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INTRODUCTION

A miracle is the supernatural occurrence or intervention of God that transcends human or logical reasoning. At different times in life, people require these supernatural manifestations. When there's no way out, when medical science gives up on a case, and when human reasoning offers no hope, a miracle is required.

The Bible says, "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). Jesus went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; not some, but all! If He healed all that were sick back then in Bible days, He still does so today because He hasn't changed. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever.

It doesn't matter what problems you may be facing today, one thing is sure: God still performs miracles and you can call on Him

today!

The Bible says in Acts 19:11-12 that **“..God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.”**

Miracles are recorded for us in the Scriptures so that we might have faith in the power of a living, resurrected Christ. In John 20:30-31, the Bible says, **“And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.”** In other words, miracles testify to the deity of Jesus. How else can we prove the reality of the presence of God with His Church? It’s the manifestation of the miraculous power of God in people’s lives that removes Christianity from the realm of religion.

The healing miracles performed in our ministry are done through the power in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God. He was crucified over 2,000 years ago, but God raised Him from the dead and He’s alive today in power and is present with us through the Holy Spirit.

In “Healing from Heaven,” you will read inspiring stories of everyday men and women like you, who came to God in simple faith and had their destinies changed. Through these testimonies, you’ll see the reality of the power of our resurrected Lord and Saviour, Jesus

Christ. You'll also find the teachings exciting and inspirational; they are an adventure with the Holy Spirit as He takes you through the Scriptures and brings a fresh revelation to your mind.

All in all, this book will encourage you, bring you hope, stir up your faith, and help you get ready for your own miracle.

God wants you well. He said in 3 John 2, **"Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."** He desires your total wellbeing: spirit, soul and body. He wants to bless you and bless those around you through you also. No matter who you are and what you may be facing in this life, there's something special waiting for you in the pages of this book.

You may be sick and think there's no hope for you, but open up your heart as you go through these pages and let the Holy Spirit touch you right where you are, because the power of the Lord is mightily present to heal. As you read, believe and receive healing from heaven.

GOD WANTS YOU WELL!

1

IT'S TIME FOR YOUR HEALING!

“For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an outcast, saying, this is Zion, whom no man seeketh after” (Jeremiah 30:17).

This is a great message from the Lord to you; He says, “...I will give health back to you, and I will heal you of your wounds...” (Jeremiah 30:17 MKJV).

This means no matter what the case is, whether it's blindness, dumbness, cancer or diabetes, God wants to heal you. God is telling you it's time for your healing; He'll bring health to your body.

I think it's beautiful to hear such a wonderful message from the lips of the Creator of the universe. Many years after His crucifixion, burial and resurrection, we can still call on His Name and get results.

Thanks be unto God that we can make contact with Him through the Name of Jesus Christ today. Thank God for miracles!

Jesus is alive and well. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. The miracles of the Bible are still being witnessed today because Jesus is the same; He hasn't changed. He died, but God raised Him from the dead and showed Him alive to many; and then He ascended into heaven. Today, He is present with us through the Holy Spirit, touching our lives and blessing us in a very special way.

“I WILL; BE THOU CLEAN”

Matthew 8:1-3:

“When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.”

Lepers were outcasts in the society; nobody had anything to do with them. In fact, the law forbade anyone to touch a leper. Think of it, the last time the man felt the comforting touch of another human being was before he became leprous, and that could have been many years before he met Jesus.

Everyone walked past him very quickly outside the city gates and

tossed food to him like a dog. In fact, if people had known he was leprous as he made his way to Jesus, they would have stoned him to death. What a lonely and uncaring world he must have been living in. But when he came to Jesus, he knew it was time for his healing. He felt loved because Jesus was the first person to touch him in his condition, and that touch brought healing to his body. He had never known love, but when Jesus touched and spoke to him, he knew God not only wanted him well but loved him as well, Hallelujah!

It makes no difference to the Lord where you need healing in your body, for He's healed others in the same condition before you. Today, He'll do the same and more for you. Even if your case was the first of its kind and He never healed anyone of it before, you'll be the first!

BECAUSE HE LOVES YOU...

"And he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses" (Matthew 8:16-17).

Jesus healed all that were sick, and the reason He did this was because He loved them.

This very Scripture concerns you; He took your infirmities and bore your sicknesses. He healed you because He loved you. He didn't have to wait for the doctor to help Him do it, just as He didn't have to

wait for anybody to pray for your sins to be forgiven before dying for you on the Cross. He did it because He loved you.

The Bible also says in 3 John: 2, **“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.”**

God loves you and wants you to prosper. He wants you to prosper in your health just as you prosper in your spiritual life. He is concerned about you and He wants you to experience health today. He wants to strengthen and bless you; that’s why He 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). The last part of this scripture lets us know it was God who sent Jesus Christ to do all that He did, and that included going about healing all that were oppressed of the devil.

From this, we can safely conclude that it couldn’t have been the same God who sent Jesus to heal the people Who also afflicted them with sickness and disease. No, it’s the devil that makes people sick, but it’s God who makes them well. He gave Jesus the power and the ability to make you well. In fact, He made you well over 2,000 years ago. Now you only need to accept what He’s done and walk in the light of it. Then **“...your light shall break forth as the morning, and your health shall spring forth”** (Isaiah 58:8). Hallelujah!

Throughout the New Testament, God’s Word clearly shows us that sickness has no place in our lives. But some people, because of their

inordinate craving for the care and sympathy of others, attribute all sorts of diseases to their bodies. Others base their lives on their feelings. Once they feel a headache, they say, "I have a fever." They always voice their feelings. They even become angry when you try to correct their careless utterances. This is really sad because they are walking contrary to God's Word.

1 Peter 2:24 says, **"Who his own self bore our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."**

The truth is, if you were healed then, you're still healed now. Jesus told a paralyzed man to rise up, pick up his bed and go home (John 5:8-9). The man could have remained in his bed saying, "That's just what I can't do; I'm sick and I can't move." But by faith, he received the Word of healing Jesus pronounced and was instantly made whole.

