## ~PARALYSIS (253)

- Impairment or total loss of muscular power or of sensation in one or more parts of the body. Sometimes called palsy, it results from damage or disorder of the nervous system or from atrophy of muscles, thus either preventing the transmission of nerve impulses or rendering the muscles unable to react to them.
- Paralysis has many names and forms, some of which types can be fatal. Among its causes are disease, as in the case of diphtheritic paralysis, brain lesions, damage to the spinal cord, or pressure from a tumor.
- Paralyzed persons were among those miraculously cured by Jesus Christ.
- And the report about him went out into all Syria, and they brought him all those faring badly, distressed with various diseases and torments, demon-possessed and epileptic and paralyzed persons, and he cured them. (Matthew 4:24)
- A paralyzed man was brought to Jesus, who cured the sufferer after forgiving his sins. Then, at Christ's bidding, the former paralytic picked up his cot and went home.
- And, look! They were bringing him a paralyzed man lying on a bed. On seeing their faith Jesus said to the paralytic; Take courage, child, your sins are forgiven. (Matthew 9:2)
- And, look! Certain of the scribes said to themselves; This fellow is blaspheming. (Matthew 9:3)
- And Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said; Why are you thinking wicked things in your hearts? (Matthew 9:4)
- For instance, which is easier, to say; Your sins are forgiven, or to say; Get up and walk? (Matthew 9:5)
- However, in order for you to know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins, then he said to the paralytic; Get up, pick up your bed, and go to your home. (Matthew 9:6)

- And he got up and went off to his home. (Matthew 9:7)
- At the sight of this the crowds were struck with fear, and they glorified God, who gave such authority to men. (Matthew 9:8)
- And men came bringing him a paralytic carried by four. (Mark 2:3)
- But not being able to bring him right to Jesus on account of the crowd, they removed the roof over where he was, and having dug an opening they lowered the cot on which the paralytic was lying. (Mark 2:4)
- And when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic; Child, your sins are forgiven. (Mark 2:5)
- Now there were some of the scribes there, sitting and reasoning in their hearts. (Mark 2:6)
- Why is this man talking in this manner? He is blaspheming. Who can forgive sins except one, God? (Mark 2:7)
- But Jesus, having discerned immediately by his spirit that they were reasoning that way in themselves, said to them; Why are you reasoning these things in your hearts? (Mark 2:8)
- Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, your sins are forgiven, or to say; Get up and pick up your cot and walk? (Mark 2:9)
- But in order for you men to know that the Son of man has authority to forgive sins upon the earth, he said to the paralytic. (Mark 2:10)
- I say to you, get up, pick up your cot, and go to your home. (Mark 2:11)
- At that he did get up, and immediately picked up his cot and walked out in front of them all, so that they were all simply carried away, and they glorified God, saying; We never saw the like of it. (Mark 2:12)
- And, look! Men carrying on a bed a man who was paralyzed, and they were seeking a way to bring him in and place him before him. (Luke 5:18)

- So, not finding a way to bring him in on account of the crowd, they climbed up to the roof, and through the tiling they let him down with the little bed among those in front of Jesus. (Luke 5:19)
- And when he saw their faith he said; Man, your sins are forgiven you. (Luke 5:20)
- Thereupon the scribes and the Pharisees started to reason, saying; Who is this that is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins except God alone? (Luke 5:21)
- But Jesus, discerning their reasonings, said in answer to them;
  What are you reasoning out in your hearts? (Luke 5:22)
- Which is easier, to say; Your sins are forgiven you, or to say; Get up and walk? (Luke 5:23)
- But in order for you to know that the Son of man has authority on the earth to forgive sins, he said to the paralyzed man; I say to you, Get up and pick up your little bed and be on your way home. (Luke 5:24)
- And instantly he rose up before them, picked up what he used to lie on and went off to his home, glorifying God. (Luke 5:25)
- Then an ecstasy seized one and all, and they began to glorify God, and they became filled with fear, saying; We have seen strange things today! (Luke 5:26)
- On another occasion the manservant of an army officer was laid up with paralysis and was about to die, but Jesus healed him from a distance.
- When he entered into Capernaum, an army officer came to him, entreating him (Matthew 8:5)
- And saying; Sir, my manservant is laid up in the house with paralysis, being terribly tormented. (Matthew 8:6)
- He said to him; When I get there I will cure him. (Matthew 8:7)
- In reply the army officer said; Sir, I am not a fit man for you to

