By His wounds you were healed

But He was pierced through for our transgressions,
He was crushed for our iniquities;
The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him
And by His scourging we are healed. Isaiah 53:5

and He Himself bore our sins *in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.* 1 Peter 2:24

Did Jesus come into the world to suffer and die for our physical health? Many assume that the word healed refers to physical healing. However if we read the verse in context, the healing is for our sins of Transgressions (rebellion) and Iniquities (depravity).

Truly I believe God can heal us of our physical illnesses but He need not suffer and die to do it. In Matthew 8:8, "*The centurion replied, "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. **But just say the word**, and my servant will be healed.*"

God created the universe by His Word and He can certainly heal us by a word without having to die on the cross. "*Jesus reached out and touched him. "I am willing," he said.* "Be healed!" *And instantly the leprosy disappeared.*" Matthew 8:3

Thank God for His Love for us, "*But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*" Romans 5:8

"*Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.*" 3 John 1:2

Stay Saved, Stay Healthy, Stay in Christ.

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