So many need the Lord in their lives today; they need help beyond what mortal men can do. This is why I've committed myself to telling the whole world that Jesus is still the same, and He still performs miracles. You don't have to stay home feeling sorry for yourself, wondering when, how, and if you'll ever be healed.

Hear this truth: the Creator is still alive and ready to heal you now! He wants you to see His blessings and then fill you with the Holy Spirit to enable you lay claim to everything that's rightfully yours in Christ Jesus.

God wants you to live in health. He's not only interested in your

spiritual prosperity but also in your physical wellbeing.

“And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee” (Exodus 23:25).

The Bible says, God will bless your bread and water and take away sickness from your midst (that includes your body, your family, and your home). These are not my words but God’s. Remember, what God does for one, He’ll do for anyone under the same circumstances. And if He’s never done it for anyone else but you require it, He’ll do it for you.

A LIFE RESTORED

2

I want the Lord to heal me totally and completely, and use me to help other people find their healing.” This was the heartfelt prayer of seventy-three-year-old Frank Davies when he came to the Healing School. The testimony that follows is the marvelous way in which God answered.

A pastor and leader of a church in Telford, United Kingdom, Frank Davies knew only God could heal and make him whole. His condition started when he observed he strained to hear whenever he was on the phone. Initially, he thought there was either a problem with his



telephone connection or his telephone set had become faulty. However, Frank became seriously concerned when he discovered it had become increasingly difficult to hear sounds around him.

Without becoming unduly ruffled, he sought medical attention. After series of tests, the doctors diagnosed he was losing his sense of hearing.

“There are several reasons why this could happen...” the doctor began to say.

At this time, Frank was fifty-eight years old, but he knew he still had a whole lot to give his world. God had called him into the ministry to proclaim the good news of His saving power, and to nurture and raise His children in the Word. Frank knew that any sickness of any kind would undoubtedly slow down his work. And as the doctor continued to explain the condition and the plausible causes, Frank wondered how he would carry on his ministry.

A short while afterwards, Frank observed that it was much more difficult than usual for him to hear when the sounds came from his left side. He strained painfully to hear when people spoke to him through his left ear. This caused him to turn and slant his head awkwardly, just to pick up what they were saying.

Over the fourteen years that followed, his condition grew worse, affecting his whole life and ministry. Frank no longer felt comfortable attending public functions or being with people. Most times, he guessed the words that were spoken to him; but in order to avoid

being embarrassed or misunderstanding people, he decided to stay away from people altogether. This caused him so much pain because God had called him to reach people with the gospel, now he stayed away from them as much as he could.

Sometime during this period, a program on television caught Frank's attention. It was an episode of the Healing School program on LoveWorld Television. In desperate need for a change, Frank immediately began to make plans to attend the next session of the Healing School advertised in the TV program. It was scheduled to hold in Johannesburg, South Africa, and it would be a long journey from his home in Telford, but Frank made up his mind to attend.

With great faith for a miracle, Frank journeyed more than ten hours by air, accompanied by Susan, his wife, to the Healing School. Incidentally, this was Frank's first trip to South Africa. What's more, he had used all his savings to make the trip. So for this man of God, it was truly a journey of faith.

They arrived at the Healing School on the 8th of February, 2008, and the love and warmth with which they were received made them



feel completely at home. Frank was so overwhelmed by the atmosphere of joy and faith; he knew he had come to the right place.

When the healing service began, Frank sat with hundreds of others who had come like him with faith for a miracle. With a thankful heart, he praised God for the opportunity to be there. Then, the man of God, Pastor Chris, came into the hall, and began ministering to the sick. Frank felt enveloped by God's mighty presence and watched with increasing expectation as the man of God prayed for each person.

When Pastor Chris got to where he was, Frank could barely stand for joy. The man of God immediately recognized that his condition had been caused by a spirit of infirmity. He put his finger in Frank's left ear and commanded the spirit to come out. Then he blew the anointing on Frank and he fell under the power of God.

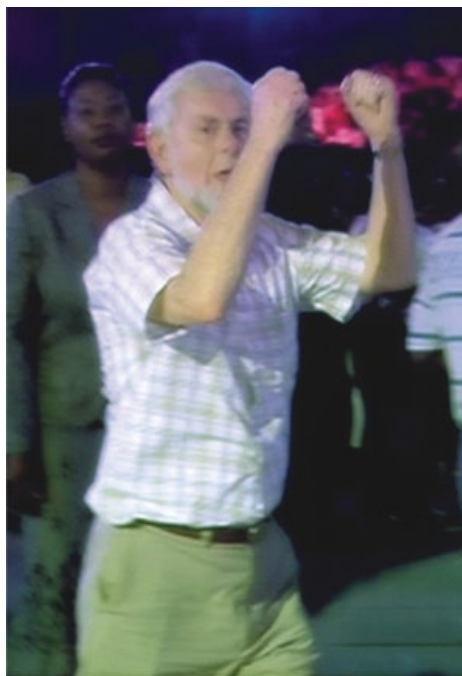
When he got up, he didn't need anyone to tell him he had been healed! Radiant and filled with great joy, he lifted his hands in thanksgiving to God.

The next day, amidst several others who had received their healing, Frank testified of his awesome miracle. With great excitement, his wife



came and stood beside him as he demonstrated his healing. She whispered to him, “*I love you!*” and with delight, Frank responded, “*And I love you too!*”

It has been several years since Frank had his life restored, and



with every opportunity, he testifies of the miracle God performed in his life at the Healing School. He would always be grateful for the opportunity to have attended the Healing School. More touching for Frank was that the experience transformed his whole life.

Sitting in his home in Telford, he recounted his experience with great joy. “*My experience at the Healing School was beautiful. Not only was my left ear healed, my life was also transformed. The Healing School stands out as a very rich and life-changing experience. Many people quote the Word of God, but at the Healing School, we experienced the Word.*” Then, he concluded with conviction, “*If you’re sick, seek the Lord by going to the Healing School.*”

Frank Davies and his lovely wife are preaching and teaching the Word of faith. Their ministry is helping many to know the Lord and receive the Holy Spirit.



BY HIS STRIPES YOU ARE HEALED

3

JESUS HAS DONE IT ALL...

“Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:4-5).

