

# How Jesus Heals

Just say the word,  
and my servant  
will be healed.  
(Matthew 8:8)



# Jesus' Ten Healings in Matthew 8 – 9

Text	Subject	Issue	Jesus' spoken word
8:1 – 4	Miracle 1	Uncleanness, leprosy	Jesus... <i>touch</i> ed him, <i>saying</i>
8:5 – 13	Miracle 2	Illness, suffering	<i>Just say the word</i>
8:14 – 17	Miracle 3	Fever, demons	He cast out the spirits <i>with a word</i>
<b>8:18 – 22</b>	<b>Teaching 1</b>	<b>Jesus requires everything</b>	
8:23 – 27	Miracle 4	Stormy sea	He... <i>rebuked</i> the winds and the sea
8:28 – 34	Miracle 5	Demons	He <i>said</i> to them, 'Go!'
9:1 – 8	Miracle 6	Paralysis	He <i>said</i> to the paralytic
<b>9:9 – 17</b>	<b>Teaching 2</b>	<b>Jesus has come for sinners</b>	
9:18 – 26	Miracles 7 & 8	Uncleanness, death	Jesus turning and seeing her <i>said</i> ... He <i>said</i> , 'Leave...'
9:27 – 31	Miracle 9	Blindness	He <i>touch</i> ed their eyes, <i>saying</i>
9:32 – 34	Miracle 10	Mute, demons	The mute man <i>spoke</i>
<b>9:35 – 38</b>	<b>Teaching 3</b>	<b>More workers for the harvest!</b>	

## Healing #2

<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, imploring him, <sup>6</sup> and saying, 'Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, fearfully tormented.'

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## 1. What was this man's life like?

'...my servant is lying paralyzed at home,  
fearfully tormented' (Matthew 8:6)

# Our Need for Healing

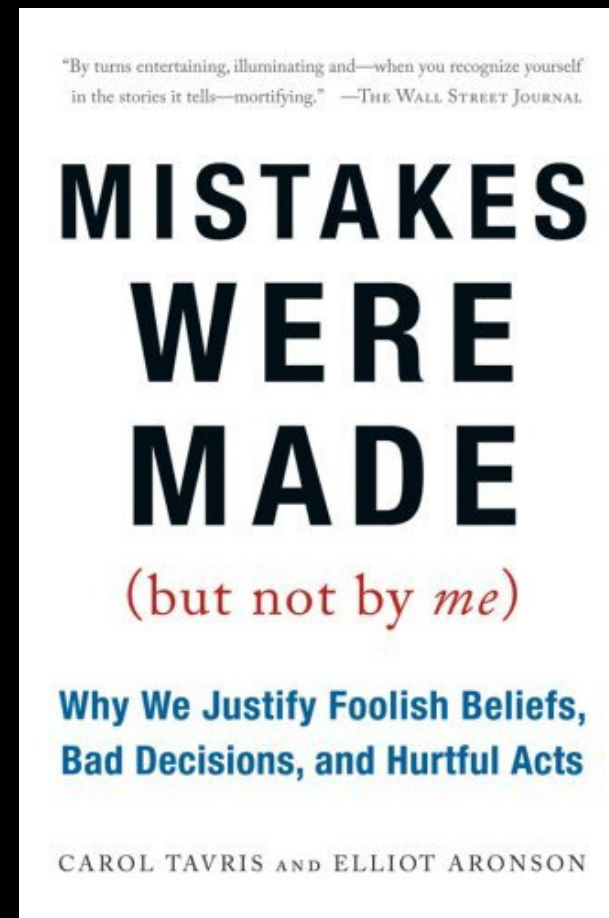
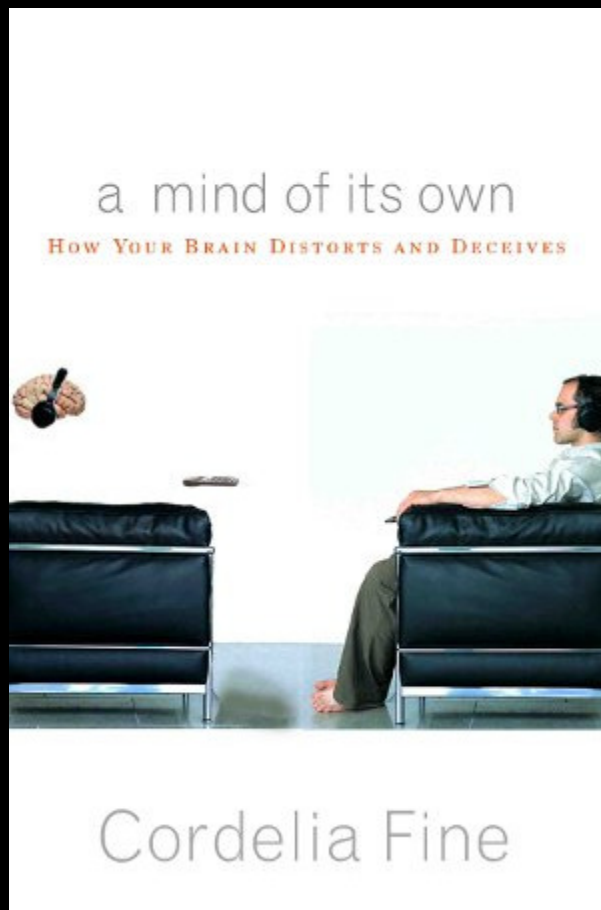
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**Paralysis**

**Sin**

# Our Need for Healing

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# Our Need for Healing

“Why do people refuse to admit mistakes – so deeply that they transform their own brains? They're not kidding themselves: they really believe what they have to believe to justify their original thought. There are some pretty scary examples in this book. Psychologists who refuse to admit they'd bought into the false memory theories, causing enormous pain. Politicians. Authors. Doctors. Therapists. Alien abduction victims. Most terrifying: The justice system operates this way. Once someone is accused of a crime - even under the most bizarre circumstances - the police believe he's guilty of something. Even when the DNA shows someone is innocent, or new evidence reveals the true perpetrator, they hesitate to let the accused person go free.”

“The brain, [Dr. Fine] shows, distorts reality in order to save us from the ego-destroying effects of failure and pessimism.”

# Our Need for Healing

“I analyzed the two other Icelandic banks, but I was unable to analyze my own bank,” he confessed. “I was psychologically unable to admit that we were doomed.”

Asgeir Jonsson, former chief economist at Iceland’s largest bank, Arion Bank



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<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, 'I will come and heal him.' <sup>8</sup> But the centurion said, 'Lord, I am not worthy for you to come under my roof, but just say the word, and my servant will be healed. <sup>9</sup> For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to this one, 'Go!' and he goes, and to another, 'Come!' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this!' and he does it.'

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<sup>10</sup> Now when Jesus heard this, he marveled and said to those who were following, ‘Truly I say to you, I have not found such great faith with anyone in Israel...

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3. How could Jesus heal at a distance?

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<sup>11</sup> I say to you that many will come from east and west, and recline at the table with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven; <sup>12</sup> but the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>13</sup> And Jesus said to the centurion, ‘Go; it shall be done for you as you have believed.’ And the servant was healed that very moment.