

## Jesus' Healing Hands...

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- Draw Crowds to Jesus

**Bring Life**  
HEALING HANDS WORSHIP SERIES

This sermon series in July is about Jesus' Healing Hands - Jesus' power of healing began with the work that he himself accomplished. He then shared the power to heal with others. We are sent to do the same. First, we are called to offer and bring life wherever we go. We are then called to be a part of the church sent forth to bring healing and wholeness to the world. In Jesus day, people began to spread the word of the healing works Jesus and his disciples were doing. The more people who knew, the more people came seeking healing. In the same way, we must become known so that crowds are drawn to know Jesus.

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### *Become Known*



Jesus healed everyone who crossed His path that needed healing. One woman had a chronic case of bleeding. She was healed by simply touching the hem of Jesus's garment. Blind Bartimeaus received his sight. A Roman centurion came to Jesus begging for Him to heal his daughter. He knew that Jesus could speak the Word and she would be healed. And she was. One man had waited by the pool of Bethesda to be healed. Jesus came along and spoke His Word and the man got up and walked. Another man was let down into the roof top of a home seeking Jesus to heal him. The man was a paralytic and Jesus did heal him. The stories of who Jesus healed are seen in the New Testament Bible and are numerous. Jesus healed people everywhere He went because He had compassion on them.

Jesus healing was not just physical rejuvenation. He gave loved ones back to each other. He forgave sins, he broke the cycle of poverty, he released others from chains of madness and depression....bitterness, anger, hurts, habits, memories. Jesus calmed fears and gave hope to the hopeless. This is how we can heal! This is how we can bring restoration and wholeness.

And everyone told their own stories of healing!

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John the Baptist came preaching repentance....just as the disciples did later when they were sent to bring healing and restore people to wholeness. The people came, offered true confession and were prepared to receive what Jesus was bringing – rightness with God. John kept preaching, Jesus began his ministry and healing – and sent out his disciples to do the same.

King Herod heard about Jesus, John, and their ministries.

John and Jesus offered the world new hope that was different than what King Herod offered.

King Herod was envious, thought his power was diminishing – IT WAS. Rightfully So.

He was focused on temporary power, false truth, and misplaced desire.

Did King Herod thought that beheading John would diminish the authority of Jesus and his disciples, increase his standing, and make him more true.

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Jesus taught the opposite. Tearing down others does not build you up. Envy, hatred, and jealousy diminish oneself and will never lead to God.

We are to be known as humble healers, patient and gracious people who restore the worth of others.

We need to be known for our own repentance so that we can model wholeness and be sought out for it.

How does repentance look in my daily faith journey?

Are there blind spots that cause me to operate as if I were King Herod?

If John the Baptist and Jesus were a team. Who are your teammates on this faith journey?

Pray about your identity and reputation. What are you known for in your community?

How are you sustaining and growing your faith? – How are you helping Jesus become known?