MEDICINE AND THE BIBLE

Adam - Gen. 2.21 - first mention of anesthesia and the performance of a thoracotomy (incision of the chest wall) with costectomy (removal of a rib)

Eve - Gen. 2.22 - first attempt at cloning

Abraham/Sarah - Gen. 17-18 - institution of circumcision; infertility and menopause; first mention of surrogate mothers

Esau - Gen. 25. 24-25, 29-34 - hypoglycemia due to congenital adrenal hyperplasia (low blood sugar from an inborn error of metabolism)

Moses - Lev. 11-15 - first Public Health Officer

Saul - 1 Sam. 16.14-23 - first music therapist

Goliath - 1 Sam. 17 - gigantism; death by traumatic brain injury

David - 1 Kings 1.1-4 - bad case of low testosterone (ED)

Elisha - 2 Kings 4.18-37 - first description of CPR

Hezekiah - 2 Kings 20.1-7 - healing power of figs

Job - Job 2.7-8 - a dermatological dilemma

Geriatrics - Eccl. 12.1-8 - metaphorical description of the aging process

Jesus - Matt. 19.12 - recognized primary testicular failure - those born a eunuch

Lazarus - Luke 8.41-44 - woman with dysfunctional uterine bleeding

Zacchaeus - Luke 19.2-4 - short stature

Paul - Acts 9.1-19 - photokeratosis (welding burns)

Crucifixion - Gospels - major trauma