The Healing Workbook

He sent His word and healed them and delivered them from their destructions.

Psalm 107:20
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INTRODUCTION

Throughout the Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments reveal God’s will for His creation—to not harm us, but to give us a hope and a future, a prosperous life. This may bring thoughts of abundance financially, as well as the warmth of being loved and protected. However, it also includes His provision of walking and living in Divine health. You may be asking, “How is this possible?” It’s possible because of what God shares with us in the truth and power of His written Word. The Bible tells us, “that all things are possible with God.” So the bottom line comes down to what we believe and why we believe it.

Regardless of what you’ve been taught in the past, or even have experienced in your own body, the Word makes it very clear that you are already healed because of what Jesus has done for you—what He has done for all of mankind.

If you’ll stay the course with what you’re about to be taught, you’ll see your faith increase and you, too, will see God’s mighty hand restore health unto you. He promised it, and He is not a Man that He should lie.

“God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?” (Numbers 23:19).

Every message has a beginning. This message must begin with the Healer Himself. Do you know Him?
Chapter 1

ESTABLISHING SALVATION

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16).

1. GOD IS PERSONAL AND REDEMPTIVE

A. We are separated from God, but He had/has a plan of redemption.

B. God created Adam and Eve because He wanted to have a relationship with them. They were given dominion over every living thing on the Earth. In the garden there was only one tree from which God had forbidden them to eat. When the devil came to Adam’s wife and deceived her about eating this beautiful fruit, rather than obeying God, Adam went along with the lie. They both ate of the fruit.

C. This disobedience became sin against God and brought death into the world as we know it today. Sickness, poverty, crime or evil was not in the original kingdom. Their sin not only brought spiritual separation from a personal relationship with God the Father, but physical death to man’s mortal body.

D. However, God wasn’t surprised by this action. The Bible says, “Even before the foundation of the world,” God already had a plan in place.

E. Jesus, the second part of the Triune Godhead, came to Earth to be the living sacrifice to pay for our sins.

F. The family line on Earth is carried through the male seed. Because Adam, who was the original male seed, was disobedient and sinned there was no one on Earth who would be able to pay for the sin. The sacrifice must be pure and sinless. Jesus was qualified because He was sinless.

G. God’s plan was to impregnate a virgin, a young woman, Mary. This conception would be made possible by the power of the Holy Spirit Who is the third part of
the Godhead. The Word says, “Unto us a child is born and unto us a son is given” (Isaiah 9:6). This is how Jesus Christ became the child, being born of Mary, but He was also the Son that was given because God was His Father.

H. The Bible calls Jesus the second Adam … God’s gift to man for our redemption.

“But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God’s grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!” (Romans 5:15).

I. Why would God be willing to sacrifice His only begotten Son for mankind? Because He created us to have a relationship with Him and sin had come between us. The only way we could be reconciled back to the Father and to the first state of man was to have a sinless, holy sacrifice pay the debt of our sin. This holy sacrifice would release us from the penalty and curse of the law of sin and death. This sacrifice would pay the way for us to be free. Jesus, God’s Son, became our sacrifice. God loves you and me. He wasn’t going to lose us to the scheming tricks and deception of the devil.

J. Through this great plan of God, Jesus was born, grew to maturity, and taught all those with ears to hear about the Kingdom of God. He lived a sinless life. He was not a victim. Nor was He murdered. He willingly surrendered His life. He laid it down as a sacrifice for our sins by being crucified on a cross. After three days and nights, God the Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit, raised Him from the dead. Now, He sits at the right hand of God the Father, and He makes intercession for you and me.

K. After Christ ascended into Heaven, He sent the third part of the Godhead to live and dwell in us. He sent the precious Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is also a free gift. He’s available to each one when they accept God’s plan of salvation. Jesus said the Holy Spirit would comfort, lead, and guide us into all truth. He is also called the “Spirit of Truth.”

L. As great as the Covenant was in the Old Testament, we know that through Christ we have an even greater covenant in the New Testament. The shed blood of an animal only covered the people’s sins for one year, but it was the shed blood of His one and only begotten Son that bought back our rights as a child of God.
Through the shed blood of Jesus, our sin is removed. We are reconciled back to God, and now as heirs of His Kingdom, we have the same authority as Christ. According to the Bible, this means we can boldly enter the throne room of God, our Father, and speak with Him about what is in our hearts.

“Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4:16).

M. God is love. It isn’t what He does if He feels like doing something nice. He loves us, and He still has great plans for us to be free of the works of the devil. Through His Word and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are able to live above a life of sin and destruction and be made whole.

N. God’s Word says “we all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God,” but it also says His plan is that all would come to the saving knowledge of His Son, Jesus Christ. It is God’s desire that none would perish.

“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

There is a Heaven, and there is a Hell. Only you can choose where you will spend eternity.

2. If you would like to repent of your sins and surrender yourself to make Jesus the Lord of your life, please pray the prayer below, which is according to the Word.

“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:9, 10).
3. PRAYER:

   Father, I come to You now, recognizing that I am a sinner. I ask for you to forgive my sins and wash me clean with the precious blood of Your Son, my Savior, Jesus Christ. May I abide in Your great plan for my life, and receive every benefit that Jesus paid for me to receive: forgiveness of sins and healing in my body. Thank you, Lord. I worship and praise Your holy Name.

4. Now you are born-again and a child of the Most-High God. Welcome to the family of God.

   A. Healing is very much a part of the atonement of what Christ paid for you to freely receive. Healing belongs to you.
   
   B. Isaiah prophesied Jesus’ coming forgiveness of sins and healing.

   “Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected by men, a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:1-5).

   C. Jesus’ fulfillment of healing was witnessed and recorded in the New Testament.
“When Jesus had come into Peter’s house, He saw his wife’s mother lying sick with a fever. So He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served them” (Matthew 8:14, 15).

“When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses” (Matthew 8:16, 17).

D. Peter looked back at the Cross and declared the finished work of Calvary—”by His stripes we were healed” (Isaiah 53, 1 Peter 2:24).

“Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.”

E. God is for us, He gave His only Son just for us.

“But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you” (Romans 8:11).

“…He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, …” (Romans 8:32).
5. GOD’S EVERLASTING LOVE

“I am willing,” said Jesus, Who is always willing. He never refused anyone who came to Him.

“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?” (Romans 8:31, 32).

6. JESUS CLEANSES A LEPER

“A leper came to Him, imploring Him, kneeling down to Him and saying to Him, ‘If You are willing, You can make me clean.’ Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, ‘I am willing; be cleansed.’ As soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy left him, and he was cleansed” (Mark 1:40-42).

7. JESUS SPEAKS TO THE MOUNTAIN.

"So Jesus answered and said to them, ‘Have faith in God.’ For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, ‘whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them’” (Mark 11:22-24).
Chapter 2

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT HEALING?

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. Whether we’re physically in this class or partaking of it elsewhere, we know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You, Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross, which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially. God, I thank You that You complete everything You start—You are the Author and Finisher of my faith, so I know I can be confident that the things I ask for in prayer will be fulfilled by You, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

Please write below an update of your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You Lord, that You paid the price for my healing when You shed your blood on the cross. Psalm 103:4 tells me that You forgive all my iniquities, and You heal all my diseases, it is You Who redeems my life from destruction, and crowns me with lovingkindness and tender mercies. Thank you, Lord. I receive all that you have for me now, in Jesus’ Name.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN GOD’S WILL TO HEAL

1. To establish that it is always God’s will to heal, one must know the Word of God.
   A. The integrity of God’s Word. What does integrity mean?
      • Firm adherence to a code of especially moral or artistic values: incorruptibility.
      • An unimpaired condition: soundness.
      • The quality or state of being complete or undivided: completeness.
        For synonyms see honesty.
   B. What Scriptures confirm the meaning of integrity?

      “God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?” (Numbers 23:19).

      “My covenant I will not break, nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips” (Psalm 89:34).

      “For I am the LORD, I do not change” (Malachi 3:6).

   C. What do the above Scriptures mean to you? Can you see that God does not lie, change, nor break His covenant, ever?
D. The will of God will never contradict the Word of God.

2. What does the Word say about healing in the Old Testament?
   A. God healed Abimelech, his wife, and slave girls so they could have children.

   “Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants. Then they bore children” (Genesis 20:17).

   B. God healed Miriam of leprosy when Moses cried out to God.

   “When the cloud departed from above the tabernacle, suddenly Miriam became leprous, as white as snow. Then Aaron turned toward Miriam, and there she was, a leper. So Aaron said to Moses, ‘Oh, my lord! Please do not lay this sin on us, in which we have done foolishly and in which we have sinned. Please do not let her be as one dead, whose flesh is half consumed when he comes out of his mother’s womb!’ So Moses cried out to the L ORD, saying, ‘Please heal her, O God, I pray!’” (Numbers 12:10-13).

   C. God healed Hezekiah when he turned his face to the wall.

   “In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, ‘Thus says the L ORD: ‘Set your house in order, for you shall die, and not live.’ Then he turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the L ORD, saying, ‘Remember now, O L ORD, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and
with a loyal heart, and have done what was good in Your sight.’ And Hezekiah wept bitterly. Return and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, ‘Thus says the LORD, the God of David your father: ‘I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the LORD’” (2 Kings 20:1-3, 5).

D. God established His covenant of healing through Moses.

“If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you” (Exodus 15:26).

E. Isaiah prophesied of the healing that Jesus would take on the cross.

“Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:4, 5).

NOTE: God healed throughout the Old Testament, and established the healing ministry of Jesus that was to come.

3. What does the Word say about healing in the New Testament?
   A. Jesus only did what He saw and heard the Father doing.
“Jesus answered and said to them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner’” (John 5:19).

“I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me” (John 5:30).

“… I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him” (John 8:28, 29).

NOTE: It is vital to understand the character of Jesus when it comes to the ministry of healing. Jesus walked on this Earth in complete submission to the will of the Father. He never moved apart from what the Father intended. And since we are to be like Jesus, what does that say about us when it comes to healing for today?

B. Jesus went about teaching, preaching, and healing; therefore, it was the Father’s will that Jesus preach, teach, and heal.

“Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people” (Matthew 4:23).

“Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people” (Matthew 9:35).
4. Jesus did what God wanted Him to do, nothing more and nothing less. One third of Jesus’ ministry was healing.


B. It was God’s will that Jesus healed; therefore, it’s still God’s will for us to be healed.

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8).

NOTE: This passage makes it very clear that God is still in the business of healing. We need to believe that healing is for today.

C. Jesus came to heal.

“I have come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him” (Acts 10:38).

D. What does the Word say about healing for followers of Jesus?

- Jesus gave the authority from our Father in Heaven to believers.

“Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples’” (Matthew 28:18, 19).
“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. … And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs” (Mark 16:15, 20).

NOTE: Here we see Jesus giving the same authority that He operated in while He was still on Earth. If Jesus had the authority and power to heal, so do we because of Who He is in us.

- Peter, Paul, and James minister and instruct the Church regarding healing.

“Believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them” (Acts 5:14, 15).

“God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul, so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them” (Acts 19:11, 12).

“Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord” (James 5:14).

NOTE: In these passages, we see God’s work of healing among the apostles. Since Jesus gave them the authority to heal the sick and move with signs and wonders, the apostles now instruct us to do the same.
• Peter looks back at the cross and proclaims healing by the stripes of Jesus.

   “Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed” (1 Peter 2:24).

NOTE: Jesus commissioned His followers to minister healing to others. Believers are the vessels that God uses to heal others. We do not do the healing. God is the Healer, and God is still in the healing business!

CONCLUSION:

1. Based on the integrity of the Word of God, it is God’s will for us to be healed.
2. Jesus paid a costly price for our healing at the cross on Calvary.
3. God healed in the Old Testament, God healed through Jesus and His followers in the New Testament, and God continues to heal through His believers today.

HEALING TESTIMONY

   “Gordon and Freda Lindsay had their firstborn baby, Carole, in 1940. On the second day of Carole’s birth, Freda noticed a knot that was about 1½ in diameter under her head. It was protruding quite badly. She had a feeling that it could be something very serious. But doubt gave way to faith, as she and her husband, Gordon, thanked the Lord daily for the answer. They soon forgot about it.

   “One day, after much time had passed, Freda was washing Carole’s hair, and she could not find any traces of the growth! Freda claimed, ‘Again, our Family Physician won the case!’”
CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can fulfill the calling that God has placed within me to serve Him and His children. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 3

GOD’S BENEFITS

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update of your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank you, Lord for Your Word to me. I know in Isaiah 53, verses 4 and 5, it states that, “Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed.” This means that You already paid the price for my healing and I receive it now in Jesus’, precious Name.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

TO UNDERSTAND GOD’S WILL FOR YOU TO LIVE

“I shall not **die**, but **live**, and **declare** the **works** of the **LORD**”
(Psalm 118:17).

1. The Hebrew word “die” is translated to mean, “to die (as penalty); be put
to death; to die, perish or to die prematurely.

2. What does the Bible say about death?
   - We have to understand what the Word of God says about “death” in
     order to fully understand Divine healing. There is more to healing
     than just being delivered from physical sickness. God has a purpose
     for healing.

3. The Word of God promises “LIFE.”

   “I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the
LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a
future and a hope”
(Jeremiah 29:11).

   “I will restore health to you And heal you of your
wounds,’ says the LORD, ‘Because they called you an
outcast saying: This is Zion; No one seeks her”’ (Jeremiah
30:17).

