

do we have to connect this up with our sicknesses. The only reason we have is that it has the word bore in it which is the word which you can use in many connections and Peter uses the word bore in connection with Christ bearing our sins on the tree--to say that Peter is quoting from this verse, is a big jump that most of our Bibles make and if our reference in the Bible is true, we would say that this proves that Christ bore our sicknesses and therefore we are not true Christians if we are sick. A dentist once said to me that He had a spiritualist girl that came to him and he told me that he liked her better than any other patient that he had, because she never complained of anything that he did--if I bore in hard and hurt her, he said, she said that it was her sins and nothing that he did--and if weren't for the sins I wouldn't have the hurt. She connected up that every pain she had was directly connected up with her sins. I do not think that girl was right. I do not think that pain and sin are directly connected--I think that many pains that we have are directly connected with our sin, but the majority of our pains, I don't think have to do directly with our sin, though I think that all pain that is in the world has come through sin as death --we are all in the world and we are all suffering from this and Christ is bearing our sin on the cross as One, who in His own time will set up His kingdom of righteousness on this earth when he will give us resurrection bodies and then we will have no more suffering or pain and therefore as a result of His atonement, we get the resurrection bodies. Of course He may choose to give specific healing to anyone of us, but we have no right to demand that He will, and to say that I am lacking in faith, if I have a sickness and don't get over it, because even Paul had a thorn in the flesh, and there has never been a greater man in all history than Paul--he twice besought the Lord to take it from him, and the Lord preferred that he keep it. There has been many a person that has honored the Lord through pain and there are others who have honored the Lord through being relieved of pain--but that this means that Christ has taken away all our sickness--and to say that we have no right to have pain, because if we are Christians then we won't have pain--I don't believe that is the correct interpretation of the verse. I think the reference to Matt. is correct and the one to Peter that our Bibles have made is not correct. Matt. says that this is the fulfillment of this verse--here He is healing the sick. Let us look on to the rest of the verses--he has taken borne our sicknesses and carried away our