This is such a beautiful Scripture and it’s about Jesus, the Lamb of God who was slain from the foundation of the world. Jesus did so much for us when He was crucified. No, He wasn’t crucified for Himself. Some people think He was a great martyr, but that’s not true either. He wasn’t a martyr; He was a sacrifice, and there’s a great difference between the two.

A sacrifice dies on behalf of another, while a martyr dies for his beliefs. Jesus didn’t die for His beliefs; He died for us. Notice the

Bible says, **“He was wounded for our transgressions,”** not for His convictions.

It’s so important for us to know that Jesus Christ is the Son of God in truth. As you study the Word to know who Jesus is, you’ll appreciate the Crucifixion and what it means to you. You see, man had become a slave of the devil by obeying satan in the garden of Eden. He became a partaker of satan’s nature, and that’s how sin and sickness came into the world. The Bible says, **“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned”** (Romans 5:12).

God needed somebody who was sinless to redeem the world; He looked throughout the world, but there was none. There was no redeemer. One day, God sent His Word to a virgin woman called Mary, saying, **“Thou shall bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus”** (Luke 1:31).

According to God’s Word, Jesus bore our griefs and carried our sorrows. Why? So we won’t have to bear them anymore! He suffered for us so we won’t have to suffer anymore. This is the gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus said, **“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends”** (John 15:13). What could be greater? Jesus proved His love for us on the Cross.

Glory to the Lord Jesus! How great it is to know we have been delivered from the domain of darkness and have been transferred into the Kingdom of God’s dear Son. Colossians 1:13 says, **“Who hath**

delivered us from the power of darkness and translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son."

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED ON THE CROSS?

Jesus became "sin" for us on the Cross when our sins were laid on Him. He became the brazen serpent John referred to when he said, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:14). That serpent represents sin. Our nature of sin was put on Jesus when He took our iniquities. That was the only way He could die.

Jesus was arrested and accused of so many things, though He committed no evil. He did no wrong at anytime, but they put Him on trial; they beat, bruised, tormented, crushed and sentenced Him to death for an offence He did not commit. But there was more to it than what they saw physically. The Bible says, "he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes, we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5).

As they led Jesus away to Golgotha with the Cross on His shoulders, there on that Cross was your pain, your rejection, your grief, your sorrow, and your lack. He carried them all away; and as He

went, your sins went with Him. The people spat on Him as He walked away, but He said, **“Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do”** (Luke 23:34). He did it for us. He became “the scapegoat.” In the Old Testament, the priest confessed the sins of the people on the scapegoat and it was led away into the wilderness by a fit man, as it carried the sins of the people with it. That ritual was symbolic of the sacrifice of the Christ (Leviticus 16:5-22). He took our problems, our disappointments, and our hurts upon Himself.

SICKNESS IS UNNECESSARY!

Jesus took your sickness and gave you health. He took your disappointment and gave you hope. He took your discouragement and gave you courage. He took your grief and in its place gave you peace. Your sorrows were borne away by Jesus, and He gave you joy!

If you believe in Jesus but have been living in lack, debt, sickness or failure, God wants you to get up and out of the rut. His desire is that you prosper and live in health as your soul prospers (3 John 1:2). He wants you to discover all He did for you through His death on the Cross and begin to appropriate them to yourself. Then you’ll start walking in the blessing: health, success, abundance, and prosperity.

God loves you. He gave His Son Jesus on the Cross as proof of His love for you. If you were the only one on earth that needed redemption, He would still have sent Jesus to die for you. He wants you to know that

healing and divine health are part of the salvation that was wrought for you on the Cross.

There's no sickness you're suffering today that you're supposed to suffer. There's no disease in your life today that you're supposed to have. God anointed Jesus of Nazareth for you. When He walked the face of this earth, the Bible says He went about doing good and healing the oppressed of the devil (Acts 10:38). He was manifested to destroy the works of the devil for you (1 John 3: 8). The devil has been defeated; his works have been paralyzed and the victory is yours, Hallelujah!

Walk in the light of your victory today. Walk free of sickness, disease, and infirmity. The Lord Jesus Christ has done everything necessary to bring you out of any and every predicament. You don't have to do anything to qualify for God's blessing. Jesus did everything that was required for you. He was made poor for you; He suffered great shame and excruciating pain at the hand of the Roman soldiers, and died a sinner's death on the Cross of Calvary for you.

On that Cross, both God and man crucified Jesus. The Bible says, **"Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand"** (Isaiah 53:10). Every manner of sickness was placed on His body. He suffered all that for your sake, so that you may live in righteousness and health.

No matter what you may be going through right now, whether

in your body, or your family, or your marriage, or at work, or even with your children, I've got good news for you: it's time to enter into God's rest.

Jesus settled it all! 1 Peter 2:24 declares that **"his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."** He made you well over 2,000 years ago when He suffered on the Cross. He took those death-dealing blows for your sake. Refuse to consider your circumstances; rest from your struggles. Jesus has already done it all!

A BEAUTIFUL NEW BEGINNING

4

Twenty-three-year-old Kuthula Gasu had never known what it meant to be well. She had barely begun to live when her parents discovered there was something terribly wrong with her. When she was just about ten months old, her mum observed that she perspired a lot on her limbs and was unusually puffy. When these symptoms continued unabated, she decided to take her to the hospital. However, after series of medical tests, the doctors were



KUTHULA GASU

confounded as they couldn't place their finger on what the problem was.

For the next eighteen years, Kuthula would be taken from one hospital to another, just to determine what this strange illness was. Her life became an endless barrage of medical tests, medications and treatments. She was constantly in pain, but no doctor could decipher what her problem was; it simply defied their intelligence. However, when she turned 19, after one of her usual tests, the doctor discovered that she had been suffering from chronic kidney stones.

Kidney stones are hard lumps produced by the concretion of mineral salts in the kidneys, which cause severe abdominal pains. In some instances, they're accompanied by nausea and vomiting. "*The stones can be removed by an operation,*" the doctors explained. "*They can actually be gotten rid of completely.*"

However, this was not to be. For the next five years, Kuthula battled with this condition. Operation after operation and still the doctors were never able to completely remove the stones. After each operation, the stones would always recur. In one year alone, Kuthula would have seven grueling operations.

