

Luke 4:25-27

But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.

How many times do we see the Lord work in someone's life and think that the Lord should work that same way in our own life? We even go as far as seeing the Lord do something in the bible for someone, and think He should do the same for us.

But look at Jesus' words again:

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Why do we tend to limit God to only work in a certain way, and that one way only? We have faith that He will do it that same way, and pray and plead for Him to do it that same way for us as well.

But Jesus shows us very clearly that God works in different ways in different people's lives.

Oh, you want examples? I love to give examples from the bible.

† *Matt 9:27-30 When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "**Do you believe that I am able to do this?**" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "**According to your faith let it be to you.**" And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "**See that no one knows it.**"*

† *Mark 8:23-25 So He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the town. And when He had spit on his eyes and put His hands on him, He asked him if he saw anything. And he looked up and said, "I see men like trees, walking." Then He put His hands on his eyes again and made him look up. And he was restored and saw everyone clearly.*

† *Mark 10:49-52 So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be called. Then they called the blind man, saying to him, "Be of good cheer. Rise, He is calling you." And throwing aside his garment, he rose and came to Jesus. So Jesus*

answered and said to him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" The blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, that I may receive my sight." Then Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road.

† *John 9:6-7 When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing.*

First example, *He touched their eyes,*

Second, *He had spit on his eyes and put His hands on him*

Third, *Then Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well."*

Last one is from one of my favorite stories in the bible, *He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent).*

Four different ways that Jesus healed the blind, and no one said, "Hey you did it wrong, you should have done it the same way you did for the other guy."

So let the Lord work in your life, but let Him do it His way, and don't force Him to do it the way you think He should.