**Wholeness**

* Right relationships with God and our neighbors
	+ Spiritual
	+ Physical
	+ Mental
	+ Emotional

***The central image for us is not cure but wholeness!***

**Christian Healing**

* Touch
* Concern
* Corporate worship
* Death
* Medical professionals
* Scientists
* Therapists

***No one chooses illness, but many testify that illness brought them closer to God and loved ones, making them feel, oddly, more alive than ever before.***

**Healing in the Bible**

* to heal/ restoring to normal occurs 65 times in the Old Testament (rapa)
	+ Not only are human diseases healed
		- water (2 Kings 2:19-22)
		- salt water (Ezekiel 47:8)
		- pottery (Jeremiah 18:1-11)
		- the nation (Isaiah 6:10; Jeremiah 30; 51:8-9; Hosea 6:1)
* to heal occurs 22 times in the New Testament (iaomai)
	+ Matthew 13:10-17; 15:10-28
	+ John 12:37-43
	+ Acts 9:32-43
	+ Hebrews 12:1-13
	+ James 5:14-15
	+ 1 Peter 2:24

***When we act in communion with God to bring about healing, or when we ourselves receive it, we participate directly in the divine restoration of the material order.***

**Homework: read and/or listen to Psalm 23:4 considering the practice of dying well.**