Kuthula's condition baffled the doctors as they found nothing wrong with her blood. They just couldn't understand why the stones kept recurring. They restricted her diet and gave her loads of medications, but her condition only worsened. Kuthula could no longer stand for long hours and had great difficulty walking. She

also could not sleep on her sides, due to the pangs of pain that she suffered. She also experienced excruciating headaches and got tired easily.

Sometime during this period, Kuthula got married. But every day, she stood and watched helplessly as her marriage crumbled. Her husband could not understand why she was ill so frequently. It was too much for him to comprehend an infirmity that had a cure, but defied recognized medical solutions. Unable to bear the pressures, they eventually separated.

Against all odds, Kuthula gained admission into the University, but she found it impossible to cope with the rigours of education. This hurt her greatly because she was given a special education bursary for her tuition fees, but she had to forfeit it due to her ill health. Kuthula was to experience more pain when she was relieved of her duties at work. Like her husband, they could not understand her persistent ill health.

In October 2006, Kuthula had to have another operation. Her health had deteriorated so badly, she didn't know what else to do. To her amazement, the doctors removed a total of 25 stones. She was glad because she reasoned that this had to be the end of her suffering. However, barely a few months later, the doctors found that a stone was stuck on the stent they had placed in her body to help support her internal organs. They promptly performed an operation and had the infected tube removed. Again, as Kuthula was wheeled into the

theatre, she harboured hopes that this would be the last time.

Sadly however, shortly afterwards, the doctors found that more stones had recurred. They were too perplexed to find the words to tell Kuthula. But after much persistence, one of them eventually broke the news to her. It was at this point that Kuthula said to herself, “No more!”

She was billed for another operation a few weeks afterwards, but she made up her mind she wasn't going to have it. She was tired. All her life, she had listened to what the doctors said, had all the operations, taken all the drugs, and literally lived by their word. But nothing changed. Instead, she got worse year after year. The medications not only failed to help, but her health steadily declined as she took them.

When Kuthula heard about the Healing School, she knew she had found the answer. Without any hesitation she made enquiries about the next session and



promptly made plans to attend. At this time, Kuthula could no longer walk unaided; she was brought to the Healing School on a stretcher.

When the healing service began, Kuthula felt the power and love of God so strongly; her faith for her healing became strengthened.

A short while afterwards, Pastor Chris walked into the hall. Kuthula was excited because she knew the story of her life was about to



change. Then the man of God walked up to where she was and looked at her with great compassion. He stretched forth his hands over her without uttering a word. Suddenly, Kuthula felt the power of God surge through her

entire being.

In the next few minutes, Kuthula vibrated with great intensity under the power of God. The anointing on her was so strong, she slid off the stretcher! Then Pastor Chris took her by the hand and, without the slightest difficulty, she stood up straight. Kuthula was beside herself with joy! Just one moment with God had taken away a lifelong condition of pain. Unabashedly and full of thanksgiving, Kuthula raced across the hall with hands held high.



About a month afterwards, a radiant and

excited Kuthula came to the Healing School to testify before many others who had come to be healed. Bubbling over with excitement, she recounted her experience when the man of God ministered to her: *“For the first time in my life, I knew what it meant to be happy. It was such an awesome feeling to be finally free. It was so beautiful; it felt better than my wedding day! Now, I know what it means to live a normal life, a life without pains and sorrow. I don’t even know how to explain pain anymore,”* she continued with laughter in her voice. *“It is no longer in my vocabulary!”*

With increasing excitement, she went on to testify of the impact it had on others when they heard and saw the amazing transformation in her life: *“Many people who knew me when I was ill have come to comprehend how important God is in our daily lives, and His awesome love for humanity. My mum has changed her greeting expressions from ‘hello’ or ‘hi’ to ‘God works; I have seen Him in my daughter!’ It’s*



just been awesome!” Then, she added, “My husband also repented and received Jesus as His Lord and Saviour!”

Today, Kuthula is not only healthy but lives in divine health, because at the Healing School, she received the greatest miracle of all—salvation in Christ Jesus. So not only was she miraculously healed, God gave her a beautiful new beginning.

YOU ARE GOD’S CHILD!

THE CHILDREN'S BREAD

5

“Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But He answered and said, It is not meet to take the children’s bread, and cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole that very hour” (Matthew 15:25-28).

Jesus had gone to a house at the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and did not want anyone to know where He was. But the Bible says He could not be hid, for a certain woman, whose daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of Him and came to Him asking for help.

She wanted Him to cast out the evil spirit from her daughter. Seeing that she was not a Jew, Jesus said, “*It is not right to take the children’s bread,*

and cast it to dogs.” But she would not be deterred and she responded, *“The dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their master’s table.”* Jesus was moved by the woman’s faith, and her daughter was made whole.

God heals because He is good and loves to do good things for His children. In spite of medical help available to us today, there are still so many sicknesses and diseases that are labeled incurable. But there’s a God in heaven who still heals the sick and can meet anyone at the point of his need. Healing is the children’s bread and every believer is a child of God.

IT’S NO LONGER IN YOUR NATURE...

“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

When a person receives Christ and becomes a new creation, he’s not the same person as the one born of his parents. Even though he has the same body, the life in him now is not the one that came from his biological father.

There’s something new and different about you when you’re born again. That’s the reason the Bible says you are peculiar! You’re unique; you’re one of a kind. In 1 Peter 2:9, the Bible says, **“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people...”**

The bottom line of the teaching about the new creation is the fact that the man who's born again has received a new life. In Romans 6:4, the Bible says,

“Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

This term “newness of life” is from a Greek word that means “newness in quality.” It is an expression that describes a different kind of life—one that's different in type and quality from human, animal, or plant life. It doesn't refer to or suggest a renewed life in terms of what was there before being reworked, refurbished or renovated. It's a brand new indestructible life! This is why a new creation cannot be sick. The man who could get sick is dead and in his place is a new man who carries the incorruptible and invincible life of God.

God has ordained us to live the supernatural life naturally. The new creation is hundred percent divine. The very essence of divinity, what is called “Zoë” in Greek, is what you received when you gave your heart to Christ.

