

The View

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Two common threads in nearly all of Jesus' healings:

1. The _____ of the one healed
 - Woman with the issue of blood - Matthew 9:21
 - The leper – Luke 5:12
 - Two blind men – Matthew 9:29
2. The _____ of their _____ to be healed

If we _____ to see our need to be healed, we build a barrier between us and anyone who wishes to help us, especially the Lord.

_____ to help you see if you are in need of healing:

- Is solving someone else's problems or relieving their pain the most important thing in your life, no matter what the emotional cost to yourself?
- Does whether you feel good depend on someone else's approval?
- Do you ignore how you feel or what you want, caring only about how someone else feels or wants?
- Are you a perfectionist who tends to blame yourself for everything that goes wrong?
- Do you feel angry, unappreciated, and used a great deal of the time?
- Do you find yourself pretending that everything is fine when it really isn't?

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. ~ Psalm 34:18

- An important part of recognizing the impact that deep hurts has on our lives is to recognize how our _____ of ourselves and the world has changed due to the hurt.
- Deep hurts can make us defensive, putting us in a self-protective mode. One feeling that often accompanies this is a feeling of _____. Do you feel _____ by others, perhaps by God?

David's change of perception in Psalm 43:

- Feelings of _____ .
Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation. Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked. (vs. 1)
- Feelings of _____ .
You are God my stronghold. Why have you rejected me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy? (vs. 2)
- Sense of _____ .
Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. (vs. 5)

Aware of our hurt, we must choose which way we will _____.

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- 2 Corinthians 3:16-18

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2. The awareness of their need to be healed

If we refuse to see our need to be healed, we build a barrier between us and anyone who wishes to help us, especially the Lord.

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