   “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to
destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they
may have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).
4. LIVE/LIFE
   A. We need to understand what it means to truly “live.”

   • In the New American Standard Bible and the King James Version, “live” may be translated as “quicken, revive, came to life, healed, keep alive, preserved, recovery, repaired, restore to life.”

   • Jesus said that He came to give us life and life more abundantly.

5. DECLARE
   A. Learn to declare the Word of God.

   • In the New American Standard Bible and the King James Version, the word “declare” is translated as “decree,” which means to speak, tell, proclaim, and relate.

   “You will also declare a thing, And it will be established for you; So light will shine on your ways” (Job 22:28).

   “He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction” (Proverbs 13:3).

   B. Misinterpretation of Hebrews 9:27

   “And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment” (Hebrews 9:27).

   • This Scripture does not say that we will die at a certain time or age. It says we are appointed to die. This doesn’t mean that we will die prematurely or we have to have some kind of disease or sickness to die. Many just go to Heaven, peacefully, in their sleep.
C. Works of the Lord.

“How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings. They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house, And You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures. For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light” (Psalm 36:7-9).

“The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, To turn one away from the snares of death” (Proverbs 14:27).

D. As the Holy Spirit leads, speak these Scriptures, out loud, over yourself. They promise a long life. Meditate on them.

“With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation” (Psalm 91:16).

“My son, do not forget my law, But let your heart keep my commands; For length of days and long life And peace they will add to you” (Proverbs 3:1, 2).

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. For by me your days will be multiplied, And years of life will be added to you” (Proverbs 9:10, 11).

“He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction” (Proverbs 13:3).
“Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s” (Psalm 103:4, 5).

“The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, To turn one away from the snares of death” (Proverbs 14:27).

“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you” (Exodus 20:12).

“Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may be well with you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you” (Deuteronomy 5:16).

“That it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth” (Ephesians 6:3).

E. Personal application

a. I am a believer, and believers believe. I believe I will not die, but live!

b. God’s work will be declared through me.

c. I will live a life with the full benefits that are available to me in Christ Jesus.

d. I live prosperously, and I won’t just barely live or live in distress.

e. Make plans to live and not die—what do you see yourself doing in the future?

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HEALING TESTIMONY

(Freda Lindsay’s personal testimony)

“Tuberculosis! What a horrible word! I, too, was afraid that I had it, but I would not let myself think about it, even when my sister suggested I was its victim. Could it be true?

“At the insistence of my family, my lungs were x-rayed. The result: the left lung was entirely spotted with TB; the other was so full of liquid that it showed up only as a blur. The remedy was one year in bed, either in a sanitarium or wherever I could get constant and good care. Perhaps I would recover. My youth was about the only thing in my favor. What a bleak future for a new bride. Gordon and I had only been married a few months!

“During this time, my husband’s parents wanted to help us out. They had lived in Zion City, Illinois, under Dr. John Alexander Dowie’s ministry, and they had seen many miracles. So they immediately called their son. Once Gordon received the message, he got into his car and drove 1,000 miles to come back to Portland. He only stopped along the side of the highway to get a few winks of sleep.

“Now, he stood by my bed. With real faith and determination, he encouraged me in the Lord. He suggested I spend the remainder of the day preparing my heart, and then he would pray for my healing.

“I wept and prayed before the Lord, confessing any unbelief, and asking God to erase any sin of omission. The Scripture 1 John 3:21, was quickened to my soul: “If our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.”

“I felt no sense of condemnation. I was now ready for prayer. Gordon prayed a few minutes with me, and then began thanking God for answering us. No immediate
change was apparent, but I stood on His healing promises. I got up, walked about for a little while, and then lay down again. I repeated this several times during the day.

“By the third day, we were on our way back to Billings, Montana! Within a month, I had regained most of my strength and was able to resume my duties at the church and in my home. Through the years, by taking a short rest period each afternoon, I was able to lead a more than active life, with many demands upon my time and strength. How happy I was that in Satan’s first all-out attack to cut my life short, I turned my case over to our “Family Doctor,” and never had a recurrence of T.B.”

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 4

DIVINE HEALING AND HEALTH

OPENING PRAYER

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Your own body on the tree, so that I, having died to sins, might live for
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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

TO UNDERSTAND HOW AND WHY THERE CAN BE HINDRANCES TO HEALING

“Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. And a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense. They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed” (1 Peter 2:7, 8)

1. Principles of healing.
   A. Divine healing and health is a God-given covenant right to all believers.
   B. Healing is a gift from God.
   C. Jesus proclaimed that He came that we might have life, and have it more abundantly.

   “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).

   D. Healing is available to every believer.

   “Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed” (1 Peter 2:24).

   E. Many times the healing power of God is considered inoperative, when in reality it is because of an obstacle or hindrance.

   F. Healing is the redemptive work of Christ.
2. Common Hindrances. A. A lack of knowledge.

- The Bible says that God’s people “perish for a lack of knowledge.”

“...My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children” (Hosea 4:6).

“...Therefore my people have gone into captivity, Because they have no knowledge; Their honorable men are famished, And their multitude dried up with thirst” (Isaiah 5:13).

- Through ignorance, the blessings of God are missed.
- One must have an understanding that sin and sickness is of the devil.

“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil” (1 John 3:8).

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him” (Acts 10:38).

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).
B. Unbelief: To question, doubt or deny the validity of the Word or act as if it does not work. Unbelief is a sin and will hinder the power from being operative.

“He who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin” (Romans 14:23).

“Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God” (Hebrews 3:12).

“For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it” (Hebrews 4:2).

“Jesus marveled at unbelief, the failure to accept the Word as trust and allow it to be sufficient” (Mark 6:6).

C. Unforgiveness and prayer.

“Whenver you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses” (Mark 11:25, 26).

“Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors” (Matthew 6:12-15).
• Bitterness, anger, resentment, and unforgiveness are contrary to the Word of God.

• Unforgiveness is a poison not to others, but to self.

• Grudges are self-destructive.

• People cannot ask or expect anything from God if resentment and unforgiveness are harbored in their hearts.

• Forgiveness is more than an emotion; it is an act of one’s will; a choice.

• A conscious decision must be made to be obedient to God and walk in love.

• Anyone can forgive—it is just a matter of making the decision.

• Once a decision to forgive is made, the emotion of forgiveness will come.

• Forgiveness includes forgiving others, but it also includes forgiving yourself.

• A decision must be made to forgive your own failures.

“Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 3:13, 14).

D. Laziness—not being diligent.

“You do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises” (Hebrews 6:12).

“Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves” (James 1:22).
• Laziness encompasses not spending time in the Word in order to pursue healing.

• There must be a commitment to diligently seek God: pray, read, mediate on, and speak the Word of God.

• One must take responsibility to receive the benefits of God’s Word. It takes FAITH to believe that you have received.

• Laziness insists on a miracle, rather than being willing to adhere to the process of healing.

• The story of the ant teaches against laziness.

> “Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise, Which, having no captain, Overseer or ruler, Provides her supplies in the summer, And gathers her food in the harvest. How long will you slumber, O sluggard? When will you rise from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep— So shall your poverty come on you like a prowler, And your need like an armed man” (Proverbs 6:6-11).

E. Pride

> “The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate” (Proverbs 8:13).

> “Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for ‘God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.’ Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,
casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you” (1
Peter 5:5, 6).

- Submit to God; resist the Devil.
- A prideful, haughty attitude will hinder the healing power of God.

“Surely He scorns the scornful, But gives grace to the
humble” (Proverbs 3:34).

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- An attitude of “I can handle this by myself.” Pride may include
refusing to seek prayer for healing, attending healing services or trying
to hide illness.

F. Unconfessed sin.

- Honesty, openness, and a willingness to confess all sin and accepting
forgiveness is a vital element to receiving healing.
- Unconfessed sin is secret sin.
- A decision must be made to turn away from any kind of sin that can
easily trap you.
- Besetting sins (those that entrap you) controls, and trips up a person,
time and again.

“I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have
not hidden. I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the
LORD,’ And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah” (Psalm 32:5).

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

“Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us” (Hebrews 12:1).

G. Involvement in the occult

- Practicing the occult is an abomination to God.
- All ties with the occult (horoscope, psychics, Ouija boards, crystals) must be repented of and renounced.

“Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God” (Galatians 5:19-21).
“Give no regard to mediums and familiar spirits; do not seek after them, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God” (Leviticus 19:31).

3. Redeemed from sin
   A. We are redeemed by the blood of Jesus.
   B. Our part is to ask for forgiveness and repent–change!
   C. Holy Spirit helps us.

   “There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. We are not condemned if we are in Christ Jesus and we walk according to the Spirit” (Romans 8:1).

HEALING TESTIMONY

“When Carole was two, I began to develop a slight itching and burning sensation upon my body. We were in evangelistic work and constantly on the go. You know, many times if our affliction is not grave enough to hinder our daily routine, we do not seriously take the matter to the Lord. And so the weeks passed. By now, I was feeling real discomfort, so much so, that my sleep was interrupted, and many times in my waking moments I would have to grit my teeth from sheer distress. I told my husband that unless God intervened, I would have to leave the field. A nurse friend of ours said it sounded like cancer to her, and suggested I have an immediate examination.

“That night, Gordon announced a healing service and asked those who wished for prayer to spend the next two days fasting. So for those two days, I shut myself off, alone with God, and then went into the prayer line. No feeling. No apparent change. Only God’s promises! But that was enough! During the night, as each attack came upon me, I rebuked the devil in the Name of Jesus. When darkness fled, as the morning rays burst through my window, sweet relief had come, and I had the assurance that the victory was
won. The “Great Physician” was present, and I am healed.” (By Freda Lindsay)

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 5

GOD’S WORD HAS POWER!

OPENING PRAYER

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Thank You, Lord, that according to Psalm 30:2, 3, You are my God, and when I cried unto thee, You healed me. O LORD, You have brought up my soul from the grave: You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit. I receive Your provision for my healing now in Jesus’ Name, and I thank You for it.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

HOW TO RELEASE THE POWER

“For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says” (Mark 11:23).

It’s vitally important to understand that God’s Word is filled with power. However, the truth is, if we don’t adhere to it, speak it and believe it, there will be hindrances, instead of benefits.

1. The power of confessions.
   A. Words are seeds that will produce after their own kind.

      “You are snared by the words of your mouth; You are taken by the words of your mouth” (Proverbs 6:2).

      “Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: cause me to understand wherein I have erred” (Job 6:24).

   B. Words are powerful and can produce either life or death. Your confession can be positive or negative.

   C. A confession of sickness or disease magnifies the adversary and destroys confidence in God.

   D. Confessions must be in agreement with the Word of God, so they can produce God’s benefits.

   E. Faith holds fast to the confession of the Word, even in the face of great contradictions.
F. A steadfast confession of victory will produce healing.
G. Speak what the Word of God says.
H. Pray according to that Word.
I. Expect and wait for the physical evidence to manifest.

“Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them” (Mark 11:24).

J. By faith we understand.

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1).

“For we walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7).

- Smith Wigglesworth, author of *Ever Increasing Faith and Faith that Prevails*, said: “I am not moved by what I can see or by what I can feel; I am only moved by what I believe.”
- The devil wants to discourage and keep people from believing God has already healed them by having them focus only on the physical evidence.
- Someone’s condition may appear to become worse, as a decision is made to believe God for healing.
- The question is: “Will you maintain your position?”
- Healing is received by faith and is not determined by what we can see or feel in the body.
- Healing begins on the inside, in the soul, and eventually manifests in the body.
- Faith is planted on the inside of you by speaking the Word of God.
2. Spend time in the Word of God.

“My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:20-22).

“He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions” (Psalm 107:20).

A. Time that is spent in God’s Word is critical for receiving healing.
B. Faith begins where the will of God is known.

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Romans 10:17).

3. Continue to honor and live in peace with others.

“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you” (Exodus 20:12).

A. Parent/child–only one commandment has a promise of life associated with it; honor thy father and thy mother.
B. Spouse (husband/wife).
C. Other–make a conscious decision to honor and live at peace with others.
D. Strife brings every evil work, even sickness.

6. Control your tongue.
“He who would love life And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit” (1 Peter 3:10).

“You are snared by the words of your mouth; You are taken by the words of your mouth” (Proverbs 6:2).

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit” (Proverbs 18:21).

A. The tongue is a powerful weapon and a force in life that must be controlled because it has the power to influence thought, emotions and the body.

B. The tongue can exert positive or negative influence, depending on the words it is allowed to release.

C. Corrupt words are like the piercings of a sword, but righteous words are a tree of life: and bring health and healing.

D. Choose to speak words of life, health and healing.

E. The tongue is like a rudder that controls your life and can turn your body into health. You must control your tongue.

7. Remind yourself of who you are in Christ. AND know, Who He is in you!

“The righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference” (Romans 3:22).

“For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him” (2 Corinthians 5:21).
A. Perhaps the most subtle and dangerous ploy the devil uses is to bring a sense of unworthiness to the person who is seeking healing.

B. This is conquered by knowing and believing what the Word of God says about righteousness.

C. Righteousness is not earned by self, but is a free gift of God through salvation of His Son, Jesus, and what Jesus did for you on the cross.

D. Righteousness allows us to prosper and receive all the blessings of God.

8. The importance of tithing.
   - Withholding the tithe may hinder receiving God’s blessings, which includes healing.

   “‘You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation. Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this,’ Says the LORD of hosts, ‘If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it’” (Malachi 3:9, 10).