- enter under my roof, but just say the word and my manservant will be healed. (Matthew 8:8)
- For I too am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me, and I say to this one, Be on your way! And he is on his way, and to another; Come! And he comes, and to my slave, Do this! And he does it. (Matthew 8:9)
- Hearing that, Jesus became amazed and said to those following him; I tell you the truth, with no one in Israel have I found so great a faith. (Matthew 8:10)
- But I tell you that many from eastern parts and western parts will come and recline at the table with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of the heavens. (Matthew 8:11)
- Whereas the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the darkness outside. There is where their weeping and the gnashing of their teeth will be. (Matthew 8:12)
- Then Jesus said to the army officer; Go. Just as it has been your faith, so let it come to pass for you. And the manservant was healed in that hour. (Matthew 8:13)
- When he had completed all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered into Capernaum. (Luke 7:1)
- Now a certain army officers slave, who was dear to him, was ailing and was about to pass away. (Luke 7:2)
- When he heard about Jesus, he sent forth older men of the Jews to him to ask him to come and bring his slave safely through. (Luke 7:3)
- Then those that came up to Jesus began to entreat him earnestly, saying; He is worthy of your conferring this upon him. (Luke 7:4)
- For he loves our nation and he himself built the synagogue for us. (Luke 7:5)
- So Jesus started off with them. But when he was not far from the house, the army officer had already sent friends to say to him; Sir, do not bother, for I am not fit to have you come in under my roof. (Luke 7:6)

- For that reason I did not consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and let my servant be healed. (Luke 7:7)
- For I too am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me, and I say to this one; Be on your way! And he is on his way, and to another; Come! And he comes. And to my slave; Do this! And he does it. (Luke 7:8)
- Well, when Jesus heard these things he marveled at him, and he turned to the crowd following him and said; I tell you, not even in Israel have I found so great a faith. (Luke 7:9)
- And those that had been sent, on getting back to the house, found the slave in good health. (Luke 7:10)
- This slave was terribly tormented, or terribly afflicted.
- And saying; Sir, my manservant is laid up in the house with paralysis, being terribly tormented. (Matthew 8:6)
- Which may, but does not necessarily, indicate that he was suffering intense pain. Though usually not painful, paralysis may be. Cramplike pains occur in the spine and the extremities in cases of paralysis agitans, parkinsonism, or shaking palsy, and there is agonizing pain in paraplegia dolorosa, a form of paralysis associated with some cases of spinal cord cancer. Paralytics are persons afflicted with paralysis.
- The evangelist Philip preached, and he performed signs in the city of Samaria, curing many paralyzed persons.
- Philip, for one, went down to the city of Samaria and began to preach the Christ to them. (Acts of Apostles 8:5)
- With one accord the crowds were paying attention to the things said by Philip while they listened and looked at the signs he was performing. (Acts of Apostles 8:6)
- For there were many that had unclean spirits, and these would cry out with a loud voice and come out. Moreover, many that were paralyzed and lame were cured. (Acts of Apostles 8:7)
- So there came to be a great deal of joy in that city. (Acts of

## **Apostles 8:8)**

- In Lydda, paralyzed Aeneas, who had been lying flat on his cot for eight years, was told by Peter; Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you. Rise and make up your bed. At that, he rose immediately.
- Now as Peter was going through all parts he came down also to the holy ones that dwelt in Lydda. (Acts of Apostles 9:32)
- There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been lying flat on his cot for eight years, as he was paralyzed. (Acts of Apostles 9:33)
- And Peter said to him; Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you. Rise and make up your bed. And he rose immediately. (Acts of Apostles 9:34)
- And all those who inhabited Lydda and the plain of Sharon saw him, and these turned to the Lord. (Acts of Apostles 9:35)