



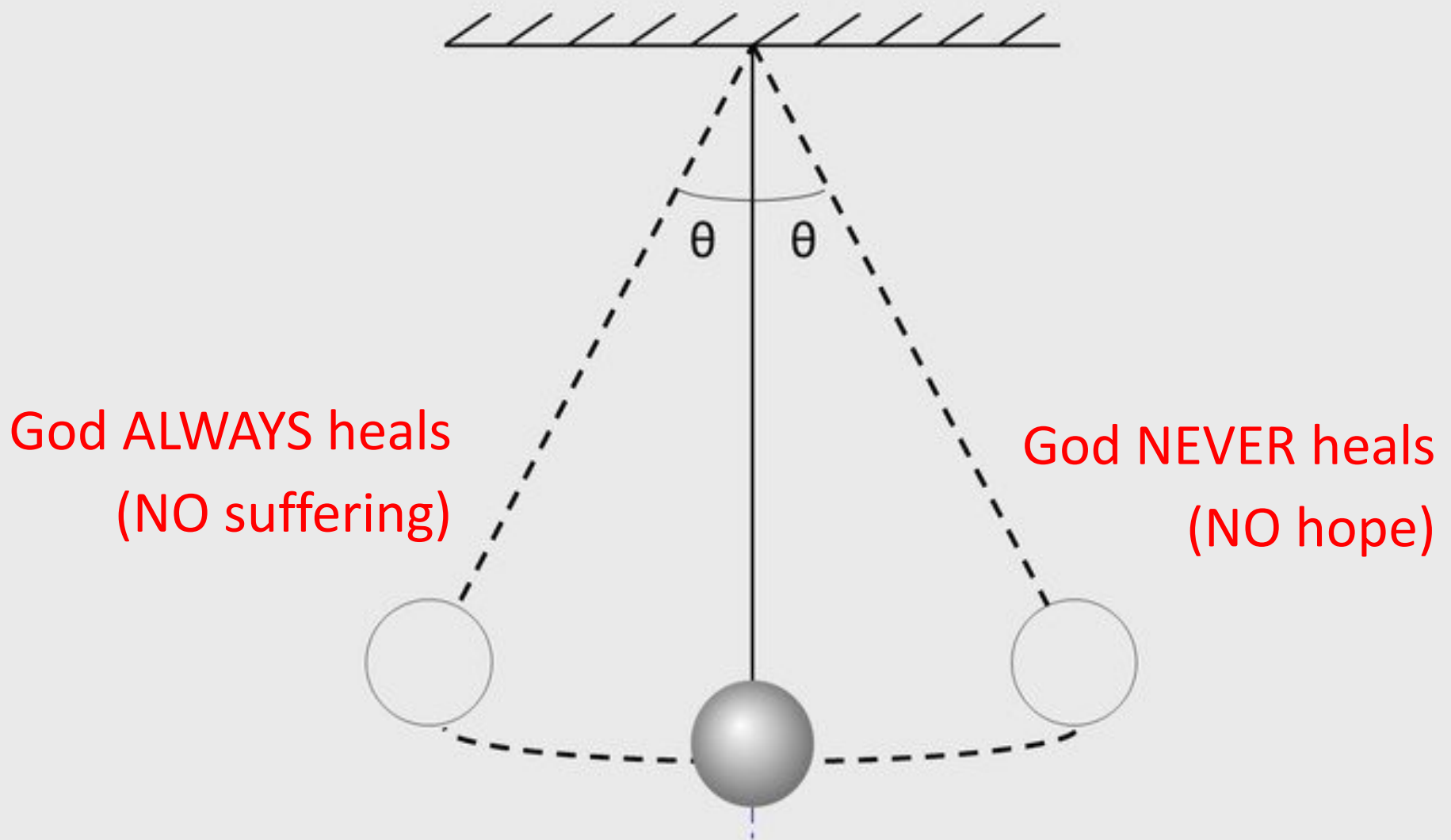
**Does God
Heal Today?**

Four actions

- Proclaim
- Teach
- Deliver
- Heal







- Sometimes God heals, sometimes he doesn't.
Suffering has a redemptive purpose

Fruits of suffering:

- 1. Union with Jesus**
- 2. Compassion**
- 3. Pilgrims**
- 4. Grace for others**

2 levels of healing

1. Physical –
Sanus/health
2. Spiritual –
Salus/Salvation

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"And even though the victory over sin and death achieved by Christ in his Cross and Resurrection does not abolish temporal suffering from human life, nor free from suffering the whole historical dimension of human existence, **it nevertheless *throws a new light* upon this dimension and upon every suffering: the light of *salvation*...** In the Cross of Christ not only is the Redemption accomplished through suffering, but *also human suffering itself has been redeemed*"

John Paul II

OLD TESTAMENT HEALINGS

“I will remove all sickness from your midst; no woman in your land will be barren or miscarry, and I will give you a full span of life.” (Exodus 23:25-26)

“The LORD will sustain him on his sickbed and restore him from his bed of illness.”(Psalm 41: 3).

- *“I am the Lord who heals you” Exodus 15: 26.*
- *See also 2 Kings 5: Healing from leprosy of King Namaan*

*"This is the time of fulfillment. The **Kingdom** of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel"*

Mk 1:15

Jesus Heals

"He went around all of Galilee, teaching..., proclaiming... and curing every disease and illness... and they brought to him all who were sick with various diseases and ... he cured them" Mt 4:23-25

*“they brought to him all who were **ill** or possessed by demons. **He cured many** who were sick with various diseases...” Mk 1:32*

*"Then the righteous will
shine like the sun in the
Kingdom of the Father"*

Mt 13, 41

*Then I saw a **new heaven and a new earth**. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away,... he will **wipe away every tear** from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain..."*

Revelation 21, 1-4

This AGE | AGE to come

AGE to
COME

First coming
of Jesus

Time were
we are living now

Second Coming
Of Jesus

THIS AGE

THE APOSTLES HEALED

*"When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to **cure diseases**, he sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to **heal the sick.**" Luke 9*

MK 16:17 "These signs will accompany those who believe... they **will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover**"

LEVELS OF HEALING

1. Physical
2. Emotional
3. Mental
4. Spiritual

METHOD OF HEALING

***1. Discipleship (prayer,
community, truth,
sacraments)***

2. Science

3. Healing Prayer

“Jesus’ gaze, the touch of his heart heals us...enabling us to become truly ourselves and thus totally of God.” Benedict 16, Saved by Hope

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1509 "Heal the sick!" The Church has received this charge from the Lord and strives to carry it out by taking care of the sick as well as by accompanying them with her prayer of intercession. **She believes in the life-giving presence of Christ, the physician of souls and bodies. This presence is particularly active through the sacraments, and in an altogether special way through the Eucharist, the bread that gives eternal life and that St. Paul suggests is connected with bodily health.**

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*‘Today we have two ways to face up to the problem of ill health: the way of human nature and the way of grace. By human nature, in this sense, encompasses **science and technology and all our resources**—in short, all that we have received from God in creation and all that we have developed from that by using our intelligence.*

But then there’s this second way: grace, which indicates faith and the prayers by which, as God may will, we sometimes obtain healings in a way that goes beyond the scope of human resources.’ ...

Raniero Cantalamessa

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HOW DOES GOD HEAL?

1. Science

2. Sacraments and discipleship

3. Community

3. Prayer

