

Basic Christianity 2 – 5 “Laying On of Hands”

Hebrews 6:1-2 (KJV)

[Laying On of Hands]

- * Biblical practice in both Old and New Testaments
- * Within the laying on of hands was supernatural impartations

[Old Testament]

1. The blessing was transferred.

Genesis 48:14-20 (KJV)

- * Israel (Jacob) laid hands on Ephraim and Manasseh, transferring the blessing
- * In this case, the younger over the older
 - Ex. Isaac over Ishmael
 - Jacob over Esau
 - Joseph over Reuben

Note: Joseph's displeasure in the right hand placed on Ephraim over Manasseh shows this was more than just ritualistic.

2. Sin offerings (sacrifices)

Exodus 29:10, 15, 19 (KJV)

- Leviticus 4:13-15 (ref)
- Leviticus 8:14, 18, 22 (ref)
- Leviticus 24:14 (ref)
- II Chronicles 29:23 (ref)

Leviticus 16:20-22 (KJV)

Numbers 8:6-14 (KJV)

3. Transfer of honor and authority (spiritual)

Numbers 27:15-23 (KJV) (*Media: underline "some" in v. 20*)

Deuteronomy 34:9 (KJV)

“And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel harkened unto him and did as the Lord commanded Moses.”

[New Testament]

1. Jesus laid hands on children and blessed them.

Matthew 19:13-15 (KJV)

- * Mark 10:13-16 (ref) vs. 16 – “He put His hands on them and blessed them.”

2. Jesus laid hands on the sick for healing.

Mark 5:21-23 (KJV)

vs. 41 (KJV) took her by the hand.....

Mark 6:4-5 (KJV) laid hands on them
Luke 13:34-35 (KJV)
Mark 8:22-26 (KJV) laid hands twice on blind man
Luke 4:38-40 (KJV) ... laid hands on all of them
Luke 13:10-13 (KJV) laid hands on her
Mark 7:32 (ref)
Mark 16:15-18 (KJV) "Believers are to lay hands on the sick."

3. Believers are to lay hands on the sick for healing.
Acts 9:10-18 (KJV) Saul saw it (vision), Ananias did it (*Media: underline "Brother Saul" v. 17*)
Acts 28:7-8 (KJV) Publius' father sick and healed
4. Laying on of hands to receive the Holy Ghost
Acts 8:14-19 (KJV) vs. 17 – laid hands on them
Acts 19:1-7 (KJV) Twelve disciples receive baptism of the Holy Ghost
5. Transfer of authority and honor
Acts 6:6 (KJV) Apostles laid hands on deacons
Acts 13:1-3 (KJV) Barnabas and Saul had hands laid on them
I Timothy 4:11-15 (KJV) A gift imparted by laying on of hands
II Timothy 1:6-7 (KJV) Remember and stir up gift
I Timothy 5:17-22 (KJV) Don't take the laying on of hands lightly