9. Bless God’s covenant people—Israel.
   - Discrimination and hatred toward the Jewish people brings curses on your life.

   “I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed” (Genesis 12:3).
CONCLUSION

1. God has made provision for healing through the redemptive work of Christ. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.
2. Every believer who adheres to the Word of God has the right to be healed.
3. When healing is not received, it does not mean God withheld healing. It means there is probably a hindrance or blockage of God’s healing power, and it is important to identify and overcome every hindrance to healing.
4. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you if you are in deception or if there are hindrances in your life.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“In 1943, Gilbert, our oldest son, was born. After a few weeks, when his beautiful, large, brown eyes should have normally begun to focus, we noticed that they did not. As we watched him, day-after-day, we came face-to-face with the fact that his eyes were hopelessly crossed. At the age of two, the pupil of his one eye would often slide behind the bridge of his nose, so that only the white would show. Many advised that he needed treatments or an operation. It was a long battle. However, we believed and continued, maybe even several thousand times, to thank the Lord for the answer.

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   Thank You, Lord, that according to Hebrews 4:12, Your word is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. I speak Your healing Word now and I receive Your provision for my healing in Jesus’ Name. Thank You.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

UNDERSTANDING THE SPIRIT, SOUL AND BODY

“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ”

(1 Thessalonians 5:23).

1. Blessing and Admonition.
   A. Of a body without blemish or defect, whether of a priest or of a victim.
   B. Free from sin, faultless.
   C. Complete in all respects, to fulfill.

   “But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing” (James 1:4).

2. Man has three parts: The Scriptural order of man is spirit, soul, and then body.
   A. Spirit: the part of man that is made in the image of God at the time of rebirth.
      • Born of the Spirit …

   “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.’ Nicodemus said to Him, ‘How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?’ Jesus answered, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you
hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit”” (John 3:3-8).

“But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you” (Romans 8:11).

“Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God” (1 John 3:9).

- The Holy Spirit lives within the born-again believer with resurrection power—the power, the ability to quicken—give life to the mortal body.
- The Holy Spirit is ready to release His power to quicken and heal, but the soul (the mind, will, and emotions) has to come into agreement with the Word in order to affect the body.
- The power of God resides in the spirit. The fullness of Christ is within you.

“To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory” (Colossians 1:27).

B. Soul: The mind, will, and emotions, which can make up the personality of an individual. The soul is also referred to as the filter of the body.

“You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You” (Isaiah 26:3).
“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success” (Joshua 1:8).

- Keep your mind in peace, casting down every thought that tries to exalt itself above the name of the Lord. Continue to press forward.
- A person can die with the same power that raised Jesus from the dead still on the inside of them because of blockages in their soul area.
- Soul renewal—when an emotional, discouraged and mentally defeated Christian starts believing the Word of God, they will experience victory, peace and joy again.
  - The soul can be transformed to the degree it is renewed.
  - The renewed mind changes one’s attitude and transforms one’s values to the Word of God.
  - The “soul” is the filter of the body and has collected everything we have ever seen or heard from before we were born. If the filter is not renewed or transformed according to the Word of God, it will affect the body and life of that man … as a man thinks, so is he!

C. Body: the “house” in which the spirit and soul live.

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service” (Romans 12:1).
“Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?” (Corinthians 6:19).

- The body goes with what feels good.
- The body is supposed to be controlled by the spirit and the soul. It was never designed to be a leader, only a follower. When the body tries to tell you something that doesn’t lineup with God’s Word, you can tell it the truth and it must obey. This is why the Word gives us the proper order: Spirit, soul, and then body.

3. Three Kinds of Mankind.
   A. Natural/carnal man: not born again, cannot hear from God.

   “But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned” (1 Corinthians 2:14).

   B. Spiritual/Carnal: born again, the mind has not been renewed by the Word of God; they are not governed by the Holy Spirit, but lean to their own understanding—five senses and interprets everything by the natural mind, common sense, intuition, or instinct.

   “You are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?” (1 Corinthians 3:3).

   “For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace” (Romans 8:6).
C. Spiritual: born again, mind is renewed to the Word, has abundant life, the fruit of the Spirit is evident, thinks thoughts of God.

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

D. Clean the Filter (Soul)

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Colossians 3:16, 17).

“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God” (Romans 12:2).

“How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word” (Psalm 119:9).

“You have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness” (Ephesians 4:20-24).
4. Mankind is conformed and transformed, depending on whether their mind has been renewed by the Word.

A. To be conformed or transformed is a daily decision based on whether or not the soul is renewed by the Word.
B. The soul is the filter that must be cleansed.
C. The key to transformation is to change the way one thinks.
D. God gives us the spirit the moment of rebirth.
E. The responsibility of the soul is mankind’s decision, to renew the mind and change the way of thinking.
F. God gives mankind the tool for change, power and victory—the Word.

CONCLUSION

1. We are a spirit, with a soul, that lives in a body.
2. We must learn how to live by the spirit, allowing our soul to be transformed by the renewing of our mind, to impact the body.
3. Whatever the mind focuses on determines what will be manifested in the body.
4. True spiritual potential is either hindered or extended by what the soul (mind, will and emotions) focuses on.
5. When the soul, our filter, is renewed, the things of the spirit can flow through us.
6. The filter MUST continually be cleaned and renewed by the Word of God.

“He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish” (Ephesians 5:26, 27).

HEALING TESTIMONY

“One night, as we were returning home from church in our car, I heard the rear door
open. Just as I turned my head, I saw Carole, age five, lose her balance and fall out, as she attempted to close it. Because I was seated in the front, holding Gilbert, I was unable to grab her. She fell out the door onto the street with a loud cry, as our car turned the corner.

“Slamming on the brakes, Gordon rushed to her side. There she lay, whimpering on the pavement. She had slid along the cement on the side of her face, which was now a mass of blood. Quickly we picked her up and rushed her to our home. Now she was shaking as though she would go into convulsions. She was bleeding internally and began to throw up blood. Needless to say, we mightily prayed and called on our God.

“All night, her father kept a close watch over her. However, she never suffered any other ill effects or scars, and one week later, as we attended a Fellowship Meeting at the church of Brother Lindsay’s sister and brother-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Hall, her face had almost entirely healed. She had new baby skin growing, which covered the bruises. The Master Surgeon had done a beautiful piece of plastic surgery!” (By Freda Lindsay)

CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 7

CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to 1 Peter 2:24, You, Yourself bore my sins in Your own body on the tree, so that I, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by Your stripes I AM healed. I receive this healing in the Name of Jesus and thank You for it.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

UNDERSTANDING FAITH

“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him” (Hebrews 11:6)

The entire Christian walk is wrapped up in faith; you cannot see or know God apart from faith. Faith is lived out, not just talked about. Faith connects you to the power of God’s Word in your life, but first you must decide for yourself that God’s Word is true.

In 1 Timothy 1:3-6, Paul stresses to Timothy the importance of:

1) Loving out of a pure heart,
2) Having a good (clear) conscience and
3) Exercising genuine faith.

“Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith, from which some, having strayed, have turned aside to idle talk” (1 Timothy 1:3-6).

1. The characteristic of faith is that you must believe.

“Now He did not do many mighty works there because of their unbelief” (Matthew 15:38)

“So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed,
you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you” (Matthew 17:20).

“For what if some did not believe? Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect?” (Romans 3:3).

“He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God” (Romans 4:20).

A. Faith has the revealed Word of God as its foundation.

B. You ask God to reveal a specific word for you within His Word, the Bible, and you meditate on it until its truth becomes real to you. How will you know when this happens? It suddenly becomes a rhema word or a life-giving word for you personally.

C. You are expecting a result—for your situation to change.

D. God’s revealed word to you builds your faith/beliefs and connects you to God’s power in you for the outcome God has led you to expect.

“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us” (Ephesians 3:20).

E. You’re living in reality and truth. You’re not ignoring facts or pretending a situation doesn’t exist.

“… (as it is written, ’I have made you a father of many nations’) in the presence of Him whom he believed—God,
who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;” (Romans 4:17).

F. You have peace and joy about the final outcome.

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit” (Romans 15:13).

2. Characteristics of faith that produces no fruit.

A. Fruitless faith has no solid foundation.

“Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall” (Matthew 7:24-27).

B. You base your belief on a random Scripture and start to claim it as God’s promise to you, or worse, you use someone else’s rhema word as your own.

- It is absolutely necessary to receive your own revelation from the Holy Spirit through the Word of God. Many believers, through great preachers and evangelists today, have settled for someone else’s
revelation, instead of receiving something fresh on their own from the heart of God. This keeps them immature believers.

C. You hope that God will come through for you, simply because you desperately want or need whatever it is. However, if you are going to stand in faith and believe God for an extended period of time, you must have a Word of truth as your foundation.

D. Fruitless faith can put more emphasis on the words themselves than on Him as the true source of healing. Confessions alone won’t heal you.

E. You may be in denial and untruth. Are you twisting Romans 4:17 to mean something opposite?

“(as it is written, ’I have made you a father of many nations’) in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;” (Romans 4:17).

F. You are stressed and depressed over whether the outcome you want is even possible.

“For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: ‘So I swore in My wrath, ‘They shall not enter My rest,’ although the works were finished from the foundation of the world” (Hebrews 4:2, 3)

G. Fear is the opposite of faith.
“Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours” (Mark 11:24).

- Faith has a present tense—faith in the spirit realm is now—and a future tense—because in the physical realm the results may be delayed as the body may need some time to catch up to what has already been declared to be done in the spirit.

“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

- Mark 11:25 reinforces the importance of having a clear conscience in the matter of faith, which is the fruit of a renewed mind.

“And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses” (Mark 11:25).

- Genuine faith doesn’t deny the condition, but rather confesses that God is bigger and has authority over it. However, in stating the condition, it’s important not to talk so much about it that you inadvertantly lay claim to it. It’s also important not to twist the description Paul made of Abraham.

“He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls things that are not as though they were” (Romans 4:16, 17).
Many people misquote this verse, calling things that are as though they were not, as in stating that they don’t have a condition for which they’ve just been diagnosed. A person with genuine faith not only acknowledges the issue, but confronts the issue with the promise of God that has been revealed to them regarding it.

“Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God”
(Romans 10:17).

- Spend enough time with the Lord and in His Word so that He can reveal His truth to you.
- When God gives you His Word, confess with your mouth the truth that He has revealed to you, so that your faith is strengthened. Do not confess the problem; confess the solution!
- The words alone will not heal you—it’s God. The words build your faith, which connects you to God and His power in and for you.
- It is still wisdom to seek God’s counsel on whether or not you should get help through the medical profession. Regardless, it is important to continue to apply your faith through prayer for your doctor, the medicines prescribed and the therapies indicated.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“When Gilbert was four-years-old, we lived in the picturesque mountain resort of Ashland, Oregon, in the parsonage which was next door to a large gas station and garage that serviced huge cross-country vans. On this particular day, Gilbert was kneeling on the sidewalk, tying a toy to the rear of his tricycle.

“Suddenly, as the station attendant watched, one of those large trucks began to back up, right in the direction of our child. The man shouted loudly, but due to the noise of the motor, the trucker failed to hear him. He kept right on backing. The attendant
threw his hands over his face, feeling certain that the child would be crushed to death. But in that split second, the driver, for some unknown reason, threw on the brakes.

“At that moment, the service employee ran to the side of Gilbert, who was complaining that, “that old truck took my sock off!” The truck had torn the sock right off of the child’s foot, but it had left him unharmed! A few more inches and Gilbert would have been under the truck; he could have died.

“How relieved we were to have committed our child at the beginning of that day, to Him, Whose eye never slumbers nor sleeps. His Divine protection kept us from having to believe for a supernatural healing … maybe even one to have raised him from the dead!” (By Freda Lindsay).

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 8

EXAMINING YOUR FAITH

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Psalm 84:11, You are the L ORD God, and You are my sun and shield; You will give me grace and glory; and No good thing will You withhold from me because I walk uprightly before You. Thank You, Lord, I receive the healing that belongs to me as Your covenant child and command pain and sickness to leave my body now in Jesus’ Name.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

EXAMINE YOUR OWN FAITH LEVEL

“Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? — unless indeed you are disqualified” (2 Corinthians 13:5).

1. There is assurance in having faith in God.
   A. Faith gets results.
   B. We base our faith on the fact that it is impossible for God to lie.
      • When we base our faith on the Word of God, we can be assured that if we are in faith we will get the results that are promised.

2. We all have been given a measure of faith, but it is our responsibility to believe.

   “Since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, ‘I believed and therefore I spoke,’ we also believe and therefore speak” (2 Corinthians 4:13).

   A. We can have faith, but not use or act on our faith, which causes unbelief. Speaking the Word is the best way to “act” on our faith.
   B. The Spirit of Faith always looks at situations and circumstances through the Word of God.

   “For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he
ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith’” (Romans 12:3).

3. What is faith?

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1).

“While we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal” (2 Corinthians 4:18).

A. The Greek word for “substance” means “that which has actual existence, a substance, real being, the substantial quality, of a person or thing, the steadfastness of mind, firmness, courage, resolution, confidence, firm trust, assurance.”

B. The Greek word for “evidence” means “proof, conviction, visible.”

C. Faith is the existence and confidence of things hoped for, the proof and conviction of things not seen.

D. Faith looks at everything in light of what the Bible says. When we move in the spirit of faith, we will always believe the Bible, speak what the Word says, and no matter what the report says, we will look to God.

