

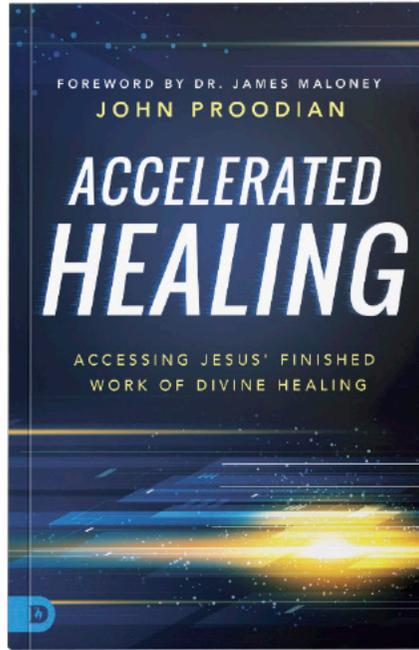
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## PRAISE FOR ACCELERATED HEALING

Author John Proodian does what the best teachers do—instruct from their personal experience. He weaves together testimony, insights from God’s word, and well-timed humor, to walk us through his personal growth as a minister of healing. By sharing his own story—the good, the bad, and the ugly—John offers readers a priceless gift. Like a true father, he invites us to stand on his shoulders, to learn from his mistakes, and to take part in his victories. Each revelation in *Accelerated Healing* has been fought for, but is offered freely. They will ignite a hunger for all that is possible. Read this book as a gift from God. In doing so, I believe you’ll become encouraged, equipped, and inspired.

—**Bill Johnson** Bethel Church, Redding, CA Author of  
God Is Good

“John Proodian’s *Accelerated Healing* is an engaging read. I believe it will be a great resource to the Body of Christ to further increase understanding of the healing ministry. This book is full of many remarkable testimonies of God’s miraculous power, and is written in a way that is conversational and easy to understand. John is a former student of my school and has faithfully served Dr. James Maloney for several years as his personal assistant. He carries not only an anointing for healing, but a passion for

teaching others to operate in healing as well. I am excited about this book and believe it will build your faith as you read the stories of miracles and absorb the revelation that is shared.”

—**Randy Clark,**  
DMin. Founder, Global Awakening

We are living in a new day. It is no longer about the man of God, but the God of man. As such, Jesus is releasing healers throughout the earth so that His Church displays a victorious expression of power. John Proodian’s book, *Accelerating Healing*, is a valuable resource for this day and hour. I personally know John, I know his values, and I relate with his own personal story. John’s Christ-centric approach restores the simplicity of the Gospel—his focus is not just on principles, but rather the Prince: Jesus Christ. For too long, the church has justified powerlessness by bringing the Word of God down to the level of her experience. What I value most about John is his refusal to do this. Instead, John’s message will help pull your experience up to the fullness of the Word of God, so Jesus gets His full reward.

—**Chris Gore**  
Author of *Walking in Supernatural Healing Power*

I’ve known John and Janet for years and walked through life with them and would like to personally attest to the truthfulness of their testimony. I was there as John’s Dad suffered, as Janet battled knee problems and I was there the

day they drew a line in the sand and said no more, enough is enough. This book is a testimony of how two ordinary Christian people decided that they were going all in on Him, His love, and His gifts to broken humanity. This book is a road map for you and me to follow. So “take it fast” as you read this book. Be ready to receive healing and be ready to look for the opportunities that the Holy Spirit will bring across your path to minister healing to others.

—**Brian Fraley**

Executive Director of Our Father’s Project ministries

John is one of the most significant healing ministers that I’ve sat under. He moves in humility and power. I’ve been in his healing meetings where people have come out of wheelchairs, tumors have dissolved, scars have disappeared, and much more. Every time John comes to minister, we see significant miracles. John’s book, *Accelerated Healing*, is one of the best books on healing you will read. If you are looking to either move in the healing gift or needing healing in your body, this book will help you.

