

Do you want to be healed?



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"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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Who healed you?

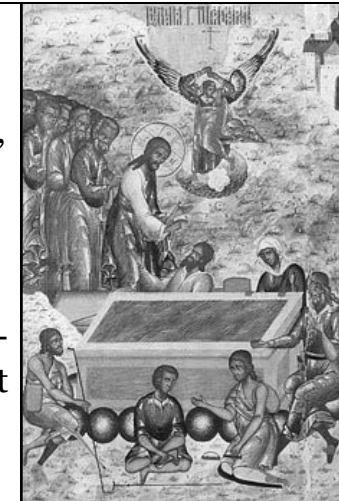
Do you ever make lists so you can remember to do something? Maybe you see your parents write lists—for groceries, for appointments, for bills, and so on. They do that so they will remember to do something important, right?

Well, today when we hear the Gospel, we can really try to remember to do something important too! Today we hear the gospel about the man who could not walk for 38 years. Sadly, he did not have anybody to help him be healed.

But one day, Jesus came, and He asked the man, "Do you want to be healed?" Then He told him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk!" And instantly the man could walk! Suddenly, after 38 years, he was completely healed. Lots of people were amazed, and they asked the man who had made him better. The man told everybody that it was Jesus Christ who had healed him.

Sometimes when we are sick, or when a friend or a relative is sick, we remember to ask God to help us. We ask God to make us—or our friend—better. But then, when we're all better, we forget to thank God!

Let's try to be like the man in the gospel today. When he could walk again, he didn't keep it all to himself. He remembered to tell others that it was Christ who healed him! Let's remember to thank God!



WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

- Cross
- Healed
- Martyrs
- Mavra
- Miracle
- Paralytic
- Rise
- Thank you
- Timothy
- Walk

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SAINTS TIMOTHY AND MAVRA THE HOLIEST MARRIAGE



Have you ever been to a wedding? In the Orthodox Church, you might hear some prayers about how the husband and wife should help each other become better Christians. Did you know that is why a man and women get married? God wants them to grow closer to Him, and that is one way they grow closer to God...together!

Saints Timothy and Mavra were husband and wife. They had only been married a few weeks when the pagan governor found out about Timothy. Timothy was a reader in the church, and he kept a lot of the holy books. The governor told Timothy he had to give up his Christian faith or be killed. Timothy wouldn't give up his faith, because he loved Christ so much. He was put in a lot of pain. Later, the authorities even took his young wife, Mavra, and they hurt her too. Timothy tried to strengthen his wife's faith. He told her not to give in. He told her to show her love for Christ. Finally, the pagan governor made fun of the two saints. He put them on the cross, like our Lord Jesus Christ was. He had them face each other to see if they would give up.

But these two wonderful saints kept their faith, and now they are holy saints in heaven. You can pray to them to help keep any Christian marriage strong and holy!

WHAT'S IN THE ICON?

We see the two holy saints, Timothy and Mavra, here with a Cross.

They were not afraid to die for Christ, even on a Cross! Now we remember their strong faith and love for God.



We remember Sts. Timothy and Mavra today, May 3rd (OC: May 16th).