E. Faith will look beyond temporal things. Faith will give us eyes to see what God will bring to us from the spiritual dimension.

F. Faith is not occupied with doctor’s reports. It will look at situations to see if they line up with God’s Word.

G. Faith and belief make all things possible.

“Jesus said to him, ‘If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes’” (Mark 9:23).
4. Faith requires action.

“[Faith Without Works Is Dead] What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him?” (James 2:14).

“But someone will say, “You have faith, and I have works.” Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works” (James 2:18).

“But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?” (James 2:20).

“For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also” (James 2:26).

A. If we really believe, we will have joy and peace.

B. We have been given a Spirit of Faith.

“They were preaching the gospel there … In Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother’s womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, ‘Stand up straight on your feet!’ And he leaped and walked. Now when the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian language, ‘The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!’” (Acts 14:7-11).

- Gospel means healing, deliverance, salvation (good news).
- The crippled man heard the Word preached. The man heard and had faith to be healed, but he didn’t see the results until he took action. Faith requires action.

C. Believe God’s Word more than you do man’s report.
“If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son” (1 John 5:9).

- The Greek word for “witness” means “report.”

D. Do not be distracted by other’s unbelief, especially if they make remarks like, “this one died, and they believed.” They might have faith, but they were not in faith. Faith brings the report. Faith produces.

5. Check your own faith.

“Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified” (2 Corinthians 13:5).

A. Joy and peace are the results of faith.

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit” (Romans 15:13).

- Two items of evidence of being in faith—joy and peace.
- If you are really in peace, there is no confusion and no agitation.
- You can receive a report, and it may shake you for a moment, but it does not have to settle in your heart. A bad report is nothing but words.
- You have the power to decide, “Whose report will you believe?” Do not let go of your peace.
B. Joy: There is a joy in believing. Even in midst of tribulation, you can have joy in trusting God.

   “Then he said to them, ‘Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength’” (Nehemiah 8:10).

C. Abraham was strong in faith. He didn’t consider his natural circumstances.

   “He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God” (Romans 4:20).

D. There will be a joy in the midst of circumstances because you know that God is bigger than the circumstances. You know that He sent His Word to heal you. You believe God’s report, instead of mankind’s report.

6. Examine yourself: Do I have peace and joy?

   - There is a joy when you know God is in charge. The devil tries to steal joy and peace with the hope of having you agree with him. He wants to steal your peace and joy.

   “Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation” (Isaiah 12:3).

A. Keep yourself in the company of those who can believe with you, so they can encourage you. This isn’t the time to surround yourself by doubters or those who are negative. They can cause your faith to fade.

B. You don’t need to talk yourself into having faith; it’s a gift. You just need to release it and believe it.
C. The more you allow yourself to feel and believe how much Jesus loves you, the more you will believe His Word … He is not a man Who should lie.
D. Human nature is to believe negative reports and allow doubt to come.
E. However, you have the nature of God Who created you now that you are born again.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“Several years ago, we sold our home so that we would have the funds to build The Voice of Healing Printing Plant. We wanted to be able to economically print millions of deliverance books and magazines (God has since made this come to pass). We moved our family into a downstairs apartment at the office. Moving is always a big job, especially with three children. Wearily, I climbed into bed at the end of that Memorial Day, and fell sound asleep. The next morning, I awoke feeling refreshed and rested, praising God for the sweet peace that came as a result of having done what we felt like He wanted us to do.

“I had been awake only a few minutes, however, when Gilbert came into the room; his face was badly swollen. When I asked him what was wrong, he said, “It might be mumps. I’ve been playing across the street with Butch, and you know, he’s had them for two weeks.”

“No, I didn’t know that Butch had the mumps! What a development! Here, the editor’s family, living in the same quarters as THE VOICE OF HEALING was coming down with the mumps! Satan just would not win with this sort of strategy. Indignation came over us as Gordon and I prayed and believed. Within a few hours, the swelling had gone down, his fever left, he ate normally, and played all day while we sang the praises of God. Our “Specialist” in Children’s Diseases had brought the cure!” (By Freda Lindsay).
CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 9

AGREE WITH GOD’S WORD

OPENING PRAYER

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Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

    Thank You, Lord, that according to Mark 5:34, Jesus said to her,
    “Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction.” I know the Word says He is no respecter of persons, so what He does for one He will do for all. Thank You, Lord, that I am Your daughter, and I ask you now to heal me of all my afflictions. Thank You, I receive it now in Jesus’ Name.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

CONFESSING THE WORD

“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:9, 10).

1. Confession brings possession.
   A. Confession: Common consent or agreement, same speech, declaration.
   B. Scripture reveals the importance and power of words, whether they are positive or negative.
   C. We frame our world with our words.
   D. Thus, our words must line up with God’s Word.

   “You are snared by the words of your mouth” (Proverbs 6:2).

   • We must understand that we can either speak life or death, even unto our own bodies.
   • Destroying or building up one’s own body is done through the tongue.

   “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit” (Proverbs 18:21).

   • Your own lips can destroy your own health. Remembering how much power our mouth has will help us with our healing process.
“By your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned” (Matthew 12:37).

- We confess our salvation with our tongues or proclaim our death.

“He who would love life and see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit” (1 Peter 3:10).

E. Just as confession is made unto salvation; it is the same with healing.

F. Words have the power to produce results. It is important to speak positively to produce positive results.

G. Being honest about your health condition is not bad, nor does it mean that you are in denial. If you are sick and it is evident, do not lie and act like you are not. Declare that you are already healed by the stripes of Jesus and you will see His healing power manifested in your body in the future.

H. God’s Words should be coming out of your mouth, not your own.

“Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said: ‘Shall the one who contends with the Almighty correct Him? He who rebukes God, let him answer it’” (Job 40:1, 2).

2. Job’s Response to God

“Then Job answered the LORD and said: ‘Behold, I am vile; What shall I answer You? I lay my hand over my mouth. Once I have spoken, but I will not answer; Yes, twice, but I will proceed no further’” (Job 40:3-5).
3. God’s Challenge to Job

“Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: ‘Now prepare yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer Me’” (Job 40:6, 7).

A. Job realized he had error in his words.
B. Do not talk about the problem.
C. Talk to the problem; speak the solution.
D. Instead of telling God how big your problem is, tell your problem how BIG your God is.
E. Speaking doubt and fear will destroy faith.
F. From the moment faith is released, there must be no further talk of doubt, defeat, or sickness.
G. Faith does not talk what it sees, tastes, smells, or touches. It only speaks what it believes.
H. What comes out of our mouth is a true indication of what you believe.
I. “I know I am healed BUT....” You have cancelled the healing.
J. Doctor’s report is information and facts, which are temporary. The word of God is eternal truth. Scripture says all will pass away, but the Word of the Lord is forever.
K. Let the word of God supersede the doctor’s report.

“Since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, ‘I believed and therefore I spoke,’ we also believe and therefore speak” (2 Corinthians 4:13).

L. It is essential that proclamation, declaration, and decrees of healing are made based on the Word of God.
M. Yield and submit old, easy thinking in the natural to the Word of God.
“So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it” (Isaiah 55:11).

N. Whatever He has said through His word, He will fulfill.

“The L ORD said to me, ‘You have seen well, for I am ready to perform My word’” (Jeremiah 1:12).

O. He will fulfill every promise to you that is written in the Word, because according to the Word, it is impossible for God to lie.

CONCLUSION

To “confess” literally means to say the same thing God says in His Word. When you do this, out loud, it allows you to hear what the Word says, which establishes and confirms what you believe. God says you are healed; therefore you are healed. Remember that “faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.”

HEALING TESTIMONY

“Gilbert came to us with a badly swollen face. When I asked him what was wrong, he said, ‘It might be mumps. My friend, Butch, has had them for two weeks.’ Gordon and I prayed and confessed God’s Word regarding healing. Within a few hours, the swelling and fever left; he was totally healed.

“A few weeks later, I noticed that my jaws were giving me trouble as I chewed. The discomfort increased as time passed. On Sunday night, I returned from church to find I had a bad headache. Thinking I could sleep it off, I went right to bed. After a few hours, I awoke with a raging fever and my neck was very sore. I knew I had picked up the mump’s germs. Gordon was out of town at the time, so I got on my knees in bed. I
reminded the devil that he had already lost the first battle, and that according to God’s Word, he was about to lose the second! Again and again, I quoted the promises of God out loud, while the children slept soundly in the next room. I knew my confession of the Word was the answer.

“Finally, I fell asleep, and when I awoke, I was wringing wet with perspiration. The fever had vanished and I was well! Our “Family Physician,” Who is never too tired, never too busy, nor out of His office, made the call in the middle of the night, and I was healed!” (By Freda Lindsay).

CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 10

MEDITATE ON THE WORD
DAY AND NIGHT

OPENING PRAYER

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Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Isaiah 54:17, no weapon formed against me will prosper. That means not one thing will have the advantage over me, sickness, disease, financial matters, family issues…nothing.

Your Word says I am Your child and You love me. I receive all that Your Word says for me personally. Thank You.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

POWER COMES FROM MEDITATING ON GOD’S WORD

“This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success” (Joshua 1:8).

The Word of God contains within it the power to bring forth healing, deliverance and salvation. Our words bring forth either death or life. We speak no neutral words. God promises us that He will watch over His Word to perform it; thus, His Word must be confessed from our mouths.

“So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it” (Isaiah 55:11).

1. Get the Word of God on the inside of you by memorizing it and meditating on it.

2. Speak the truth of God’s Word. Speak to your body to come into alignment with the Word of God.

3. Continue to believe the Word until you see the expected results.

4. The end result, according to the Word, is you will prosper—to accomplish; push forward and break out.

“Assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt
in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says” (Mark 11:23).

5. It matters what you say.
6. You shall have what you say.
7. Keep a watch over your speech.

“For as he thinks in his heart, so is he. ‘Eat and drink!’ he says to you, But his heart is not with you” (Proverbs 23:7).

8. Which report will you believe? The doctor’s report or God’s report?
9. Check your thoughts.

“Let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not” (Galatians 6:9).

10. Stay in peace.
11. Do not grow weary.
12. The Word of God must have the final authority in your life.

“They are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:22).

13. Stay in the Word.
14. Read, hear, meditate, and confess daily.
15. The Word is your medication for life.
16. Life—in Hebrew means—be restored to life or health.
17. To live free from sickness.
18. Find—in Hebrew means—come upon; light upon; to cause to light upon.
“Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, And your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard” (Isaiah 58:8).

20. Health—in Hebrew means—healing and restoration; made perfect; recovery; repair.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“There was a time when I suffered from a stomach virus. It hit me so hard that I was still in bed the following morning. Although I had a number of appointments, I called my assistant and had him cancel them.

“During the afternoon, my phone rang. I looked at the caller ID, and it was John Hollar, our present Director of the Institute. I was so nauseated that I did not answer the phone. He had been one of the appointments I canceled.

“After a minute or two, I heard my phone reminding me that John had left me a voice message. I listened to the message. He had simply greeted me and said, “I understand that you are not feeling well. I just wanted to call you and pray for you.” In the next 60 seconds, I listened to John, as he prayed a powerfully, anointed prayer of healing over the phone. After he finished he said, “I’ll see you later.”

“I just laid there for a moment in bed. Suddenly, I felt a quickening in my spirit and a wave of energy began to flow through my body. Within several minutes the pressure in my head disappeared, along with the ache in my abdomen. I stood up. I noticed that I was not dizzy! My strength was returning to my body. I knew John’s prayer had touched me. The power of the Holy Spirit entered me, and I was quickened. I got up with all the symptoms of my sickness gone!

“I thought to myself, ‘Is that possible?’ But it was. I’m amazed at the ways our Lord can touch our bodies. We know that the Scriptures reveal He sent His Word to heal the sick, but whoever heard that this could happen through a voice message? We also
know that the disciples laid prayer cloths on individuals and they were healed. God has more ways than we can count to heal our bodies.” (By Dr. Dennis Lindsay).

CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 11

MEDICAL CARE AND YOUR FAITH

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Isaiah 53:5, You were wounded for my transgressions, and bruised for my iniquities, the chastisement for my peace was upon You, And by Your stripes I am healed. I am an overcomer because of Your shed blood. Every symptom must go and bow to the Name above all names…the Name of Jesus. I receive all that you paid for me to have, and I thank You.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

FAITH VERSUS MEDICINE

1. If you receive medical care, does that indicate you have a lack of faith?
   A. God’s desire is for all to be well.
   B. Many times, medical care or treatment is a method or tool God will use. Seeking medical help does not constitute a lack of faith. We still need to use faith because our faith isn’t in the doctors or the medicine. As much as they may help, there is only One Healer, the Lord Himself.
   C. Medical care received in faith is pleasing and acceptable to God. It still requires faith on our part and prayer that whoever we go to has wisdom from above.
   D. Medication supports the physical need, which may help us stand in faith to receive a complete healing.

   “He who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin” (Romans 14:23).

   “Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him” (Hebrews 11:6).

   F. God desires our faith to be in Him and not in the means used to promote healing.
   G. He does not bring condemnation on those who have a need to use medical care.
2. Natural origin of medication.

“The earth is the LORD’s, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein” (Psalm 24:1).

“The earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good” (Genesis 1:12).

“God said, ‘See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food;’ and it was so. Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day” (Genesis 1:29-31).