The Bible says, **“That which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit”** (John 3:6). Now that you're born of God's Spirit, you have the same life as your heavenly Father. You are no longer ordinary.

When others are cast down, you declare that there's lifting up (Job 22:29), because you operate by the principles of God's Kingdom. Everybody around you may be catching the flu but you're not, because the divine life is at work in you. 1 John 4:4 says, **"Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world."**

THE LIFE OF CHRIST IN YOU

Life in Christ is a super life; it's a daily expression of victorious and triumphant living! You have to understand that when the Bible says old things are passed away, it's talking about the old nature that was subject to sin, defeat, sickness, failure, and death.

You have received a new life and have been made a new creation. When you understand this truth, sickness and failure will not be part of your life anymore. This is because these are all products of the old nature, Adam's fallen nature.

The reason some Christians live in defeat, fear, sin, poverty, sickness, and disease is because they're living in the past. They're still living with the mindset of what they used to be and where they came from. They haven't come into the reality of the new life. They haven't understood that this new life is a super life void of struggles, failure, sickness, and disease. Christianity is a life of dominion. The Bible says in Romans 5:17, **"For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and**

of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.”

God never fails and He hasn't changed. **“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today and forever”** (Hebrews 13:8). He hasn't changed! What He did in Bible days, He's able and willing to do today. Ask Him to help you today. He specializes in doing good things for His children. Healing is your bread!

Maybe you've been sick for very long; maybe you've been confined to a wheel chair and the doctors have given up hope on you. Hey, I've got news for you: God desires above all things that you rise from that sickbed! He desires for those deaf ears to be unstopped today. God wants you healthy and prosperous; refuse to accept anything contrary. Come into agreement with Him so His wish concerning you can be actualized. He has given you divine, perfect health. It's your right.

You reign over sin, sickness, death, and every circumstance of life. God has put His blessing in you; that blessing is a special endowment, a divine elixir that causes you to do well and excel in life. It's a mark of the people of Zion; it differentiates and separates them unto greatness, health, and excellence. Glory to God, you're a new creation in Christ Jesus; you're made for the super life, Hallelujah!

AGATHA'S TRIUMPH OF FAITH

6

The hairbrush was right in front of her, but no matter how she willed her hand to pick it up, she couldn't lift it. Agatha Buys watched her hands with a feeling of hopelessness as they trembled uncontrollably before her. For several minutes, she had attempted to use the hairbrush on her daughter's hair, but found it impossible to get her hands still. She was just forty six years old, but at that moment she felt twice her age, bound by an infirmity that was slowly taking her life away.



AGATHA BUYS

No one could tell her for sure what caused it. Her earliest recollection of having sensed something was wrong with her was one Sunday afternoon in 2001. She was with her family on their usual Sunday afternoon walk, but observed she was struggling to keep up with them. They had paused several times for her, so she could rest a while. However, no matter how many times they stopped, she couldn't shake off the feeling of tiredness that suddenly overwhelmed her. At some point, she could hardly walk anymore. So they immediately ended their walk and headed straight home.

Agatha reasoned that she merely needed to rest, but when she woke up and still felt pains in her legs, she knew something had definitely gone wrong. She only hoped it wasn't anything serious. But her first visit to the hospital filled her heart with fear. The doctors, unable to diagnose the problem, told her she was probably having a problem with her brain. So they advised her to have an operation. For some reason however, they referred her to a neurologist, with hopes that the specialist would have greater insight into the problem. By then Agatha had become really frightened.

After series of tests and examinations, the neurologist diagnosed she was suffering from multiple sclerosis. The news hit her like a ton of bricks. "How?" she tried to say, but her mouth couldn't form the word.

As though reading her mind, the doctor began to explain, "*Multiple sclerosis is a chronic progressive nervous disorder involving the loss of certain*

vital tissues in the bones.” His words sounded distant, for Agatha was lost in thoughts of fear. But the doctor was kind. *“There’s no cure right now but there are series of exercises that I would recommend. I believe they would help slow down the progression of the disease,”* he tried to assure her.

However, Agatha found it impossible to do even the simplest of the exercises. She felt so weak in her legs, she could barely move them. Agatha constantly felt tired and sometimes she would feel so exhausted, she would be unable to stand or walk unaided. On several occasions, she broke her dishes due to the recurrent spasms that coursed through her hands when she attempted to carry things. Fulfilling her responsibilities as a wife and mother became extremely difficult. She had a son and a daughter, but found herself unable to care for them.

She felt depressed whenever she attempted to get the kids ready for the day. She found such tasks too physically exerting. Brushing her daughter’s hair became a heartache. It broke her heart to see her fingers unable to hold her hairbrush. In a short while, the condition took its toll on her emotionally.

Agatha continued in this sad state until one day, a friend told her about the Healing School. Agatha was inspired by the confidence and faith with which her friend spoke of the power of God at work through the man of God, Pastor Chris. Her heart became filled with great hope. She felt within her that if she was ever going to be whole again, it would be by God alone. *“I just knew God would heal me through*

Pastor Chris,” she recalled saying.

When Agatha came into the Healing School, God’s presence there was so tangible, it felt like a great cloud of glory covered the entire place. Then as she saw others with more life threatening conditions confidently expect their healing, her faith for her miracle became strengthened.

When the man of God walked in, it felt like a mighty army from heaven had come in. He carried such a powerful presence, yet his eyes were filled with great compassion. As he approached her, Agatha fixed her gaze on him. At that moment, she felt the anointing of God’s Spirit flow through her body. When the man of God touched her and commanded healing into her body, Agatha knew that she was never going to be the same again.



The climax of Agatha’s encounter with God was when the man of God took her by the hand and motioned her to get up. Without thinking twice, she rose from the wheel chair and stood! Then she continued bending and straightening up, and exercising like it was the most normal thing in the world. Prior to this time, she wouldn’t have dared do anything close to that. Her joy knew



no bounds!

But God wasn't through with her yet. As the man of God continued to guide her through those movements, Agatha felt the anointing of God's Spirit flow

through her body; God was perfecting her healing. For the first time in six years, she felt no pains in her legs. God completely healed her bones and restored her health.