—**Paul Martini**

Global Awakening

Director of Events & Associate Evangelist

My Friend Dr. John Proodian has written a must-read for those wanting to minister in a lifestyle of healing. *Accelerated Healing* is a God-inspired book used to break the strongholds of unbelief and equip the saints for the ministry of healing. John’s personal journey of perseverance in

the ministry of healing reveals his humble heart and love for people. I can feel the pleasure and backing of God as I read *Accelerated Healing*. I'm excited for you to not only read this book, but accelerate in representing Jesus to a world that needs healing.

—**Richie Seltzer**

Missionary Evangelist, YWAM  
Founding Pastor of Imagine Church in Calgary, Alberta  
Cofounder of Burning Ones, School of Fire

In every generation, God restores truth by causing the revelation of His Word to meet the manifestation of His power. In those instances, the Church gains momentum and the fame of Jesus is magnified and His dominion is clearly seen. John Proodian is called by God to remind the world that “with God all things are possible to him that believes.” *Accelerated Healing* will strengthen your faith, ignite your expectancy, dismiss your doubts, release you from religion and stir you to walk like Jesus in the earth. I highly recommend!

—**Michael A. Dalton**

YES Ministries International

# THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALING

We have a tendency in the Charismatic circles to overlook the absolutely life-changing principle of receiving a healing from God. It's not that we're unappreciative or unthankful, but I often think we don't fully understand the ramifications of how a healing—no matter how small—forever alters the life of the person who received that healing. We may see someone's big toe get healed, and we say, "Praise God! Isn't He good? That was neat."

However, the person whose toe was healed has now had an encounter—a brush with almighty God, who has touched them in a supernatural and personal way. It goes far beyond just the toe being healed—as "neat" as that is—but rather, that person, and those standing around the person, have just encountered a signpost in their lives that says, "I the Lord, your God, am here, and I care about your physical wellbeing—even your toe!"

We need to have a greater revelation of just how awesome it is when the Lord touches a person physically—our lives should never be the same! Our lives need to be com-

pletely different from that moment forward after the personal demonstration of God's goodness.

All miracles should be life-changing, whether it be a shoulder restored to proper function, or a lame person rising up and walking—it is the same God performing a miracle that, in the natural, could never occur. Every healing should be celebrated, no matter how “small” we think it is. The bottom line, we should thank God that any of us are healed, because no healing is small. It is all a manifestation of God's power over His creation, and that deserves our thanksgiving!

When my wife's knee was healed, we decided to be those kinds of Christians that rejoice and give thanks in everything!

As God's sons and daughters, we should all desire the same thing: to see people saved, healed and delivered. That really should be the primary focus in all our lives: releasing the Kingdom inside us, so that people can enter into that Kingdom—touch that Kingdom for themselves and be transformed.

Healing is my passion—I absolutely love seeing the Lord break into someone's life and restructure something in their body that was wrong. However, as I often say, up until that encounter where my wife's knee was healed, there had been about a thirty-year period where I considered myself “God's least anointed” person.

After my dad died, I ended up being on the healing teams at church thinking, “Please don’t get in my prayer line!” Not out of fear, but because I desperately wanted to see the people healed, but I knew they wouldn’t get healed coming to me. How is that for super faith?

I’d pray for people, they’d die. It was so painful—to pray for the sick and not see anything happen. Such a sad thing. It was my fault, not God’s—His perfect timing would’ve been much earlier than that! I knew that it was me, that the problem was me, but I didn’t know how to fix me.

I hear of people who have healing ministries talk about how, before they had received a fuller revelation of God’s healing grace, that they prayed for people without seeing much results. Some have said it took them ten years, some maybe only six months. I often think facetiously, “Light-weights.” It was almost three decades of frustration before I was finally able to “get” the concept, at least in some way, of how the Lord operates in healing—and His passionate desire to see people healed quickly.

It was my fault, of course, not God’s—His timeframe would’ve been significantly hastened, as this book will try to show. But praise God I’m wasting no more time in presenting the truth to people that He does indeed heal, and He desires to do it now. Not some far distant time in the future. The Lord, in His infinite love and grace, showed me just how insistent and uncompromising He is concerning healing His children speedily.