A. Everything available to man originally comes from God.

B. God gave man the intellect and creativity to find ways to utilize His creation for good.

C. Man can combine, formulate, imitate or duplicate, but only God can create.

3. Biblical example of healing:

“In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, ‘Thus says the LORD: ‘Set your house in order, for
you shall die, and not live.’ Then he turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the Lord, saying, ‘Remember now, O Lord, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what was good in Your sight.’ And Hezekiah wept bitterly. And it happened, before Isaiah had gone out into the middle court, that the word of the Lord came to him, saying, Return and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, ‘Thus says the Lord, the God of David your father: ‘I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord. And I will add to your days fifteen years. I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for My own sake, and for the sake of My servant David.’ Then Isaiah said, ‘Take a lump of figs.’ So they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered” (2 Kings 20:1-7).

A. Hezekiah prayed to the Lord and the Lord healed him.

B. He was obedient to apply an ointment of figs to the boil, which brought healing.

C. He asked the Lord first, and then he applied a natural medical treatment according to what the Lord told him to do.

D. Faith and seeking God’s will and direction will lead to victory.

“In the thirty-ninth year of his reign, Asa became diseased in his feet, and his malady was severe; yet in his disease he did not seek the Lord, but the physicians. So Asa rested with his fathers; he died in the forty-first year of his reign” (2 Chronicles 16:12, 13).
o  King Asa, didn’t seek the Lord, only the physicians, and he died.

   A. It can facilitate the healing process.
   B. It can reduce infection and inflammation.
   C. It can initially lessen the pain.
   D. Sometimes, when pain is so overwhelming, one cannot operate in faith and meditate on Scripture.
   E. One can focus on the Word when there is less pain and bring attention on the Lord.

5. If medication is needed, how do you take it?
   A. It is important to remember that medicine today is far more sophisticated than ever before. In many ways this is good, but in many ways this is a hindrance. Because of the side effects that are prevalent and numerous in our current medicines, there are many serious dangers. It is important to rely on God for taking them, and not just rely on the doctor. Make yourself aware of the side effects and don’t be afraid to confront the doctor about their decision. Remember, it’s still your body and you are given the responsibility of providing for it the best way possible.
   B. If medicine is your option, “Praise God for the medication.”

   “Every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer” (1 Timothy 4:4, 5).

   C. Lay hands on the medicine.
   D. Command it to go where it needs to go to do exactly what it is suppose to do.
   E. Take authority over any evil side effects and loose the benefits.
“Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven” (Matthew 18:18).

“Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth’” (Matthew 28:18).

“Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you” (Luke 10:19).

F. Command the body to extract the good and reject the bad from the medication.

G. Believe the medication will work and facilitate the healing process, so you will not need it forever or for extended periods of time.

6. Chemotherapy
   A. The role of chemotherapy in treating diseases is well known.
   B. Side effects are fairly common, and many times are severe due to toxic effects on the body.
   C. These side effects often provoke a tremendous amount of fear in patients.
   D. God gives us the means to receive even these medications in faith, which allows our bodies to tolerate them without the usual side effects, and especially not fear.

   “For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind” (2 Timothy 1:7).
E. Fear is from the devil, as he talks to our minds to build a case about why this “isn’t going to work,” or “you will die anyway,” etc.

F. People need to renew their minds and change their thinking processes with the Word of God.

   “Jesus answered and said to them, ‘Have faith in God’”
   (Mark 11:22).

   “Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me” (Psalm 23:4).

G. If chemotherapy is needed: Remember that God has given us the power and authority to partake even of these potentially poisonous drugs without fear. Trust Him to be with you to bring you through safely without the usual side effects.

   “They will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover” (Mark 16:18).

   “No weapon formed against you shall prosper …” (Isaiah 54:17).

7. Radiation therapy

   A. Chemotherapy affects the entire body, but radiation therapy affects only the immediate area.

   B. Radiation makes no distinction between healthy or cancerous cells, consequently both are affected.

   C. If this kind of therapy is needed, accept it without fear. God is the Creator of all things.
D. Radiation is concentrated energy waves or light. God created light; He is light.

E. Thank Him for the light source being used in the medical treatment.

> “Then God said, ‘Let there be light;’ and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness” (Genesis 1:3, 4).

> “All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men” (John 1:3, 4).

> “The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple” (Psalm 119:130).

> “Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life’” (John 8:12).

NOTE: If Jesus is the “light,” and you have asked Him to come and live on the inside of you, His light will be greater than the radiation.

> “You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world” (1 John 4:4).

F. The key to a successful radiation treatment is to expose the cancerous cells and protect the healthy cells. God had given us a means of protection, the shield of faith. By faith, believe the radiation will go only where necessary.
“Above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one” (Ephesians 6:16).

“But You, O LORD, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head” (Psalm 3:3).

“For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as with a shield” (Psalm 5:12).

“You have also given me the shield of Your salvation; Your right hand has held me up, Your gentleness has made me great” (Psalm 18:35).

“The LORD is my strength and my shield; My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, And with my song I will praise Him” (Psalm 28:7).

“He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler” (Psalm 91:4).

8. The role of physicians.

A. Jehovah Rapha: The Hebrew word rapha means to repair, restore health, heal, mend, fix and cure.

B. In Exodus 15:26, the Lord refers to Himself as JEHOVAH RAPHA.

C. He proclaims to be the One Who can mend, restore health, fix and heal us.

D. God is the Great Physician; the One all other physicians will ultimately have to answer.
E. God is not opposed to physicians. Many times, medical help is given to us by Him to help us receive healing.

F. We must thank God for physicians. Pray to Him to lead us to the right one, and pray for the physicians to have God-given wisdom in making treatment decision for us.

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind” (James 1:5, 6).

CONCLUSION

1. Recognize the value of doctors and medical care as alternatives that God can use at times to facilitate healing.
2. Faith in divine healing does not mean abandonment of medical care.
3. God and the medical community can work together to promote health.
4. Once God’s healing power has been manifested in the body, then it can be confirmed by the medical profession and their intervention will no longer be necessary.
5. Involve God in every decision, including the selection and use of medical care and treatments.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“When we resigned our positions at the church in Ashland to begin publishing THE VOICE OF HEALING, we were living in the Deep South—Shreveport, Louisiana.

“As the children were in school, we felt it was best for me to stay with them during the school year. Gordon often went on speaking engagements. On this particular trip to Baltimore, he had sat up most of the night in a drafty airport waiting room. The
next night he was up again until almost dawn to help a fellow-minister. Then, he noticed soreness in his neck, which became steadily more painful in the next several days.

“By the time he returned home, the pain in his neck was worse! Stopping off at Memphis, Tennessee, he went quickly to a doctor’s office for an examination. The doctor diagnosed it as a carbuncle at the top of the spine, and urged him to go to the hospital at once for an operation. Gordon told him that was not possible. Only with the promise that he would see a doctor immediately, did the M.D. reluctantly release him. My husband assured him that he would get in touch with his Family Doctor without delay.

“Arriving home from the office, I found him lying on the sofa in pain. But, I did not get the full impact of his condition. We prayed, spoke the Word and believed. However, for several days the back of his neck continued to grow larger and the carbuncle took on an ominous, dark reddish hue. Friends suggested it had gone into blood poisoning. Another friend called a wonderful Christian doctor who advised an operation at once because of the location of the carbuncle, and the danger of spinal meningitis setting in.

“The first few days at home, he urged me to bring a medical book from the office so that he could read the information under the word “carbuncle.” It read: “A very painful and dangerous infection—often in the nape of the neck—causing great exhaustion from the poisoning … death often follows.” I immediately decided he did not need that kind of encouragement, so I didn’t give it to him.

“Now, he rarely talked to anyone, staying at home rather than going to the hospital. The doctor suggested that I put hot packs on his neck to give him some relief. I did, but we desperately clung to God. Finally, after what seemed like an eternity of blackness, the “light” began to shine through. Our hearts bore witness, and we knew God had heard us. Within a few hours the carbuncle began to break and drain. Four days later, he was in the House of the Lord, magnifying the “Great Deliverer!” (By Freda Lindsay)

CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 12

OVERCOMING ON A DAILY BASIS

OPENING PRAYER

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Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Philippians 2:9-11, God has highly exalted You, and given You, Jesus, the name which is above every name, and that at Your name, Jesus, every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that You, Jesus Christ, are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. So I speak to every area of my life that is out of order and command it now to bow to the Name above all names, Jesus Christ. I receive the victory just by using Your Name, JESUS! Thank You.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

COVERING YOURSELF WITH THE BLOOD OF JESUS

“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death” (Revelation 12:11).

1. The importance of faith.

“Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him” (Hebrews 11:6).

A. It takes faith and trust to walk in the provision of what God has done for us.
B. This faith must be in what Jesus did on the cross and in the power of His shed blood.
C. We must be doers and not only hearers of God’s Word.

2. Hearers or doers of the Word.

“Then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Romans 10:17).

A. The early Christians were called Christians because they were not hearers only; they were “doers” of the Word. They were overcomers. They acted like Christ.
“Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead” (James 2:17).

- Faith only works if it is used or practiced.

B. Today, many Christians are hearers only, not “doers” of the Word. This is what keeps them from being overcomers—not walking in victory—not only for their own lives, but also in impacting the world for Christ.

3. Sin requires a sacrifice.

A. The Old Testament law required sacrifices to be made in order to receive forgiveness for their sins.

- These sacrifices could only be made by the priests, as they entered into the Holy of Holies with the sacrificial blood of an animal.
- This sacrifice had to be done once a year, every year, forever.
- If the priest was not right with God, he could die when he went behind the curtain.

B. God knew mankind needed a permanent, one-time, sacrifice. So He sent His Son, Jesus.

“The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth” (John 1:14).

- Jesus was a perfect sacrifice, not only from birth, but He kept Himself sinless while He was on Earth.
- Jesus fulfilled the requirement of the law for the sacrifice because He became the Sacrificial Lamb of God.

“Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption” (Hebrews 9:12).
If Jesus had not fulfilled this requirement, we would still be required to offer these sacrifices.

4. Sin needs the blood of Jesus to wash it away.
   A. Jesus did not do away with the Old Testament law, but fulfilled the law.

   “Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill” (Matthew 5:17).

   B. He fulfilled the requirements of the law itself by becoming the ultimate sacrifice.
   C. The blood of Jesus took care of the sin problem at Calvary.
   D. The blood of Jesus removes sin and the after effects of guilt.
   E. The blood provides redemption, sanctification and cleansing.

   “Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him” (Romans 5:9).

   F. Often, people find it difficult to believe that their past sins have been totally forgiven; washed clean; remembered no more.

   “For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins” (Matthew 26:28).

   “In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace” (Ephesians 1:7).

   “For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified” (Hebrews 10:14).
“Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate” (Hebrews 13:12).

G. It takes faith to trust God to cleanse every sin.

H. By faith, we can forever appropriate the benefits Jesus obtained for us.


“Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes. Cease to do evil” (Isaiah 1:16).

“If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin” (1 John 1:7).

“… and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood” (Revelation 1:5).

   A. The Old Testament priests had to go through many steps for cleansing.
   B. Today, as priests, we must also be cleansed.

“You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light” (1 Peter 2:9).
C. As priests, we should thank God for the provision of the Sacrifice and for the Blood of His Son.

D. As priests, we also have the right and responsibility to wash others in the Blood.

E. The Word of God speaks of the blood of Jesus and of its continuous cleansing power. The present, progressive tense of the word *continuous* means it is ongoing and it allows us to apply the blood on a continuous daily basis. Jesus took care of the root of sin.

   “With the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot” (1 Peter 1:19).

F. If we do not understand what Jesus has done for us, our thought will have us believing we are still unclean.

   “Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this … to keep himself unspotted from the world” (James 1:27).

G. Undefiled means to be without spot, uncontaminated, or unstained by the world.

   “I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one” (John 17:15).

- Associating with certain individuals has the potential to defile you.
  “Do not be deceived: ‘Evil company corrupts good habits’” (1 Corinthians 15:33).
• Deliver us from evil refers to us being influenced or lusting after the things of the world that have no spiritual or eternal value.

• Jesus wants to keep and cleanse us from this evil influence.

“So He said to them, ‘When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one’” (Luke 11:2-4).

• Repentance removes sin. Ask for forgiveness, forgive others if needed, and apply the blood of the Lamb.

• In the natural if you receive an open cut on your body, it will get dirty and infected if you don’t keep it washed and kept clean. Spiritually, we need to do the same thing. We are continually exposed to an infected world with sin, sickness, disease, and unbelief. It’s only the blood of Jesus that will wash, cleanse, and heal our wounds.

7. How do we wash ourselves?

A. Two things wash us: the Word and the Blood.

• Most people know about the washing of the water of the Word, but many do not know about washing with the Blood.

“That He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word” (Ephesians 5:26).
“But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin’ (1 John 1:7).

B. Jesus paid the price of all mankind’s sin with His blood, so we could be cleansed from sin.

C. By faith in the Blood, we are clean: sin is removed and wounds are healed.

D. In practical terms we wash ourselves, which is not a literal act, by applying our faith to what Jesus has done on the cross for us when He shed His blood.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“When Gilbert was fifteen-years-old, he, along with a group of boys, were returning home from high school. They were all running for a bus, which had stopped for them on an extremely busy street. Gilbert was in the lead. In his focus on the bus, he failed to see a car that was coming to the intersection very rapidly. All the cars that were in the second lane of traffic had already stopped for the boys, but the man who was driving fast in the third lane not only wasn’t stopping, he didn’t even see them.

