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JESUS HEALS THE BROKENHEARTED

In this lesson you will learn that Jesus wants to heal the brokenhearted and make all things new.

- I. Jesus heals the brokenhearted – Luke 4:18; Isaiah 61:1-3.
 - A. Jesus came to Nazareth and He went into the synagogue as was His custom. He took up the scroll of Isaiah, He opened it, and began to read – “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed” – Luke 4:18.
 - B. When the fall of man took place, a curse came upon the human race. This curse was broken when Jesus went to the cross and paid for our sins.
 - C. People no longer have to be poor in spirit, poor in their soul, poor in their body, or poor in their resources.

- II. Joseph’s life is a story of brokenness.
 - A. Sold.
 - B. Slandered.
 - C. Imprisoned.
 - D. Forgotten.
 - E. He chose to forgive. He had two sons and named the first one Manasseh, which means “God made me forget all the toil and pain.” His second son was named Ephraim, which means “God has blessed me and caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction – Genesis 41:51-52.

- III. Jesus makes all things new – Joel 2:25, Jeremiah 29:11, Psalm 27:13, and Romans 8:11.
 - A. Many people are hurting on the inside because of disappointments, rejection, abandonment, divorce, a loss, neglect, and being forgotten or mistreated. This causes a wounded spirit and the results are not having joy and peace and not being able to express love.
 - B. His blood forgives our sins (1 John 1:9).
 - C. His Holy Spirit helps us to forgive.
 - D. His Word renews our mind.
 - E. His name (Jesus) stops torment.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Share a time you were poor in spirit, soul, body, or resources.
- Was there a time you had a wounded spirit?
- How did Jesus make all things new in your life?

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

Make a decision to let your stumbling blocks be stepping-stones and let the Lord turn your scars to stars. You can live again, love again, and laugh again.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE: Luke 4:18 – “He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted.”