Back at home, Agatha gradually resumed the beautiful life she once knew. *"I don't need a wheelchair anymore,"* she declared with great joy. *"I now do my household chores; I stand and walk freely; I climb the stairs. I have gained my balance; the trembling is gone and I now sleep without pains or stiffness. I do many things that surprise me now, like cycling at the back of my yard."*

God had wrought a great miracle in Agatha's life, and she couldn't thank Him enough.

Particularly touching for Agatha was the fact that her healing also drew her family closer to God. *"They can't stop thanking God for me"*, she said.

God not only transformed her life, He touched her family in a special way that would always remain with them. Truly, God is love and He specializes in doing good things for His children.



Today, Agatha is a picture of divine health, and she continues to be grateful for all that God has done for her.

POWER IN THE NAME OF JESUS

7

THERE'S POWER IN THAT NAME!

“Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour; 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 alms of them that entered into the temple; who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms; and Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, look on us; and he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them; then Peter said, silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk” (Acts 3:1-6).

This scripture shows us there’s tremendous power in the Name of Jesus. Peter knew and understood the power in the Name of Jesus.

He knew what that Name could accomplish, and he knew how to use it. He said to the lame man at the gate: "...such as I have give I thee: **In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.**" Peter knew he had something!

Do you know you have something? If you're born again, the Name of Jesus has been given to you to use for your life and for the good of others. You can use that Name over your body, your children, your home, or your business. If you have an infirmity in your body, you can use the Name of Jesus against that sickness and ask it to get out of your body, and it will.

USING THE NAME OF JESUS

"Verily, verily, I say unto you He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name I will do it" (John 14:12-14).

Many people have erroneously believed that Jesus was referring to prayer in this scripture, but He wasn't. He was talking about making demands in His Name. He was saying that if you make a demand in His Name, He'll see to it that it's done, Hallelujah! He wants you to know that the power of God will back you up when you make that

demand. What glorious news!

Understand this: In John 16:23, Jesus taught us how to pray, but here in John 14:14, He is showing us how to make demands in His Name, and they are two entirely different things.

We have been authorized to reign and rule in life (Romans 5:17). We are kings and priests (Revelations 5:10), and when we address situations in the Name of Jesus, we have the guarantee that He would back up that demand with power!

So you can tell that growth, “In the Name of Jesus, I demand that you leave my body,” and it’s got to go! You can tell that sickness that has been threatening your child, “Sickness, in the Name of Jesus, I command you to turn my child loose,” and the sickness has to leave! This is exactly what Peter did to the cripple at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. He said to the man, **“In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.”** He demanded that the man get up and walk, and he did.

The Bible says that Peter **“...took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength”** (Acts 3:7). Later, Peter testified that his faith in the Name of Jesus made the man strong.

So we can make demands in the Name of Jesus. Too many of God’s children suffer needlessly, when they can make demands on their bodies. You can and should make demands of your physical body. If you have been troubled by sickness and disease, you should command

your body to become well in the Name of Jesus!

I remember ministering to a lady who had a tumor in her body. I asked her to put her hand over it and I pointed at it and commanded it to leave in the Name of Jesus. As I said that, it moved around in her body. So I spoke to it again and said, “In the Name of Jesus, you’re not allowed to move around in her. Come out!” It disappeared immediately.

On another occasion, I ministered to a man with a large growth sticking out of his back. The growth was larger than an egg, and I laid my hand on it and commanded it to go in the Name of Jesus. The growth went in and came out again; I actually felt it move. As I spoke to it again in the Name of Jesus, I pushed at it and it disappeared. In actual fact, the spot where the growth had previously been became flat!

These are examples of how to use the Name of Jesus. You can use His Name to correct negative situations and circumstances in your life and in your body. You don’t have to accept the status quo. Take advantage of the awesome power that is vested in the Name of Jesus. Exercise the authority He has given you, and begin today to make demands in His Name.

THESE SIGNS SHALL FOLLOW YOU

The Bible says,

“And He said unto them, go ye into all the world, and

preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover” (Mark 16:15-18).

Jesus has laid out the credentials by which the world will know those who belong to Him. He did not say these signs should follow the evangelist or the apostle; He said the signs shall follow “them that believe.” Everyone who believes in Jesus is qualified to have these signs follow him. Jesus isn’t promising us that we will cast out devils and heal the sick. No, He’s showing us our divine credentials!

Now, if you’re qualified to lay your hands on sick folks and have them recover, how about your own body? If another person’s body will respond to your words, then of course your body will hear you too! You can talk to your body; you can make a demand of healing on your body, in the Name of Jesus, and expect to see a change.

God wants us to know the exceeding greatness of His power towards us who believe (**Ephesians 1:19**). This power that is directed towards us is the same power He demonstrated in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly realms. When God directed His power towards Jesus to raise Him up from the dead, we were in Him; so we were raised up together with Christ on that great resurrection morning.

Now, we're seated together with Him to reign in this life! We ought not allow ourselves be subject to sickness and infirmity anymore; we have the right to use the Name of Jesus to reign over them!

YOU HAVE ALL POWER!

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

Jesus gave us "power" over all the power of the enemy. The word translated "power" here is from the Greek "Exousia," which means "authority" or "delegated power." We have delegated power over all the ability of the enemy. It doesn't matter how the devil tries or through what means he tries to work; we have authority in the Name of Jesus over all of his power, and there's nothing he can do about it.

The Name of Jesus has power over every disease that the enemy may try to put on you. No matter what the disease is called, the Name of Jesus is greater and more powerful! God raised the Name "Jesus" far above every name. The Bible says, **"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth" (Philippians 2:9-10).**

Cancer is a name. Malaria is a name. HIV is a name. Arthritis is a name. Whatever has a name is subject to the Name of Jesus and as

such, is subject to our authority as we use His Name. Thank God for that! If there's any sickness or disease troubling your body today, I want you to know that you have sufficient power to deal with it in the Name of Jesus.

Sometime in 1985, I was preaching and suddenly began to have some discomfort in my eyes. It felt like a tiny stone was in my eye and I kept rubbing it, thinking it would go away. Within twenty-four hours one of my eyes was red and swollen, and to my utmost surprise I was told I had conjunctivitis, a very contagious eye disease.

