyone?

2Tim. 4: 20 Was Trophimus Healed?

Phil 2: 25-27,30 Was Epaphroditus healed?

2Kings 20: 1-15 Was Hezekiah Healed?

Acts 9: 36-37 Was Tabitha healed?

Jn. 11: 3-4,6 Was Lazarus healed?

Gen 48: 1 Was Jacob healed?

This is only a small sampling of those who were not healed in the Bible. You will find many more if you look.

Healing in the Atonement?

Isa 53:5 But he *was* wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Mat 8:16-17 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.

1Pe 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.

There is no question that healing is mentioned in the atonement of Jesus Christ. This cannot be denied. Every Christian and all Christian Theologians believe this without exception. Yes there is indeed healing in the atonement. It is just as real a healing that is secured in the atonement, as it is a real cleansing and complete deliverance from sin. Sin is fully expiated through the cross, and perfect healing is completely secured through the cross. Both these things are absolutely true. Do not listen to anyone who tells you differently.

Sins are forgiven and infirmities are eradicated. This is the whole purpose for the death of Christ. **But it is not completed in the lives of believers in this life.** This is where all the false teachings come from. Christ's work was not temporal it was eternal.

1). Christ secured complete deliverance from sin. But we are still sinners. Why?

Because the full application of the deliverance does not occur till we get to heaven. I am not now, what He died to make me! Temporalization of the atonement is false doctrine. His death has not yet actually freed us from sin. If we were actually freed from sin, then we would be sinless. But we are not, and we cannot be sinless in this life.

1Jn 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Pro 20:9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

Ecc 7:20 For *there is* not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

2). Christ died to heal all of our diseases. But we are still sick. And we will all die. Why?

Because the effects of the atonement are not complete till we get to heaven. I am not now, what He died to make me! The complete and perfect healing secured by the atonement of Christ will not occur to our bodies in this life, nor can it occur in this life, because our bodies are corrupt. The healing in the atonement is the complete and perfect healing of our physical bodies at the resurrection. Physical healings which do occur in this life are but tastes of things to come. Everyone who has ever been healed also later died. The healings that occur on earth are never perfect or complete. But the healing in the atonement is perfect and complete. It is the resurrection from the dead, not anything temporal in this life.

Our hope, which comes through the atonement is not concerned with this life.

1Co 15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

1Co 15:21-22 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1Co 15:26 The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.

We die because of sin. Things associated with dying and death (this includes all varieties of sickness) are not eliminated till death is destroyed and all things are subdued.

Php 3:21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Isa 25:8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces.

Isa 26:19 Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as* the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

1Co 15:53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.

1Co 15:54-57 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where *is* thy sting? O grave, where *is* thy victory? The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law. But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our tears are not wiped away in this life. Sickness causes tears. Sickness causes pain. Sickness causes sorrow. Sickness causes death. But none of these things are eliminated in this life. That's why it is called "eternal redemption" (Heb. 9: 12). We should never temporalize the eternal work of Christ. To do so is false doctrine.

Isa 25:8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

Isa 35:10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Rev 7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Rev 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Paul states the proper position of the Christian with reference to his physical body. We must never place the emphasis on physical healing, because the

body will always be corrupt in this life. We wait for “the redemption of our body”.

Rom 8:21-23 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the redemption of our body.

Php 3:20-21 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

1Jn 3:2-3 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Healer? Heal Thyself!

The doctrine of Present Healing in the Atonement does not work for the healers who preach it. When they get sick, they go to doctors like the rest of us. It does not work...they are hypocrites teaching lies. It does not work for their followers either. This is a perfect example of “the Blind leading the Blind”.

Mat 15:14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.

Here they are. The blind leaders leading their blind followers.
(Alphabetically arranged)

A.A.Allen- God’s Miracle Valley, Arizona - On the sign at the gate: “*The Blind to See. The Deaf to Hear. The Lame To Walk. SIGNS. GIFTS. WONDERS.*” Allen claimed thousands of healings. But He died from Cirrhosis of the Liver in 1970. The atonement did not heal him.

Jamie Buckingham- Died in 1992 at the age of 59 Died of Cancer, while under medical treatment including Chemo Therapy. The atonement did not heal him.