At that moment, Gilbert saw that he was going to be hit, so he immediately tried to jump out of the way. It truly was a miracle that the car missed him. However, the bumper caught the trumpet he was carrying and hurled it clear across that wide intersection. Strangely enough, when he picked up his horn, neither it nor the case was in any way damaged.

Later, when he told us about it, we reminded him that he had been dedicated to the Lord as a child, and we also reminded him of the night he received his trumpet. Our whole family knelt in prayer and dedicated it to the Lord. How wonderful and true are the words of the Psalmist, “For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. They shall bear you up in their hands …” (Psalm 91:11). (By Freda Lindsay).
CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 13

APPLYING GOD’S WORD FOR HEALING

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   Thank You, Lord, that according to Psalm 91:14-16, You have set Your love upon me, therefore You will deliver me; You will set me on high, because I know Your Name. I shall call upon You, and You will answer me; You will be with me in trouble; You will deliver me and honor me. With long life You will satisfy me, and show me Your salvation. I receive this Word for me, and thank You for all You have done for me.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

THE WORD IS OUR MEDICINE

“My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life” (Proverbs 4:20-23).

1. God has made provision in His Word for healing.

2. He has given specific instructions on how to take His Word as medicine.

3. When we literally take medicine as prescribed by earthly doctors:
   A. We submit to their instruction about how to take the medication they prescribe.
   B. We expect this medication to work because the “doctor” has prescribed it, and he is qualified to be our doctor. Most individuals have faith and trust in what the doctor tells them to do.

4. Following the Great Physician’s instructions:
   A. You expect medication to work if you take it according to the directions of the Great Physician.
   B. God’s Word is our medicine. God has prescribed His Word for our health because it says that “His Words are life to those who find them and health or medicine to their flesh” (Proverbs 4:22).
   C. Attend to My Word.
      • To hear, be attentive. Listen.
      • Put God’s Word first.
• Keep God’s Word in front of you.
• Give God your undivided attention.
• Keep other things out and God’s Word in.

D. Incline means to:
• Stretch out, bend down, and bow down, to turn aside, hold out.

E. Thine ears
• Ears—the receiver of divine revelation.
• Open your ears to God’s Word. Listen to what the Spirit is telling you.
• Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.
• When the Word of God gains entrance into your heart, faith will come.
• Faith comes when you feed yourself with the Word of God.
• Faith makes Divine healing work.

“Then Jesus said to the centurion, ‘Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you.’ And his servant was healed that same hour” (Matthew 8:13).

“He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction’” (Mark 5:34).

“‘As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, ‘Do not be afraid; only believe’” (Mark 5:36).

“When He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, ‘Do you believe that I am able to do this?’ They said to Him, ‘Yes, Lord’” (Matthew 9:28).

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Romans 10:17).
• Faith comes by hearing God’s Word.
• Incline your ears unto my saying—that is how faith comes.
• Shut out negative thoughts and reasoning. Listen to what His Word says.

F. Do not let the Word depart from your eyes.
• Depart—to turn aside, go the wrong way, go crooked.
• We must look at the Word of God.
• Keeping the Word of God before your eyes, gives you the ability to see the situation like God sees it.

G. Keep His Words in the midst of your heart.
• The heart refers to your inner man—your core.
• It is with the heart one believes unto righteousness.
• Our heart must be good soil to receive the Word of God.
• Keep the truth of the Word of God in your heart.
• Hide the Word of God in your hearts.

H. The Word of God only became life and medicine to those who find them.
• How do you find the Word of God?
• Through reading the Word of God and giving it your attention, inclining your ear, keeping the Word before your eyes and keeping it in the midst of your heart.

I. Everything we receive must be believed and applied.
• Settle in your heart that Christ is the Healer.
• The Word becomes part of your soul when you meditate.
• Meditating/focusing on the Word allows your soul to be renewed, and it keeps your faith strong.
• The Word of God becomes medicine to your flesh when you act on what you believe.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“Gordon, I, and little Carole were guests of one of the families at the “well” who had been saved in a previous meeting. We had been warned by a number of people that it was a mistake to take Carole into the Arizona desert with us, since she was less than a year old. In fact, when we arrived in Arizona, some of the ministers told us the same thing. Nevertheless, there we were, and both of us felt God had led us.

“We had barely settled in to take the Ajo pastor’s place during his vacation when Carole became ill. She had a severe case of diarrhea, was unable to eat, ran a very high temperature, and was passing blood. It appeared, from the natural, those who had warned us were right.

“We now had a serious decision to make. What should we do? Should we take her to a doctor? We decided to trust God, instead. First, we had a special prayer for her—committing her into the Lord’s care. Then, we went about our work, thanking the Lord for her healing. Almost immediately, we could see the change. The bleeding stopped, and the fever broke. Within a few days, she was completely well.” (By Freda Lindsay).

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.
OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord that according to Psalm 118:17, I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. Thank You, that You are faithful to Your Word, and You are not a Man that should lie. I trust You, Lord, and I receive my every need met now in Jesus’ Name.
LESSON OBJECTIVE:

PLACING YOUR TRUST IN GOD

“This is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him” (1 John 5:14, 15).

1. “Confidence” in the original Greek means “free and fearless confidence, cheerful courage, boldness, assurance and freedom in speaking.”
   A. When I have confidence in something, it means I have trust.
   B. Trust releases us from burden and worry.
   C. If worry tries to control your thoughts, do not let it stay, give it to God.
   D. Assurance means: guarantee, word, and promise.
   E. Many times when we search our hearts, we realize that at times we do not have confidence in Him.
   F. Your confidence and trust is connected.

2. The word “have,” in the original Greek, is to “own, to possess, to lay a hold of a thing, to adhere and cling.”
   A. What is it that I have in Him?
   B. I have confidence in Him.
   C. I have trust.
   D. I have a promise.
   E. All of which gives me faith to believe.

3. If I ask anything in His will—He hears me.
   A. What is His will? His Word.
B. If I ask anything that is in His Word, I can have the trust and assurance that He hears me.

C. If I ask for anything that is in His will, I know He hears me. Whatever I ask, I know that I have the petition I have asked of Him.

4. He hears our petitions.
   A. He hears us when we ask according to His will.
   B. When you believe God has heard you, you can rejoice knowing that you will receive what you have asked for.
   C. If I pray His Word, I do not have to question that God has heard me.
   D. His Word becomes my confidence, security, and rock.
   E. Knowing God has heard me is not based on a feeling.
   F. People lose their peace because they do not have the confidence in Him, and do not trust that He will do what He said He will.
   G. We must believe in our heart that He will do what He says He will do.
   H. When you pray, it is not the length of prayer, but the unity.
   I. Get in unity and agreement with Him based on His Word.
   J. The power is in agreement.
   K. Mediate on the Word of God until it becomes life to you.
   L. Continue to stand and believe based on the Word you have prayed.

5. No prayer is greater than the prayer of agreement.

   “This will be the third time I am coming to you. ‘By the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established’” (2 Corinthians 13:1).

   A. If two of you shall agree, symphonize or harmonize on anything it will be done.
“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven” (Matthew 18:19).

B. There is perfect agreement in the hearts, desires, wishes and voices of two people when they are praying to God in agreement.
C. Unity is standing together with one purpose.
D. Jesus will be in the midst of two or three believers who are praying in agreement and in unison with one another to God the Father. This means Jesus also hears their prayers.
E. Extreme power is in this prayer when there is harmony and unison.

6. Looking at 1 John 5:14, 15, we see that we can have confidence in Him.

“Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him” (1 John 5:14, 15).

7. We also see in Matthew 18:19, 20 that if two agree concerning anything it will come to pass.

“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:19, 20).

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8. So, it is important when you pray the prayer of agreement for your healing, that the person praying with you must believe in God’s healing for you, as well.

9. They must be in total agreement with the Word and you concerning the manifestation of your healing.

10. Caution—be careful who prays this prayer of agreement with you.

11. There is great power in the prayer of agreement.

HEALING TESTIMONY

“At age two, Ayal, Shira and Ari’s son, was a very active child. To all outward appearances, it seemed he was going to be one of those accident-prone individuals who stumbled through life—moving from one calamity to another. However, Gordon had never been one to accept such “accidents” as mere “coincidences.” He believed these incidents were satanic attacks to paralyze the effectiveness of the individual or even to kill him. But he also believed God had promised to keep us free from all harm, and that we, as Christians, needed to claim these promises.

“Therefore, I (Freda) was greatly concerned when I received a frantic call from Shira in Tel Aviv, to tell me about all that had happened to little Ayal in the last few weeks. He had fallen off a balcony, cutting his head on a rail and was rushed to the hospital for stitches. Then, while visiting a friend, he drank a bottle of their medicine, and was rushed to the hospital to have his stomach pumped. Next, he dashed out of a neighbor’s house and was hit by a car, necessitating another hurried trip to the hospital for more stitches. Later, at a retreat, he climbed into a go-cart, turned on the key, and rammed it into the side of the gymnasium, picking up a few bruises en route.

“I warned my daughter that she must not take this lightly nor give in to it. Clearly, Satan was determined to permanently injure or even kill Ayal. She replied that she and Ari had come to the same conclusion, and they wanted me to agree with them to bind
Satan’s power. Together, we called on the Name of the Lord, came into agreement, commanded the devil to loose him, and pled the blood of Jesus around him.

“Since that time, Ayal has been protected from any further “accidents.” The Bible says, ‘No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling’ (Psalm 91:10).” (By Freda Lindsay).

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 15

PROTECT YOUR HEALING

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Psalm 147:3, You heal the brokenhearted and bind up my wounds. I receive this Word for my life and know that I am healed of anything that is causing me pain or sorrow. Your Word is powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword, so I believe and receive all that I need today in Jesus’ Name. Thank You.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN YOUR HEALING

“… and as many as touched him were made whole” (Mark 6:56).

1. Know that you can hold on to your healing and walk in wholeness.
   
   A. The word “whole” in the Greek is “sozo” and has several meanings, but one meaning in particular applies to this situation, “to save a suffering one (from perishing), i.e. one suffering from disease, to make well, heal, restore to health.” Sozo or whole means nothing missing, broken or lacking.

   B. The Word is clear that Jesus provided our salvation, which includes healing.* The word “saved,” which is used in Romans 10:9, 10 “You shall be saved” is the same Greek word used by Mark when he said, “As many as touched Him were MADE WHOLE” (Mark 6:56). Both words, SAVED and MADE WHOLE were translated from the Greek word “SOZO.” Each of the words found in the following scriptures are translated from the same Greek word “SOZO:”

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*(This information was taken from Tommy Lee Osborn, Healing the Sick. (Tulsa: Harrison House, 1977, 1981), pg 19.)
2. Beginning act.
   A. The initial action required to receive the healing power of God is to know God’s Word concerning healing.

3. Continuous act.
   A. Use your faith to believe and advance to the point of wholeness or full restoration.

4. Things you must do to hold on to your healing.
   A. Remember what you did and your initial response when you first believed and received God’s healing through prayer and confession.
   B. Healing is not a feeling; it is knowing that something has already happened because you have prayed.
   C. Think about it being healed. Talk about it, confess it, and celebrate it.
   D. Keep an attitude of faith. Many people experience God’s healing power only to find that as time goes on the effects of healing diminish and symptoms return.
      • Guard your faith. It matters who you associate with, even if that means your friends and family.

   “Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple. For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil. And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.” (Romans 16:17-20).
• Do not throw your pearls before those who will not stand with you in faith.

“Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces” (Matthew 7:6).

• By faith, expect the healing process to continue.

“The Word did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard” (Hebrews 4:2, 3).

• The Word will always be productive unless there is an absence or lack of expectation (unbelief).

“So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it” (Isaiah 55:11).

• When the Word of God is on the inside of you, your mouth is able to return it to God by speaking it out loud.

• Stand firmly and securely.

• Be careful not to reverse the healing by thinking negative thoughts or confessions.

“For as he thinks in his heart, so is he” (Proverbs 23:7).

• It matters what you think about the Word of God.
“For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says” (Mark 11:23).

- Persist with your faith until the full manifestation of healing arrives.

E. Understand that time is involved.

“Let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart” (Galatians 6:9).

- Miracles are instant.
- Healings are progressive.
- Healing is a process, and time is involved.
- Healing will manifest if you do not give up.
- Stay in peace.
- Jesus told the woman with the issue of blood, “Go in peace; thy faith has made thee whole.”

F. Be fully persuaded that the healing power of God is in you once it is received, and it will stay in you.

G. The power can be active or dormant.

H. It is up to you what to do with the power, once you have received it.

“Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all” (1 Timothy 4:14, 15).
I. If you doubt, neglect or reason, then the gift or healing power will be dormant or inactive.

“I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands” (2 Timothy 1:6).

J. Praise and thanksgiving stir up the gift.
K. Think of yourself as a vessel (container) of the healing power of God.
L. Steps in remaining confident of receiving your healing.
   1. Do not grow weary in well doing.
   2. The Bible says that “in the fullness of time it came to pass.”
   3. The Word must be the final authority in your life. Release your faith daily.
   4. Daily thank God and continually praise Him that you ARE healed.
   5. Release your faith by speaking the Word of God over your body.
   6. Command your body to line up with and agree with the Word.
   7. Expect your body to respond to the Word.
   8. Expect to get better every day.
   9. Study the principles of holding on to your faith.
  10. Read, meditate, confess the Word daily.
  11. The Word is your medication for life.

   “They are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:22).

