

Bible Study Notes for Sunday the 30th October 2016

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- 1) Why does God say to Israel / us “I am the Lord who heals you”?
- 2) The promise in Exodus 15 verse 26 is conditional. In practical terms what are these conditions?
- 3) In Exodus 15 verse 25 we see something natural but also super natural taking place. Does this apply to the healing ministry today?
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