William Branham- Died in 1965 at age 56. If you study anything about the healing movement you are going to come across the name of William Branham. He would be the father of the post World War II healing revival. He was a man reputed to have been instrumental in some of the most spectacular healings that the Pentecostals have ever seen. Died after suffering for 6 days from injuries sustained in a car accident. The atonement did not heal him.

Charles Capps - His wife got cancer and received chemo and radiation treatments. The atonement did not heal his wife, or remove the cancer from her body.

Jack Coe - Died 1956 from polio. He was considered the greatest tent healer/ revivalist of the 1950's. Taught that seeking medical attention was the same as receiving the mark of the beast. He took the mark of the beast and entered the hospital for treatment, but died Dec. 17, 1956. The atonement did not heal him.

John Alexander Dowie - One of the first modern healers to teach the doctrine of "healing in the atonement". Influential on many subsequent healers. Claimed to be the return of Elijah and the forerunner of Christ's second coming. Was charged with practicing polygamy, he suffered long bouts of mental illness, and suffered many years with crippling paralysis becoming weaker and weaker until he died in 1907. The atonement did not heal him, and he was the virtual inventor of that doctrine.

Dr. Hobart Freeman - A total of over 90 people in his church died from medically treatable illnesses and diseases. Antibiotics alone would have saved over 40 of them. After a 15 year old girl whose parents belong to Faith Assembly, died of a medically treatable malady, the parents were convicted of negligent homicide and sentenced to ten years in prison. Freeman himself was charged with aiding and inducing reckless homicide in the case. **Shortly afterward, on December 8, 1984, Freeman himself died, interestingly enough of pneumonia and heart failure complicated by a severely ulcerated leg.** Hobart Freeman's theology did not allow him to acknowledge that Polio had left one of his legs disfigured and lame. Quote, he said, "I have my healing." And that is all he would say when anyone pointed out the rather conspicuous inconsistency between his physical disabilities and his theology.

Keith Grayton - Died from complications of Aids. The atonement did not heal him.

Kenneth Hagin - Grand daddy of the word of faith movement. Sister died from Cancer. His wife was operated on. He wore glasses. Died in 2003 from cardiac arrest while in the hospital. The atonement did not work for Hagin or his family.

Buddy Harrison - Kenneth E. Hagin's son in law. Died of cancer in 1999 after receiving a special healing anointing by Hagin. The atonement did not heal him.

Ruth Ward Heflin - suffered for over six months with breast cancer. Received a mastectomy in April 2000 Died in September 2000. The atonement did not heal her.

Benny Hinn - Claims to have a Superior anointing. Calls himself a “little Messiah“, and a “little god”. May 26, 1983 plane crash six people injured and admitted to hospital. Hinn healed none of them. He reported no miracles. He was treated for being in a state of shock. He and his wife were also admitted to Florida Hospital in Orlando and stayed three days. No miracles were reported in the hospital either.

Wife Suzanne Hinn. Has been on psychiatric medications since 1996. The atonement does not work for Benny Hinn, why should we believe it will work for his followers?

E.W. Kenyon - He is the father of the word of faith movement. Taught that Christians always get what they speak. He got a divorce. Could he not speak to prevent it? Taught that it is always God’s will to heal. Died while in a coma brought on by a malignant brain tumor. He died from a disease. The atonement did not heal him.

Kathryn Kuhlman - One of the most famous healers in American History. Died in 1976 from a disease which she battled for 20 years. She died of heart disease in Ann Arbor Michigan. The atonement did not heal Kathryn Kuhlman. Why should we believe that it will heal us?

John G. Lake - Founder of the healing rooms movement. Documented over 100,000 healings in first five years alone. Died of a stroke after four days of hospitalization and round the clock prayer by his followers. The Atonement did not heal John G. Lake. It doesn’t heal us either.

James Gordon Lindsay - A disciple of John Alexander Dowie, John G. Lake, and Charles Parham. Later became William Branham’s manager. And published “The Voice of Healing” magazine and later “The Voice of Healing” association of Divine healers, which included Oral Roberts as one of its members. Died of a severe heart condition. The atonement did not heal him.

Aimee Semple McPherson - Multiple marriages and divorces. Was addicted to barbiturates. Died in an overdose in 1944. The atonement did not heal her drug addiction.