But before that powerful revelation came, I watched as my dad developed cancer and slowly withered away. Moving from a cane to a walker to a wheelchair, then bedbound where he slipped into a coma, then died. It was about the worst death I could've imagined—someone I loved so much, seeing him suffer. It was such a painful period of my life, and I think a part of me died when he did—a part that needed to die, the part that said “I can do nothing to fix this.” I was living in deception, obviously, confusion and blindness; but it's hard to “see” the goodness of God in those kinds of situations, and it created a wounding that needed to be healed.

It was through God's grace that He brought spiritual giants into my life who knew about how healing was supposed to work: my spiritual father, James Maloney, Randy Clark, Bill Johnson, and many others. People who also had experienced failure in praying for the sick and had “dug it out,” the truth that God was healing people today. They were used by the Lord to resurrect that part of me that died into a newness of life, a passion and a purpose to set my forehead as a flint and say, “I can be used by God to see people healed.” They instilled within me a glimmer of hope right at a time I was considering turning away from it. Not turning away from God, you understand, but that He had a covenantal, burning desire to heal people in this day and age. The power that my soul (mind, will and emotions) had over me was broken; I became renewed in my thinking; and I was able finally to allow my spirit to rise up and reach out to the Spirit to see His power manifested for healing.

That moment when Janet's knee was touched, that was the signpost that forever altered the course of our lives. I remember so distinctly the very first time I got a word of knowledge for someone and they were healed. Think about what that was like. Thirty years of fruitless frustration all washed away in a moment. All the emotional pain draining out of me as physical pain drained out that person's body—we were both touched at that precise moment. I thought to myself, "Finally! God, healing is here!" The ecstasy of seeing God just be who He is, to see His goodness manifested—I was gloriously ruined!

I have learned that "dealing with disappointment" (whatever that entails) does not get rid of disappointment. No matter how hard we try to "get over it," it doesn't work. We were not created to deal with disappointment; we were created for victory! I had tried for years to make healing "work," thinking, This time will be different. But it never was.

Now I am firmly persuaded that the only way to deal with disappointment is to get victory in the area you need. To overcome the disappointment of not receiving healing, one must receive that healing—it proves the authority of Jesus and heals the hurts of previous letdowns. We cannot talk away the problem; the problem must be solved.

Now, since the "testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy" (Revelation 19:10), I want this book to be just that: a testimony of healing, mixed with some of the revelation God has been gracious enough to give to me since that

life-altering encounter. I pray that you will be able to adapt it into your life in order to receive that same “newness of life” I did. To come to a greater understanding that Jesus heals now—His yesterday (the work of the cross) is to be brought into our today, at this kairos moment. It’s exciting! It is the Kingdom of God in expression.

In an effort to help facilitate that Kingdom expression in your life—at least in some small way—this book is a teaching on creative miracles, the gift of faith, and the “Third Pull of the Spirit,” as some theologians have termed the coming move of God. I will only teach what I have learned and experienced personally regarding the gift of faith—nothing speculative or in theory, only things I have seen practiced in my own life.

We all love creative miracles, don’t we? I am convinced that God loves working miraculously even more than we enjoy receiving His miracles. Since I believe that is true, as you read this book, if you need to receive healing in your body, permit the material here to encourage your faith to receive that healing as you read. I expect God will heal you as you read some of the testimonies in this book—I have seen Him work this way many times, which is why I have included these testimonies here. Not to boast in myself, but to encourage your faith to receive a similar touch from the Lord yourself.

# TAKE IT FAST!

I had a significant dream wherein God showed me ministering in front of a group of people in a word of knowledge operation. After letting that flow forth, the Spirit started “highlighting” people in the audience, like lighting them up one after the other. So I began to acknowledge these people, “You are being ‘highlighted’ by God...”

As soon as I said that, it was like the people were in water. Not falling into water, but it’s like they were surrounded by water—kind of difficult to describe. But I said to them, “Test it out,” and as they began to stretch forth their limbs in faith—or whatever area they needed healing in—they spontaneously would be healed. It was happening all over the auditorium, such a powerful manifestation!

