

Towards Healing

God's kingdom is creation healed.

Hans Kung

Being in touch with the magnificently rich reality of God is at the heart of our prayer for healing: imagining the depth and height and glory of what our life in God can be is a powerful, hopeful and healing antidote to the often fearful and narrow emphasis of much that passes as faith-healing today.

The purpose of healing is a deeper vision of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Health is a concept which cannot be defined. To define it is to kill it. Nor can it be possessed. It can only be shared. There is no health for me without my brother, my sister.

Michael Wilson

There is no distinction between healed, saved or made whole.

The Name which is above every name [Jesus-Joshua= deliverance from and to] is derived from a Hebrew root that denotes "to be spacious"

Donald Coggan

To experience salvation is to experience spaciousness. What's it like when I have room to breathe, room to be myself? St. Augustine said that God's first gift to me is to be able to say "I am".

Sickness is a curse and part of the mystery of evil- but it is not a punishment for my sin. The road towards healing begins with acceptance of myself as sinner and sick.

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Looking back on my life, where can I claim healing?

In my physical well-being, health- which I too often take for granted?

Where have I grown emotionally -

in self-esteem, awareness, my sense of who I am,

acceptance of self and others,

emerging responsibility for my behaviour and attitude?

Can I identify and celebrate movement in my faith journey?

Can I name places where I have grown in freedom, compassion, or integration?