Joyce Meyer - Runs one of the largest faith and healing ministries in the world. Annual budget over \$850,000,000. She is honest on this point, and admits that like almost all the so called faith healers, she sought medical treatment for her illness. Her cancer was not healed by the atonement, or by speaking “positive affirmations, it was healed by doctors and chemo. She is honest enough to admit this. One of the few honest admissions by the so-called miraculous healers.

Daisy Osborn - Wife of healing evangelist T.L.Osborn, died of cancer in 1995. T. L.'s doctrine of healing in the atonement did not heal his wife.

John Osteen - Father of Joel Osteen and founder of "Lakewood" mega-church in Houston Tx. Wife Dodie suffered from liver cancer. He died in 1999 after having kidney dialysis in 1998, A heart catheterization in August of the same year, and later a pacemaker was installed. He said that God gave him a revelation that he would be preaching at the age of 90. He and all 20,000 members of his church agreed for his healing. Prayed for it. Spoke it. But it never came. He did not die at 90 he died at 70. There was no healing in the atonement for John Osteen.

Rod Parsley - Current popular word of faith healer and evangelist. His son Austin has Asperger's syndrome (a form of autism). Parsley himself recently had back surgery at the Cleveland Clinic. Parsley has a large deaf section in his church, with a signer for the deaf. Why hasn't Parsley spoken health into these situations? Why hasn't the atonement taken care of his son, his back and the deaf people in his church? There is no present healing in the atonement, that's why.

Bishop Earl Paulk - Surrounded by numerous sex scandals, adulterous affairs and child molestation lawsuits, one which was settled for \$400,000, in 2003. Died of cancer in 2009 after seeking healing at the hands of Rod Parsley. He was very sick with cancer for a several years. The atonement did not heal him.

Fredrick K. Price - Pastor of the Faithdome in Los Angeles. A 10,000 seat mega church. Wife Dr. Betty Price underwent months of Chemo-therapy. Medical procedures which should have been unnecessary if there is healing in the atonement. If there is healing in the atonement, why go to doctors? How come Apostle Fredrick did not instruct his wife to "name it and claim it"? He didn't do that, because he knows that it don't work! The atonement was not designed for any kind of present healings. Even "anointed" teachers with "anointed" teachings cannot make the atonement do something that it was never designed to do.

Oral Roberts - Oct. 6: 1992 Roberts asked Paul Crouch to lay hands on him because of pains in His chest. He said it felt like lightning coming from Crouch's hands. He said he was instantly healed. He claimed total healing while on the air. 4 hours later he was rushed to Hoag Presbyterian Memorial Hospital in Newport Beach. His heart attack was near fatal. The healing evangelist now has a pacemaker. The Atonement did not heal him.

R.W. Schambach - Quadruple Bypass surgery. Performed by human

doctors! Apparently the atonement works for everybody else. But it don't work for Mr. Schambach. He's the guy who said "you don't have any problems at all. All you need is faith in God". Well having a heart surgeon might be a good idea also. Right Mr. Schambach? The atonement did not heal him.

Ruth Carter Stapleton- Jimmy Carters Healing Evangelist sister. Diagnosed with cancer, but refused medical treatment because of her belief in faith healing. Died from the disease and was not healed at all. The atonement did not heal her.

Mack Timberlake - In April 1997, Bishop Mack Timberlake, Jr., was diagnosed with fourth stage throat cancer and was only given 4 weeks to live. But he rose up and declared, "I'll live and not die, in Jesus' name!" Guess what? He's dead! The atonement did not heal him.

David Watson - Died despite repeated prayers by his healing buddy John Wimber. Wimber said of him: "There is no place in Watsons theology for seeing death as positive, as going to meet the Lord, or for godly dying, in which Christians look forward in peace to being with Christ and their departed loved ones. Death is a defeat." One thing is certain: The atonement did not heal him.

John Wimber - Leader in what is known as "The signs & Wonders Movement". Wrote book called "Power Healing". Suffered throughout his latter years with obesity, Angina, Heart disease, and when he was finally diagnosed with cancer he underwent Chemo-therapy, and died from a cancerous hemorrhage. No healing in the atonement. No Power-healing. Only Chemo!

This has been a small sampling of only the more prominent healers in the "Name it and Claim it" - "Word of Faith" movement. Their doctrines are blatant and obvious falsehoods. What they teach does not jive with any known realities. They false prophets, false teachers, false healers plain and simple.