But then I looked down at myself and saw that one of my legs was horribly mangled and twisted, and I exclaimed in shock, “Oh, God, I need healing too!” I felt the tangible presence of the healing anointing strike my leg, and I heard these words from the Lord, “Take it fast!”

So I immediately stretched out my leg, and it was made whole. I started rejoicing before the Lord and then I came out of the dream. I asked the Lord, “What did that mean?” (Seemed like a relevant question, huh?)

He said, “I want you train my people to take it fast.” Really, it’s just “take Him fast,” but in the context of receiving healing from Him, He was saying, “Take it fast! My people are receiving healing too slowly. I want you to teach them to receive from Me now.” We need to take it quickly, move forward speedily, press into now. It is the violent that take it by force! (Matthew 11:12)

When we “take it fast,” all we are doing is receiving healing from the Healer, moving to Him as quickly as we can with an expectation that our Father wants to heal us. Again, “take it fast” is really just “take Him fast.” It is God’s very nature to be the Healer, so we are simply taking more of Him.

The Lord was showing me that one of the opposite things of faith is hesitation. We need to be taught not to hesitate in any situation, specifically healing. Proverbs 28:1 tells us that the godly are as “bold as lions.” Hebrews 4:16 admonishes us to “come boldly to the throne of grace.”

A lot of times, well-meaning Christians hesitate when they want to receive from God—either out of a misconception that they’re being “humble and contrite,” or out of a veiled understanding that God is equally available to all His children. He accepts each one of us now just as openly as He accepts Jesus. The only reason you weren’t saved a year earlier is because you kept God waiting. It’s a similar notion to healing. It is there now and always has been in your lifetime. God isn’t waiting to heal you—you’re waiting to receive it. So why not take it fast?

I hear many excuses. You know, it's like we'll have a word of knowledge, say, about an injured thumb—down by the knuckle, perhaps—and the person out there with the hurt thumb hesitates. “Well, it's not that area of my thumb that hurts—it's up by the fingernail! That word must not be for me.” They debate with themselves. “That sounds like my condition, except it's not exactly my condition, so I am not sure that word is for me.” That's hesitation. It is not taking it fast! Make sure you don't talk yourself out of a miracle!

If a word of knowledge goes forth for a specific purpose, that obviously means the presence of God is there for healing—so we should be clamoring to receive it—fast! It's like we want to be 100% sure that God is saying, “Here is healing!” before we act on it. The truth is, it's already 100% and was 100% before you were even born. You were healed by the atonement of the cross some 2,000 years ago. (1 Peter 2:24) We shouldn't need to be convinced God wants us healed—we should be taking our healing by force—now!

The earthly ministry of the Lord confirms this—He healed anyone and everyone who came to Him in some level of faith. Healing was never withheld. Now, this doesn't negate the necessity of getting confirmation from the written Word concerning, say, a dream or a vision, something subjective that's not expressly detailed in the Bible. Of course we need discernment. But when it comes to our covenant rights (and healing is in the New Covenant!), we don't need to debate with ourselves if God wants to heal us.

Any word from the Lord can be applied to us. If God says one person is being healed, all of us can be healed. If the minister says, “There is a person here with a tumor in their stomach.” Well, then He wants to heal you of your heart disease too! He is no respecter of persons. (Acts 10:34; Romans 2:11)

When the presence of the Lord is there to heal, of necessity that means He wants every single person in that place healed. But see, we often hesitate. “Is that for me too? He said stomach tumors. Is God healing heart disease?” The answer is yes—don’t wait another second to take your healing!

A single word of knowledge for an individual person can lead to a corporate breakthrough, raising the level of faith for the entire congregation to receive from the Lord. Even out there in the marketplace, when others witness a timely word of knowledge for one person that brings healing, it can lead to a breakthrough in the public setting. It’s not just for within the four walls of the church!