12. The word “health” is the Hebrew word “marpe,” which means medicine.
13. Do in the natural what is necessary until the supernatural takes over. Stay under the care of a physician or take prescribed medication and rest.
14. God wants to use every resource He has provided to get/keep people healed.

“Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, And your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard” (Isaiah 58:8).

HEALING TESTIMONY

“In 1967, Dennis spent the summer with Youth With A Mission. When he arrived home, he looked like a starving war refugee. He was absolutely skin and bones. I could not believe what I was seeing, and I wondered what the reason was for his scrawny appearance.

“Then he told his father and me the story of how he had drunk some contaminated water and had become desperately ill—so sick that he thought he was going to die. The group leader took him to the doctor who said that he had typhoid fever.

“He went back to the place where they were staying, to his sleeping bag. He realized that unless he got a hold of God, he would be left behind as the party moved on from village to village. Even worse, he could die. So the pages of his diary, which he gave me later, showed that he wrestled for several days with the devil and this dreaded disease.

“Pulling himself from his sleeping bag, he continued on with the young people. He claimed the strength of the Lord every step of the way and was able to keep up with them for the rest of the summer. Although, I must admit, he looked the worse for the wear. However, it was his first big test, and by faith, he had conquered! He came back a changed, young man.

“After Dennis finished sharing with us, his father reminded him of the time the devil tried to kill him, too. He had contracted ptomaine poisoning when he first started out in the ministry at the age of 19. If he had not gotten the victory then, he would have been in his grave, too.” (By Freda Lindsay).
CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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Chapter 16

MAINTAIN YOUR POSITION

OPENING PRAYER

Thank You, Father, that we can come together today in Your Son’s Name, Jesus. We know that when two or more are gathered together, You are there, also. Thank You for Your Son, and thank You Jesus, for Your sacrifice on the cross which paid for me to be whole in every way: physically, emotionally, financially, and socially.

Please write below an update on your condition or the situation you are believing God to change. If you are in pain, please pray this prayer:

Thank You, Lord, that according to Mark 5:34, You said, “Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction.” I am Your child, so I know that I, too, can be healed. That my faith has power, not only to receive Your healing, but to be able to go about in peace—shalom—nothing missing, lacking or broken. Thank You, Lord. I receive all of this in Your Name.

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LESSON OBJECTIVE:

HOW TO STAND IN FAITH

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit” (Proverbs 18:21).

1. Do not deny that the symptoms exist.
   A. Make a decision to do something about the symptoms, not based on feelings, but on what God says.
   B. Declare that sickness does not have the right to exist in your body.
   C. Stand against the devil.
   D. Your beliefs will determine your behavior.

2. Renew your mind with the Word of God.
   A. Believe the Word; God cannot lie.
   B. Ask and receive forgiveness of sin.
   C. Learn to exercise self-control, which is a fruit of the Spirit.

3. We, the people of God, have authority.
   A. Use it. Out loud by speaking to your circumstances.
   B. Do not ever quit speaking the Word of God.
      • The number one enemy of healing is ignorance of the Word of God.
      • Faith begins where the will of God is known.

4. Teaching the Word brings healing.

   “It happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who
had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them” (Luke 5:17).

A. While you’re in the presence of the Word being taught, healing is available for all.

5. Healing for all diseases.
   A. Your body prospers based on your soul prospering.
   B. Your soul is the battleground. Your soul is the mind, will and emotions.
   C. The Word works, so find Scriptures that are specifically about your issue or situation.
   D. If the symptoms act like they are going to try to reoccur, speak Nahum 1:9, “This affliction shall not return a second time.”
   E. Do not let down your defenses.

6. Satan is defeated.
   A. Guard against offense.
   B. Be teachable.

7. What do you do while you are waiting?
   A. Always have a thankful heart and praise God for your healing.
   B. Ask in faith. Doubt in nothing.
   C. Everyone needs friends who will stand with them in faith.
   D. Know who you are in Christ Jesus.
   E. Know the Healer Who lives inside of you.
   F. You do not need to be around unbelievers or those who are negative.
   G. Take a stand. Step out of your comfort zone, if necessary!
   H. Do not be too sick for the healing meeting.
HEALING TESTIMONY
(Gordon Lindsay’s testimony)

“Our days in El Cajon were drawing to a close. Soon, we would have to give up the property we had pitched the tent on. However, something happened that almost terminated my ministry before it was hardly started. I was stricken with an almost fatal case of ptomaine poisoning.

“We were never quite certain what brought about the attack, probably from something that I had eaten. My friends had gone somewhere for the day. It was about noon when severe pains began to seize me. I lay down, thinking that I would be better.

I shouldn't have done this. If I had immediately taken dominion over it in the Name of the Lord, I would have received relief. Instead, in a very short time, agonizing cramps began to strike me at brief intervals. They were so intense, that they left me breathless, without strength to pray. I believe right there I made a mistake that many Christians still make. Instead of rebuking the enemy when he appears with the first symptom, people yield to the thing, and before they realize it, Satan has secured a foothold.

“When my brethren returned, they saw that I was in bad shape. They, as well as others, prayed for me, but I received no visible deliverance, instead the cramps increased. I have no desire to exaggerate, but the suffering seemed as intense as it is possible for a human being to experience. Everyone knows how painful a brief cramp can be, but these attacks were not for a moment, nor an hour, nor a day, but continued every few moments over a period of two weeks.

“Naturally, my brethren became somewhat disturbed over the fact that my condition did not improve. Some kind neighbors who attended our meetings volunteered to take me into their home. However, in spite of the best possible care, I showed no improvement, and steadily grew worse. I couldn’t eat anything; the very thought of food increased my nausea. After a few days, when they saw no sign of improvement, these good folks became alarmed. They insisted that we call a physician. I thank the Lord for my physician friends, but I must testify. God has revealed Himself to me as my Great Physician, so I have always felt that I must lean upon Him alone. Besides, had we not
been preaching to the people that Christ could heal? Now, if I could not show people that I trusted the Lord for myself, wouldn’t that part of our preaching have been in vain?

“The family I stayed with was in a dilemma. They knew little about Divine healing, except what we had preached. All evidence seemed to show that I was getting rapidly worse, and unless something was done, I would die on their hands. To them, there seemed no alternative. Either we call a physician or they could not keep me in their home.

“Fortunately for me, Dr. John G. Lake, was in San Diego at that time. He sent word for me to be taken to his home. I shall be ever grateful for his kindness and hospitality. The sixteen mile ride to San Diego was agonizing, although the driver was as careful as possible. Dr. Lake, who had prayed for tens of thousands, and had seen multitudes delivered, prayed for me each evening. Nevertheless, it seemed that nothing could stop the progress of the affliction. By now, the sickness had reduced me to a condition of extreme helplessness. Though I hated to think of it, I could not help but entertain the recurring thought that death was approaching.

“Gradually weakening in body and wracked with constant pain, I resigned myself to death. Yet, I pondered the reason for all that had happened to me. Was this the will of God? However, God was to show Himself to me. The first way was through His Word. Sister Lake had been kind enough to give me some typed sermons by her husband on the subject of healing. As I read those messages, my attention was taken from my suffering to the power of the Risen Christ. Even as I read, I began to feel faith moving in my soul.

“Certain Scriptures came to me with force and vividness. The words quoted by Peter in Acts 10:38, concerning Jesus, ‘Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil,’ left a deep impression upon me. Luke, chapter 13, when Jesus healed the woman bowed over, showed that the infirmity was caused directly by the binding power of Satan. It dawned upon me that it was not the Will of God that I should die, but rather the will of the devil. It was he who would be pleased if he could end my ministry before my time.

“Another Scripture came to my attention. It was Mark 11:22-24, ‘… whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.’
light was dawning, and I began to understand the difference between passive and active faith. Here was a direct warrant for my immediate healing, if I would dare to accept it.

“I could wait no longer. An emergency bell was beside my bed and I gave it a ring. A nurse in the household came, and asked me what I wanted. I replied rather unceremoniously that I wanted my clothes, so that I could get up. I do not remember her answer, except that she hesitated, perhaps not knowing whether I was in my right mind or not.

“Yet, faith had fired up my soul, and I was insistent. ‘Come,’ I said, ‘you have been praying for my healing. Believe your own prayers and bring me my clothes.’ Not knowing what else to say or do, the lady decided to humor me, and bring me my clothes. How I got into them I do not know, for I was very weak, and though the cramps had lessened, they had not ceased. However, my thoughts now were not on my pains, but upon the living reality of the promise of God. I knew I was healed!

“There were some things God showed me in my healing that I have never forgotten. If God could heal me after I was so close to death, how much more could He deliver me and protect me from sickness? It was plain to me that God desired to fulfill His promise by keeping me free from sickness. And so, during the past many years, I and my family have been proving that the Lord is not only a Healer of our diseases, but that He can keep the plague from our dwelling. He has not failed us, and we can fully recommend Christ as that Healer to every home.

“I had lost twenty-five pounds, and my clothes hung upon me, but I paid no attention to this. As my feet touched the floor, I began to praise the Lord for my healing. At that instant my cramps vanished. And for the first time in many days, I felt the sensation of hunger. I sat down to a hearty meal to the astonishment of everybody except the Lake family, who was used to seeing miracles take place.

“Summing this up, I learned two great lessons:

1. Faith is an act. After prayer is made for healing, there is a time to act upon the Word of God. Deliverance came to me at the moment that I acted upon the Word of God.
2. Though it is wonderful to be healed, it is better to be delivered from sickness before it overtakes us. The Word of God, in Exodus 15:26, clearly teaches that God’s plan for the believer is Divine health, rather than Divine healing.”

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, I thank You for the message I have learned today. I thank You, that by faith, I can receive everything You have planned for me. I know Your Word is true, and I receive it all in Jesus’ Name. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for continuing to lead and guide me in all truth, so I can live life to the fullest, according to His Word. Thank You that this lesson is sealed by the Holy Spirit in me, and the cleansing blood of Jesus will wash me clean. I pray this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

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1. Write out three or four scriptures that are specific for your situation and read them three times every day. Include your statement of victory!

Example: Thank you, Lord, that Your Word is true and never changes.

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8).

Thank you, Lord, I do not have to be afraid of anything.

“No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me,” Says the LORD” (Isaiah 54:17).

Thank you, Lord, for normal, 20/20 vision in Jesus’ Name! I praise Your Name!

“Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished” (Deuteronomy 34:7).

Thank you, Lord, for your continued safety and protection.
“His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, ‘Lord, save us! We are perishing!’” (Matthew 8:25).

2. Humility Cures Worldliness

“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded” (James 4:7, 8).

“The report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities. So He Himself often withdrew into the wilderness and prayed.”
“Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them. Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with his bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus.

“When He saw their faith, He said to him, ‘Man, your sins are forgiven you.’

“The scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, ‘Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?’ But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them, ‘Why are you reasoning in your hearts? Which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say, ‘Rise up and walk?’’” (Luke 5:15-23).

“My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:20-22).
“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Thessalonians 5:23).

“Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers” (3 John 1:2).

“‘Come now, and let us reason together,’ Says the LORD, ‘Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool’” (Isaiah 1:18).

“So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it” (Isaiah 55:11).

“Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:4-5).

“What do you conspire against the LORD? He will make an utter end of it. Affliction will not rise up a second time” (Nahum 1:9).

“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was
manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil” (1 John 3:8).

“Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!” (Matthew 18:7).

HEALING TESTIMONY
(Freda Lindsay conducts a healing service.)

“As I waited on the Lord, I felt He wanted us to have a healing service. So I told Benson, ‘You know, I just feel we need a healing service tonight, and I will be glad to speak somewhere.’ He replied, ‘Fine. I will announce you to speak at the largest branch church.’ Benson had started nine other churches in Benin City. Nine brand new churches. Fantastic! One young man with a vision! So he announced the service.

“We had just about an hour to get ready for that service after we got back to the hotel. The Lord impressed upon me to make it very simple. Really simple! Just use Scripture. So at the meeting, I started quoting several Scriptures. I had all the people repeat them. Then I would give another healing Scripture and say, “Now I want you to repeat this. This is what God’s Word says.” I would give another healing Scripture, make a few comments on it, and say, “Now repeat this. Say this out loud.”

“I could see faith and their belief in the Word arise. Finally, when I came to Psalm 103:3, I said to them, ‘Now this says, ‘Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases.’” Then I gave those who wanted to be healed and who had not accepted the Lord an opportunity to find Christ as Savior. We stood and prayed together. Then I continued, ‘This says, ‘Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases.’

“What disease is the Lord going to heal tonight?”

“Somebody raised his hand and said, ‘Heart trouble.’

“‘Cancer.’

“Another one said, ‘Arthritis.’

“‘Asthma.’
“Heat!”

“And I asked, ‘Heat?’ The national worker replied, ‘Fever, fever.’ They used some words I didn’t understand.

“Do you mean this is what God is going to do tonight? He is going to heal all your diseases?” I asked it several times.

“Yes,” they shouted, ‘He is going to do all that tonight.’ So I instructed, ‘Every one of you who has some disease, I want you to stand to your feet right now, and put your hands on your affliction.’ Then we began to pray.

“I asked them to repeat again what God’s Word says about their healing. And so we repeated and repeated; and pretty soon, Charismatic pandemonium broke out (if you know what that is). Then I said, ‘Let’s just go ahead and see what God has done in this place. Check yourself carefully, carefully, carefully. Then those of you, who have received your healing, come up to the platform and tell us what God has done.’