Has anybody ever been healed through their ministries? Yes, undoubtedly. But not because of their teachings. Because of the Lord who is the great physician, who has power over both soul and body of all men. He heals, according to His Sovereign plan, and not according to somebody speaking a word of faith or commanding God to work miracles. God does only, and always, exactly what He wants to do. Period.

Quotes from John MacArthur:

"I hasten to add, you believe that in the atonement you receive physical healing. We all do. It's not now that we receive that. It's at our glorification. And, what Jesus was demonstrating in His miracle power was that He not only had power over the souls of

men, He had power over the bodies of men. And, that He is the one who can not only give eternal life to the soul, but He can give eternal life to the body, as demonstrated by His power over all that deforms and debilitates and destroys the physical.”

So, would you agree with the claims of some in the faith healing movement that when Jesus died on the cross, it was for our sickness in this life?

“That’s obviously not true. That’s obviously not true because all those people who believe that die. All of them. Unless they live to the rapture, they all die. So, if there was [present] physical healing in the atonement, then it was an incomplete atonement. And, they’ve got a problem. If you tell me there was [present] physical healing in the atonement, and that the atonement was designed to heal my diseases, I’m having a hard time with that one because I’m not, I’m not getting the healing. And, I’m getting older. And, I’m going to die. Now, if that’s how it is with the promise of my physical healing, where is my hope for the promise of my spiritual healing?”

“This isn’t it. I am not now what He died to make me. Is that right? Either spiritually or physically. And, we all stumble through life and, as we heard in the testimonies, battling with the flesh, and battling with illness, and disease, and all those kinds of things. And the atonement was designed for our ultimate glory, and our souls’ ultimate glorification as well as a glorified body like the resurrection body of Jesus Christ. In that sense, our ultimate, final healing is in the atonement, and Jesus was giving it, you know, widespread demonstration of the fact that He had the power over that realm just as He had power over the spiritual realm and the souls of men.”

What About Prosperity On Demand?

It is not God’s will for any Christian to be poor.

You are poor because you have not planted a seed of faith.

The Lord is my shepherd and I shall not want!

You have not reaped God’s blessings, because you have not sown in faith.

You have not received, because you have not given.

You have not received, because you do not speak a “positive confession”.

Words create whatever you want.

“My bank account runneth over”.

Give and you shall get.

Those who follow God and give generously to his ministries can have anything, and everything, they want.

Are any of these things true?

Eph 5:5 You may be sure that no one who is immoral, indecent, **or greedy (for greed is a form of idolatry)** will ever receive a share in the Kingdom of Christ and of God. (Good News Bible)

Eph 5:5 You know very well that no person who is involved in sexual sin, perversion,

or greed (which means worshiping wealth) can have any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. (God's Word Translation)

Col 3:5 You must put to death, then, the earthly desires at work in you, such as sexual immorality, indecency, lust, evil passions, **and greed (for greed is a form of idolatry)**. (Good News Bible)

Col 3:5-6 Therefore, put to death whatever is worldly in you: your sexual sin, perversion, passion, lust, **and greed (which is the same thing as worshiping wealth)**. It is because of these sins that God's anger comes on those who refuse to obey him. (God's Word Translation)

1Ti 6:5-11 and constant arguments from people whose minds do not function and who no longer have the truth. **They think that religion is a way to become rich.** Well, **religion does make us very rich, if we are satisfied with what we have.** What did we bring into the world? Nothing! What can we take out of the world? Nothing! So then, **if we have food and clothes, that should be enough for us.** But **those who want to get rich fall into temptation and are caught in the trap of many foolish and harmful desires, which pull them down to ruin and destruction.** **For the love of money is a source of all kinds of evil. Some have been so eager to have it that they have wandered away from the faith and have broken their hearts with many sorrows.** But you, man of God, avoid all these things. Strive for righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. (Good News Bible)

Jas 2:5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, **Hath not God chosen the poor of this world** rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

Isa 14:32 What shall *one* then answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD hath founded Zion, and **the poor of his people shall trust in it.**

Isa 29:19 The meek also shall increase *their* joy in the LORD, **and the poor among men shall rejoice** in the Holy One of Israel.

Zep 3:12 I will also leave in the midst of thee **an afflicted and poor people**, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.

Mat 11:5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, **and the poor have the gospel preached to them.** (Note: Jesus did not tell them to claim their God given right to prosperity, or to become rich by speaking a positive affirmation and believing. Instead He preached the gospel to them).