You know, when my wife’s knee got healed, she took it fast! She leaped up and grabbed it by faith, reached for it with both hands as quickly as she could! She didn’t hesitate one moment!

Keep in mind, that’s not to say there is no progression in healing—a process of recovery—not every healing is a workings of miracles. In the Greek, there are three words used for healing: sozo (Strong’s#4982); therapeuo (Strong’s #2323); iaomai (Strong’s #2390.)

Sozo implies salvation, rescuing, restoration for all three components of a human being: spirit, soul and body. Most of the time this is translated as “save,” but a few times as “heal.”

Therapeuo is used to mean “cure.” This is where we get our word “therapy.” It speaks of gifts of healings (notice they are plural; there are many ways the Lord heals, and these are almost always a process.) The vast majority of times this word is used in the New Testament, it is translated “heal.”

Iaomai is an instant miracle of healing. It means to heal by one way, and one way only, miraculous power. Almost exclusively when this word is used, it’s translated “heal,” and encompasses a release of God’s anointing and authority (especially over the demonic) to perform a miracle of healing. Primarily this is how Jesus operated in His earthly ministry.

It would be wonderful if all healing was iaomai, but we cannot neglect the other forms of healing. Many times God does heal instantly, but specifically here I am speaking to the initial receiving of healing: we need to take it fast! It is our attitude toward healing that must be refashioned. We’re not working to get God to heal us; we’re working to receive it quickly.)

Just like Janet, it was the same thing with the woman with the issue of blood (Matthew 9; Mark 5; Luke 8), and also with blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10). They didn’t hesitate. These are examples of people who jumped at the oppor-

tunity to receive from God. The Bible is full of stories of people laying hold of the Kingdom without hesitating.

I don't see any "waiting around" for healing in the ministry of Jesus in the Gospels. It was 100% all the time, for every person (who came to Him in some level of faith, even imperfect faith), that He wanted them healed, and He wanted them healed now, not later.

It is forceful men and women who lay hold of the Kingdom. It's a scriptural principle: "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force." (Matthew 11:12)

It's not being forceful with God—He is not moved by a sense of aggression from us toward Him, don't misunderstand. When I mention that the woman with the issue of blood was forceful, or Blind Bartimaeus was forceful, I mean it is about being forceful against the things that keep you from God and having an encounter with Him.

The woman forced her way through the culture of her world in order to get to Jesus. She was unclean and should not have been touching anyone; she had many things against her, and many things in her current world system telling her not to do what she did. But she did it anyway and forced her way through all the rules of her time in order to get to Jesus and be made whole. Nothing would stop her!

This is an attitude of resolve we are talking about, and this is having faith so strong you force your way through any hindrances that would keep you from taking what Jesus is offering now.

# PAST TENSE

Most of us know the truth that Jesus already provided (past tense) our healing over 2,000 years ago on the cross. (Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24) It is a done deal. However, many of us struggle with procuring what happened in the past for our present situations. It doesn't change the fact that God's time to heal was before, and we need to step into it now.

The concept of ACCELERATION is the act on our part of bringing God's yesterday into our today. He wanted us healed a long time ago. Israel, when they entered the Promised Land to possess it, was forty years off from God's original timing. We need to "catch up" to what God has already done!

Once you feel God, or if you even think God is doing something, take it fast—and be healed, right now, even as you're reading in this moment. Once the healing has manifested acknowledge what God is doing in your life by praising and thanking Him.

We need to be taught that the split second we feel any connection with the Lord, any download of faith, any amount of anointing, any amount of His presence, cor-

porately or personally—boom!—snatch it fast, grab hold of it quickly and don't let it go for anything in the world. Take Him fast! We need to be like striking lightning when it comes to taking healing from the Lord. Pounce on it like a tiger and shake it with our teeth! Scarf it down like a hungry kid on a cheeseburger. (Did that give a good word picture in your mind?)