“A line began to form. All of a sudden, a man came up and said, ‘I was in an automobile accident five years ago. My hip was injured, and I have had continuous pain in that hip for five years. My knee was stiff. I couldn’t bend it too well. But all of a sudden, when we began to say those verses, I heard this snap in my hip, and the pain instantly left, and my knee began to bend. I wanted to be sure, because you said to check yourself carefully. So I went outside and ran up and down the street. I hadn’t been able to walk, dragging that foot, let alone run. But I just ran all around this place. I am healed! And not only that, I couldn’t bend my knee, but when I was outside, I touched my knee to my nose.’

“So I suggested, ‘All right, do it now.’ He stood before the people and jerked his knee up so that it touched his nose. Everybody shouted and praised God. I asked, ‘Is there any pain now in that hip?’ And he replied, ‘No, none whatsoever.’ He ran all over the place. He was completely and instantly healed.

“Suddenly, standing in the line before me was the skinny girl I had seen in the vision. I asked the mother, ‘What is the matter with this little girl?’

“She answered, ‘She has been paralyzed. My husband left home a number of years ago because of her, as she had become such a burden. So I have been raising her myself these past few years.’ I asked how old she was, and her mother answered, ‘12.’
“Then I said, ‘What couldn’t she do?’ She replied, ‘She was paralyzed. She could hardly move her limbs.’ Skinny little legs—Skinny little arms—So thin.

“I asked, ‘Can she move them now?’

‘Oh, yes; she walked all the way up here.’

“She began to move her legs and stomp her feet. ‘What about your arms? Can you move your arms? Let’s do this.’ Together we swung our left arms in a circle. ‘Let’s do the other one.’ She began to move it in a small circle. ‘Oh, no, honey, both arms, the same way. Do as I’m doing.’ I swung both arms in a full circle. All of a sudden, she made a full circle. God had completely healed her paralysis. Praise God! She and I jumped all over the platform.”

READ THE SCRIPTURES BELOW AND BELIEVE GOD FOR YOUR HEALING!

“HE HEALED THEM ALL …” (Matthew 12:15).

**Exodus 15:26** – “...If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you.”

**Exodus 23:25** – “So you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you.”

**Psalm 30:2-3** – “O LORD my God, I cried out to You, And You healed me. O LORD, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.”

**Psalm 84:11** – “For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.
Psalm 103:1-5 – “Bless the LORD, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.”

Psalm 107:20 – “He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.”

Psalm 118:17 – “I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.”

Psalm 147:3 – “He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.”

Proverbs 4:20-22 – “My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; for they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh.”

Proverbs 18:21 – “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.”

Isaiah 7:9 – “…If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all.”

Isaiah 53:4-5 – “Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; … But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.”

Isaiah 55:11 – “So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.”
Isaiah 58:8 – “Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, And your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.”

Jeremiah 30:17 – “For I will restore health to you and heal you of your wounds,” says the LORD…”

Malachi 4:2 – “But to you who fear My name The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; …”

Matthew 8:7-8 – “And Jesus said to him, ‘I will come and heal him.” The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.”

Matthew 8:13 – “Then Jesus said to the centurion, ‘Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you.’ And his servant was healed that same hour.”

Matthew 8:16-17 – “When evening had come; they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: ‘He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses.’”

Mark 5:34 – “And He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction.’”

Mark 11:22-25 – “So Jesus answered and said to them, ‘Have faith in God. For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have
And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.”

**Acts 10:38** – “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.”

**Acts 20:32** – “So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.”

**Romans 8:11** – “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”

**Galatians 3:13** – “Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us…”

**1 Thessalonians 5:23** – “Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**Hebrews 4:12** – “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

**Hebrews 11:1** – “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

**Hebrews 13:8** – “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.”
1 Peter 2:24 – “Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.”

James 5:14-16 – “Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed…”

1 John 5:14, 15 – “This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.”

3 John 2 – “Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.”

Revelation 12:11 – “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”

CLOSING PRAYER

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Chapter 18

FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS

There is a reason the Bible starts out with these words … “In the beginning …” There is always a beginning even as the newborn Christian takes their first steps in learning what the Word has to say. As you mature in your Spiritual walk, you will realize it’s not just about knowing the Word—you now know you can’t do anything without it.

This brings us back to the verse that states, “In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, the Word was God.” The Bible isn’t just a book—it’s The Book. Every need we have or question we need answered is found in the Word. This includes healing. Below you will find Scriptures that have been categorized to aid you in receiving your healing.

“Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and forget not all His benefits; who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s” (Psalm 103:1-5).

GOD’S WORD HEALS

“He sent His Word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions” (Psalm 107:20).

“My son, give attention to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart;
For they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:20-22)

“When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick” (Matthew 8:16).

“God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?” (Numbers 23:19).

“Blessed be the Lord, who has given rest to His people Israel; according to all that He promised. There has not failed one word of all His good promise, which He promised through His servant Moses” (1 Kings 8:56).

“Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven” (Psalms 119:89).

“The Lord said to me, ‘You have seen well, for I am ready to perform My word’” (Jeremiah 1:12).

“For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us” (2 Corinthians 1:20).

“The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed” (Matthew 8:8).

“For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12).
ALL WHO CAME TO JESUS WERE HEALED

“When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick” (Matthew 8:16).

“But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew from there. And great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all” (Matthew 12:15).

“And when the men of that place recognized Him, they sent out into all that surrounding region, brought back to Him all that were sick, and begged Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched it were made perfectly well” (Matthew 14:35, 36).

“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them” (Matthew 4:23, 24).

“Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people” (Matthew 9:35).

“And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick” (Matthew 14:14).

“For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him. And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell
down before Him and cried out, saying, ‘You are the Son of God’” (Mark 3:10, 11).

“Ran through that whole surrounding region, and began to carry about on beds those who were sick to wherever they heard He was. Whenever He entered, into villages, cities, or the country, they laid the sick in the market places, and begged Him that they might just touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched Him were made well” (Mark 6:55, 56).

“However, the report went around concerning Him all the more; and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by Him of their infirmities” (Luke 5:15).

“And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed” (Luke 6:17, 18).

“When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them” (Luke 4:40).

“But when the multitudes knew it, they followed Him; and He received them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who had need of healing” (Luke 9:11).

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him” (Acts 10:38).
“And great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them there” (Matthew 19:2).

“At evening, when the sun had set, they brought to Him all who were sick and those who were demon-possessed. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. Then He healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons, and He did not allow the demons to speak, because they knew Him” (Mark 1:32-34).

JESUS’ TOUCH HEALS

“Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, ‘I am willing; be cleansed.’ Immediately, his leprosy left him” (Matthew 8:3).

“So He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served them” (Matthew 8:15).

“Then He touched their eyes, saying, ‘According to your faith let it be to you’” (Matthew 9:29).

“But Jesus came and touched them and said, ‘Arise, and do not be afraid’” (Matthew 17:7).

“For He healed many so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him” (Mark 3:10).

“And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue” (Mark 7:33).

“Then He put out His hand and touched him, saying, ‘I am willing; be cleansed.’ Immediately the leprosy left him” (Luke 5:13).
“But Jesus answered and said, ‘Permit even this.’ And He touched his ear and healed him” (Luke 22:51).

“We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him” (1 John 5:18).

JESUS’ COMPASSION HEALED

“So Jesus had compassion and touched their eyes. And immediately, their eyes received sight, and they followed Him” (Matthew 20:34).

“Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, ‘I am willing; be cleansed’” (Mark 1:41).

“But, when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like a sheep having no shepherd” (Matthew 9:36).

“And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick” (Matthew 14:14).

“And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things” (Mark 6:34).

“When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, ‘Do not weep.’ Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, ‘Young man, I say to you, arise.’ So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother” (Luke 7:13-15).
USING THE NAME OF JESUS

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8).

“For I am the Lord who heals you” (Exodus 15:26).

“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning” (James 1:17).

“Therefore God also has highly exalted Him, and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth” (Philippians 2:9, 10).

“And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, ‘I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her’ And he came out that very hour” (Acts 16:18).

“Then Peter said, ‘Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk’” (Acts 3:6).

“For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Romans 10:13).

“To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins” (Acts 10:43).

“Let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised
from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole” (Acts 4:10).

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12).

“Which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power, and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come, And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church” (Ephesians 1:20-22).

“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Colossians 3:17).

“And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover” (Mark 16:17, 18).

“And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son” (John 14:13).

“Whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full” (John 16:23, 24).
“Then Jesus said to the centurion, ‘Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you.’ And his servant was healed that same hour” (Matthew 8:13).

“Then, behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, ‘Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you’” (Matthew 9:2).

“And suddenly, a woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years came from behind and touched the hem of His garment. For she said to herself, ‘If only I may touch His garment, I shall be made well.’ Jesus turned around, and when He saw her He said, ‘Be of good cheer, daughter; your faith has made you well.’ And the woman was made well from that hour” (Matthew 9:20-22).

“And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, ‘Do you believe that I am able to do this?’ They said to Him, ‘Yes, Lord.’ Then He touched their eyes, saying, ‘According to your faith let it be to you’” (Matthew 9:28, 29).

“Then Jesus answered and said to her, ‘O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire.’ And her daughter was healed from that very hour” (Matthew 15:28).

“So Jesus answered and said to him, ‘What do you want Me to do for you?’ The blind man said to Him, ‘Rabboni, that I may receive my sight.’ Then Jesus said to him, ‘Go your way; your faith has made you well.’ And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road” (Mark 10:51, 52).
“Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ So when He saw them, He said, ‘Go show yourselves to the priests.’ And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice, glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, ‘Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?’ And He said to him, ‘Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well’” (Luke 17:12-19).

“Then He said to her, ‘For this saying go on your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter.’ And when she had come to her house, she found the demon gone out, and her daughter lying on the bed” (Mark 7:29, 30).

“When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, ‘Son, your sins are forgiven you.’ And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts. ‘Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?’ But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, ‘Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say ‘Arise, take up your bed and walk?’ But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins. He said to the paralytic, ‘I say to you, take up your bed, and go to your house.’ Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, ‘We never saw anything like this’” (Mark 2:5-12).
“Then it happened, as He was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying, ‘Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.’ Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, ‘Son of David, have mercy on me.’ So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, ‘What do you want Me to do for you?’ He said, ‘Lord, that I may receive my sight.’ Then Jesus said to him, ‘Receive your sight; your faith has made you well.’ And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God” (Luke 18:35-43).

“And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother’s womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, ‘Stand up to your feet!’ And he leaped and walked” (Acts 14:8-10).

**FAITH REQUIRES ACTION**

“Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, ‘Do you want to be made well?’ The sick man answered Him, ‘Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk.’ And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath” (John 5:5-9).
“Then He said to the man, ‘Stretch out your hand.’ And he stretched it out, and it was restored as whole as the other” (Matthew 12:13).

“And a certain man lame from his mother’s womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple, which is called Beautiful, to ask for alms from those who entered the temple; who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, ‘Look at us.’ So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. Then Peter said, ‘Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.’ And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping and praising God” (Acts 3:2-8).

“‘I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house.’ Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, ‘We never saw anything like this’” (Mark 2:11, 12).

“The nobleman said to Him, ‘Sir, come down before my child dies!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go your way; your son lives.’ So the man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and he went on his way” (John 4:49, 50).

“And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, ‘Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and you shall be clean’” (2 Kings 5:10).

“So he went down and dipped seven times in the Jordan, according to the sayings of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean” (2 Kings 5:14).
“When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, ‘Go, wash in the pool of Siloam.’ So he went and washed, and came back seeing” (John 9:6, 7).

“And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother’s womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul Speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, ‘Stand up straight on your feet.’ And he leaped and walked” (Acts 14:8-10).

THE PRAYER OF AGREEMENT:

“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven” (Matthew 18:19).

“For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them” (Matthew 18:20).

“Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him” (1 John 5:14, 15).

THE PRAYER OF FAITH:

the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much” (James 5:13-16).

“And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive” (Matthew 21:22).
Chapter 19

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER

“Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed be anyone who hangs on a tree.”) (Galatians 3:13).

1. SICKNESS IS NOT FROM GOD

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly” (John 10:10).

“Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage” (Hebrews 2:14, 15).

“For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil” (1 John 3:8b).

BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF ATTACKS FROM SATAN:

“So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and struck Job with painful boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head” (Job 2:7).
“Then one of the crowd answered and said, ‘Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. (vs 17) When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, ‘Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!’ Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, ‘He is dead.’ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose” (Mark 9:17; 25-27 also Matthew 17:14-21).

“And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, ‘Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.’ And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore, come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day.’ The Lord then answered him and said, ‘Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?’” (Luke 13:11-17).
Chapter 20

HELPING OTHERS WITH WHAT YOU’VE LEARNED

“… who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God” (2 Corinthians 1:4 NIV).

“But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, … which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work” (2 Timothy 3:14-17).

JESUS OUR EXAMPLE

“So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him”’ (Luke 4:16-20).
“And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of diseases. ‘And as you go, preach, saying ‘The kingdom of God is at hand.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give” (Matthew 10:1, 7, 8).

“Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons” (Mark 3:14, 15).

“And He called the twelve to Himself, and began to send them out two by two, and gave them power over unclean spirits” (Mark 6:7).

“Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere” (Luke 9:1, 6).

“Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you” (Luke 10:19).

“Most assuredly I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these will he do, because I go to My Father” (John 14:12).

“And He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. And these signs shall follow those who believe; In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they
will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick and they will recover” (Mark 16:15, 17, 18).

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