I hadn't known about it prior to this time and I thought to myself, *I could have done something about it if I had known what it was all the time I was rubbing it, thinking it was a stone.* I cursed it to die from its roots and pass out of my body, and it cleared up in two days.

Well, the following year, it was "conjunctivitis season" again, and many around me were afflicted with it. But I said, "In the Name of Jesus, I will not contract it this time around." No matter how many afflicted people I came in contact with, I kept saying that I would not have it. Praise God, it's been over twenty years since then, and I've never had it again and I never will! I used my authority in the Name of Jesus to drive it out of my life and kept it out!

There is power in the Name of Jesus. His Name gives us absolute mastery over the devil, and over all sickness and infirmity. What God's people need is to understand the power behind the Name and how to apply it. You can begin today to make demands in the Name of Jesus.

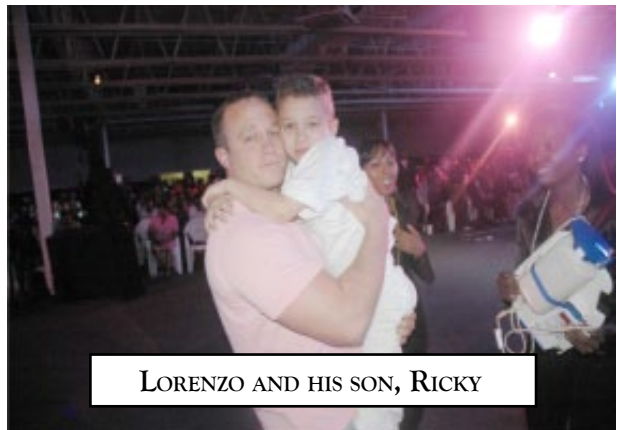
Talk to your body and tell it how you want it to function; it will comply! Remember that Jesus spoke to a tree, to the winds and the waves, even to corpses, proving that everything God made has intelligence. Your body and the circumstances around you have intelligence, so speak to them today in the Name of Jesus!

The truth is many sicknesses that people suffer from are caused by demons. If you've been suffering from a condition that has defied medical science, refuse to let it linger. You can and ought to cast that devil out in the Name of Jesus. Remember, **"...these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover"** (Mark 16:17-18).

CANCER DISAPPEARS BY THE POWER OF GOD!

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Lorenzo had earlier observed the slight protrusion on his son's stomach, but he didn't think it was anything serious. Sometimes when Ricky got constipated, his stomach became distended, which was probably why it looked the way it did.



LORENZO AND HIS SON, RICKY

However, a few days later, Lorenzo became quite concerned. Not only was the swelling still present, his son could no longer hold his head up. His head was slanted in an awkward way, and he appeared to be in severe pain. Frantic and in despair, Lorenzo rushed him to the hospital.

Ricky's diagnosis was not good. Upon medical examination, the doctors found a tumour lodged in his stomach that weighed about one kilogram. They went on to explain that Ricky was suffering from a rare type of cancer known as neuroblastoma. Lorenzo's chest pounded with fear. *How could that little swelling on his son's stomach be a cancer?* he wondered.

"Presently," the doctor continued, "the cancer has spread to his skull, spinal cord, bone marrow and pelvis. We have to begin treatment immediately to try to contain the spreading. Your son has only a 25% chance of survival."

"This was the worst news I had ever gotten in my life," Lorenzo would later recall.

Ricky immediately began chemotherapy sessions. These however worsened rather than ameliorate his condition. The intensity of the treatments damaged his salivary glands and resulted in the loss of his sense of taste.

Consequently, Ricky lost all appetite for food and no longer wanted to eat anything. This situation threw Lorenzo into greater despair. His son was not only sick, but was fast becoming undernourished. In



desperate need for a solution, the doctors prescribed a feeding pump machine through which a special nutritional diet would be pumped into his gastrointestinal stream. The machine had tubes, which were inserted into his stomach through his nostrils.

Many times, after the chemotherapy sessions, Ricky would throw up, and the tubes would dislodge from his throat. Whenever this happened, it was difficult to get them back into place. On several occasions, they would miss the passage from his nostrils into his throat, and Ricky would throw up violently. These episodes were particularly heart-wrenching for Lorenzo.

Inevitably, Ricky's condition began to take its toll on Lorenzo. Sometimes, he felt like heavy weights had been placed permanently on him. *"My whole life is now centered on this cancer. Whether I'm sleeping, eating, or working, all I'm thinking about is this cancer and hoping that my son will not die,"* he lamented.

When Lorenzo heard about the Healing School, he knew he had found the answer. Without any hesitation, he acquired information on the next session of the Healing School, which was scheduled to hold in Johannesburg, South Africa. They lived in Holland, but the distance didn't deter him. Lorenzo was convinced his son would be healed.

At the Healing School, Ricky sat still in his father's arms as they waited for the moment the service would begin. While seated in the large auditorium, with several others that had journeyed from other

parts of the world, Lorenzo felt the warm embrace of God's love in a way he had never known before.

A short while after the service began, the choir led the congregation in worship, and Lorenzo poured out his heart to God. Then Pastor Chris walked into the hall, and as he ministered to each person on the healing



line, Lorenzo's faith for his son's healing became strengthened. Some minutes afterward, the man of God stood right in front of Lorenzo as he sat holding Ricky on his laps.

The man of God instructed little Ricky to fix his gaze on him. Then he laid his hands on Ricky's chest and blew the anointing on his face. At that moment, he declared, "*He is healed!*" Instantly, Ricky jumped off his father's laps and bolted across the hall! With tears of joy streaming down his face, Lorenzo swept his son into his arms and praised God for the miracle.

"It felt as though a locker was opened within me and the bad spirits flew out of my body," Ricky would tell his father afterwards.

Six months later, back at home,



equipment (the feeding tubes) away! God had completely made Ricky whole. Truly, anything is possible if only you can believe (Matthew 19:26).

Ricky played with his friends without a care in the world. He ate normally without the aid or support of the feeding machine. And he could eat anything he wanted.