We don't need to wait for some time that God wants to heal us. His yesterday needs to be brought into our today. "Now is the day of salvation." (2 Corinthians 6:2) Now now, right now, not later. Salvation, as I'm sure you're aware, is an all-inclusive word that means whole salvation: spirit, soul and body. Do a word study on *sozo* if you don't believe me. We can just as properly substitute the word "healing" in every case of "salvation," the same as putting in "healed" for "saved." They are identical renderings, since the Greek word means total salvation for every facet of our existence.

The purpose of this material is not to convince a disbeliever that Jesus heals today, but as an aside, I'd like to point out that "healing" is just as much for the body and the mind, as for the spirit (the born again experience.) Well, technically, of a truth, our spirit isn't "healed," per se, when we are born again—it is recreated, made alive toward God once again. But when Isaiah 53:4-5 talks about "griefs and sorrows" (literally "sicknesses and pains" in the Hebrew; look them up in a concordance)—the "by His stripes we are healed..." is talking about your earthly body and soul (again, the mind, will and emotions.)

So since this passage of scripture is speaking of the crucifixion of Christ—this is all a past-tense situation, a done deal. God’s time to heal you was yesterday. You need to bring that revelation into your today. Accelerate the speed at which we are receiving from the Lord. That’s the thrust of this book, to show you that the healing you need is yours for the taking already.

There’s a biblical principle to this concept that God has already accomplished something we need to enter into now. For example, the Israelites didn’t enter into the Promised Land until forty years later than what God intended. Their inheritance was supposed to be received at that time, but because of hesitation and unbelief, it hindered God’s now plan four decades. They wandered around in the wilderness when God had planned for them to take possession of the land at that moment.

Your provision of healing isn’t something that is coming to you in the future. It was there before you were. What we need to do is take yesterday’s truth and make it today’s reality. I have been guilty of praying too many wimpy prayers over the years that were rooted in a hesitant attitude. I am sure I cannot be the only one who’s done this—otherwise, everyone would already be healed, and we wouldn’t need books like this.

We need to know healing is here, now; it’s already done. This is an absolute truth, not open for discussion. According to 1 Peter 2:24, you were already healed when Jesus received the stripes upon His back. I think many charismatic

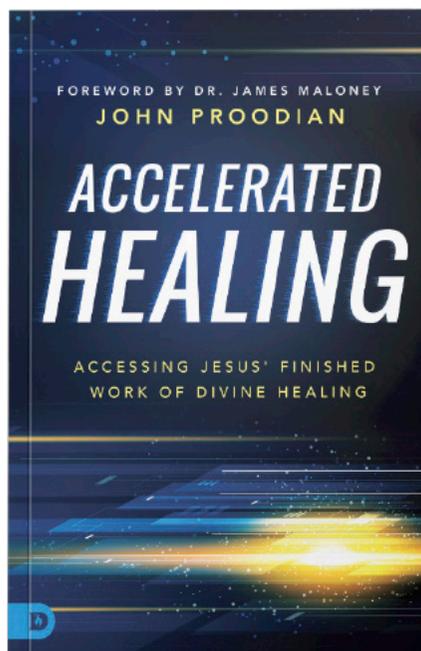
Christians believe this on some level, but clearly it is not quite the reality in their daily lives for those who “struggle” to receive a healing.

Like when you ask your boss, when do you want this? And he or she says, what, “Yesterday.” Right? God is like that. When does He want you to receive your healing? Yesterday. It was already done. He is already so far ahead of you that your healing was procured before the foundation of the world. (Revelation 13:8)

One of the problems that can arise from trying to put healing as a present-tense thing—”We are trying to get this person healed”—is that we can actually pray past the point of healing. When I feel healing virtue go out, I stop praying for the healing to manifest and simply acknowledge that virtue has gone forth. I don’t want to keep praying for that same thing. Otherwise what I’m really saying is, “Maybe it hasn’t really happened,” if I keep praying for healing beyond when it has already occurred. That takes the emphasis off the healing already happening more than 2,000 years ago.

Jesus’ healing anointing is just as strong and valid and operative today as it was when He walked this earth. However, it is our response to that anointing, or rather our lack of dwelling in His glory that can be a hindrance to taking Him fast.

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