Luk 6:20-21(a) And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed *be ye* poor: for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed *are ye* that hunger now: for ye shall be filled.

Luk 16:22 And it came to pass, that **the beggar died, and was carried by the angels** into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;

1Co 1:26-29 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the

flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, *yea*, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence.

Jas 1:11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: **so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.**

Mat 19:24 And again I say unto you, **It is easier for a camel** to go through the eye of a needle, **than for a rich man** to enter into the kingdom of God.

Mar 10:24-25 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, **how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!** It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

Deu 15:11 **For the poor shall never cease out of the land:** therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

Mar 14:7 **You will always have poor people with you,** and any time you want to, you can help them. But you will not always have me. (Good News Bible)

Gal 2:10 Only, **they asked us to remember the poor,** the very thing I was eager to do. (ESV)

1Jn 3:17 If we are rich and see others in need, yet close our hearts against them, how can we claim that we love God? (Good News Bible) (The message we should be proclaiming is that the rich should help the poor. Not a message that allows the rich to pat them on the back and say to them, God bless you brother, you can be rich like me if you'll only have faith! That message is disgusting spiritual rot...The vile, hateful and hurtful, gospel of Greed. Such a message is nowhere found in the Bible)

Deu 15:7-11 If there be with thee **a poor man, one of thy brethren,** within any of thy gates in thy land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thy heart, **nor shut thy hand from thy poor brother;** but thou shalt surely open thy hand unto him, and **shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need in that which he wanteth.** Beware that there be not a base thought in thy heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou give him nought; and he cry unto Jehovah against thee, and it be sin unto thee. **Thou shalt surely give him, and thy heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him;** because that for this thing Jehovah thy God will bless thee in all thy work, and in all that thou puttest thy hand unto. **For the poor will never cease out of the land:** therefore I command thee, saying, **Thou shalt surely open thy hand unto thy brother, to thy needy, and to thy poor, in thy land.**

I recently heard one greedy “name it and claim it” preacher actually say that *“Jesus was a very wealthy man. So wealthy in fact, that he had a personal treasurer to carry all His money. There was so much money in the bag, that Judas siphoned it off consistently for three years. And Jesus did not know how much money was ever in the bag, or how much he was actually worth. Jesus wore the most expensive, tailor made “designer robes“. One piece robes that cost so much people gambled for the one he was wearing at the foot of the cross. Nobody knows what happened to the rest of the designer robes that were in his closet. These things are clear proof that Jesus was very rich man.”*

I could not believe my ears when I heard this rubbish. People actually believe these greed motivated charlatans. Listen to the truth about Jesus. Do not be deceived.

Mat 8:20 Jesus answered him, "Foxes have holes, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lie down and rest." (Good News Bible)

Luk 8:3 Joanna, whose husband Chuza was an officer in Herod's court; and Susanna, and many other women **who used their own resources to help Jesus and his disciples.** (Good News Bible)

2Co 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, **yet for your sakes he became poor,** that ye **through his poverty** might be rich.

Mat 17:27 Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, **thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.**

Isa 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: **he hath no form nor comeliness;** and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him. (This does not sound like designer robes to me).

Mat 26:11 For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always.

Mat 25:35-36 For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. (Oh yes, these are the words of a rich man in designer robes?)

*The prosperity gospel teaches people **to use God** to get what they want.

*The Bible teaches that **God uses men** to help the poor, by giving to them.

*The prosperity gospel teaches that the Holy Spirit is a tool to get what you

want.

***The Bible teaches that the Holy Spirit is God and He glorifies Christ not man.**

***The only Disciple ever concerned with wealth was Judas, and he was a child of hell not a child of God.**

***The prosperity gospel teaches that when you make a positive affirmation of faith and speak wealth into existence God is required to listen to the favors that you demand of Him, and if you ask in faith, without wavering, He is obligated to do what you say!**

***The Bible teaches that God is required to listen to no man. And no man can make any demands upon God. God is the Lord! ...not man, not man's faith, not man's affirmations, not man's beliefs, or anything else.**

Mat 6:24 No one can serve two masters... **You cannot serve God and money.**

2Ti 3:1-5 But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, **lovers of money**, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. **Avoid such people.** (ESV)