Still filled with great joy and excitement, Lorenzo testified, *“He’s a different boy! He’s doing everything and eating everything! Now I can throw this*



Ricky playing with a friend, a picture of perfect health

“NOW FAITH IS...”

THE GOD-KIND OF FAITH

9

“And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea: and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith” (Mark 11:22).

These are some of the most profound words voiced by the Master. A good marginal reference Bible shows that Jesus actually said, “Have the faith of God.” In other words, “Have the God-kind of faith.” These words from the lips of the Master reveal to us that there are different kinds of faith. But the disciples were counselled to have the God-kind of faith.

The Bible tells us in Hebrews 11:1 that “**Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.**” I like to define faith as the evidence of unseen realities. Faith gives you the reason to

affirm that what you hoped for is yours before you see it with your physical eyes. It is the proof of the existence of something that is not tangible to the physical senses.

Faith is not in the realm of the senses; it transcends the realm of reasoning and the mind. It's a spiritual force, an attribute of the human spirit. That's why I define faith as the response of the human spirit to the Word of God. Faith is not an irrational leap in the dark, but a leap on God's Word. It is believing what God's Word has said concerning anything and acting that way, regardless of any contrary evidence around you.

TWO KINDS OF FAITH

In a general sense, there are two kinds of faith. First, there is "the God-kind of faith" as revealed in Mark 11:26.

Then there is "the human kind of faith."

The human-kind of faith is based on knowledge or information obtained from the senses. This type of faith calls real only those things that can be seen or touched physically. It doesn't produce any result; it gives you nothing. It's not true faith, because faith is the evidence of things not seen or perceived by the senses.

A good illustration of someone who operated in this kind of faith was Thomas, one of Jesus' disciples. When he heard that the

Master had risen from the dead, he said, **“Except I see...I will not believe!”** (John 20:25). Shortly afterwards, when Jesus showed up, He rebuked him saying, **“be not FAITHLESS, but believing...”** (John 20:27). In other words, Thomas was actually faithless! So those who say seeing is believing are faithless according to the Scriptures. The human-kind of faith is no faith at all. It is zero-faith. I like to call it *“the Thomas-kind of faith.”*

Jesus went on to declare to Thomas, **“Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed”** (John 20:29). The blessed person is the one who believes before seeing.

YOU HAVE FAITH!

When you were born again, you received the measure of faith. The Bible says in Romans 12:3, **“...according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.”** This means that every believer received the same measure of faith at salvation. However, that deposit of faith is not enough for everything; God expects you to grow it. It’s your responsibility to grow your faith strong.

In all the epistles, which are actually the revelation of the new creation, the Holy Spirit never expressly instructs the Christian to have faith in God. The reason is simple: to the Christian, faith is a lifestyle, for **“the just shall live by faith”** (Hebrews 10:38). It is the New Testament principle for the believer. The believer is never told

to have faith in God, because our very life is by faith. In other words, we already have the measure of the God-kind of faith.

GROW YOUR FAITH

The Bible shows us that **“faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God”** (Romans 10:17). The more of God’s Word you store in your heart, the bigger your faith becomes. The less of God’s Word you receive in your spirit, the less faith you’ll be able to express when you’re faced with challenges.

There’s no shortcut to growing your faith; feeding on God’s Word is the only sure way. Hence, it’s important that you cultivate the habit of consistently listening to, studying, and meditating on the Word of God.

If you’re having problems in your health, or you’re in a situation that seems hopeless, get to the Word! Become a student of the Word; diligently search and study the scriptures that apply to your peculiar situation. The Bible shows us in Hosea 4:6 that many of God’s children are destroyed and brought down because of the lack of knowledge of God’s Word.

Therefore, inundate your spirit and bombard your mind with God’s Word. Your faith will soar and you will be better equipped to unleash it against any obstacle and contrary circumstance in your life.

In 1 Timothy 4:15, the Bible says, **“Meditate on these things,**

give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all." Keep meditating on God's Word until it takes charge of your mind, such that all you think and know is what the Word says. Do it until you become fully persuaded that nothing and no one can stop you from enjoying God's best for you.

The Bible tells us that Abraham meditated on God's promise so much until he became "fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform" (Romans 4:21). Abraham became fully persuaded (convinced), because he kept his thoughts fixed on God's promise; he refused to consider all other contrary thoughts. As you keep feeding your spirit with God's Word, your faith will grow and cause you to stand strong in the face of life's greatest challenges.

THE GOD-KIND OF FAITH

It's important to observe that the Lord counsels us in Mark 11:23 to have the God-kind of faith. This means that we can and should function with God's kind of faith. In the previous verses, Jesus had spoken to a fig tree He found no fruit on, saying, **"no man eat fruit of thee hereafter forever..."** The Bible says in the same verse that **"his disciples heard it"** (Mark 11:14).

The next day, they passed by the same fig tree and the disciples noticed that the tree had withered and died from its root: **"And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold the fig**

tree which thou curseth is withered away. And Jesus saith unto them, have faith in God” (Mark 11:21-22). As pointed out earlier, Jesus actually said, “Have the God-kind of faith.”

Then He said, “For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith” (Mark 11:23).

Jesus was telling them, “You can talk to the mountain.” He was saying in essence: what you say is what you get.

The God-kind of faith speaks to the mountain and it obeys. When you operate in this kind of faith, you speak words and have them established unto you. You are confident that the word you speak will come to pass. If everyone who had a cancer knew this, it would make a whole world of difference for them. Before you think of surgery, think about this. It shows that your life is right in your hands. So don't cry to God, telling Him to take the sickness away from you; tell the sickness to go! That's the God-kind of faith.

COPY GOD

The Bible shows us a powerful demonstration of this kind of faith in Genesis chapter one. The earth was without form and void; it was a chaotic mass (Genesis 1:2a). Then the Spirit of God began to

incubate upon the situation; **“He moved upon the face of the waters”** (Genesis 1:2b). And God started speaking; He said, **“Let there be light ...”** (Genesis 1:3). God literally spoke all of creation into being (Genesis 1:1-27). This is how the God-kind of faith works.

The Christian has a high calling. We’re in the same class with God; we have the capacity to function at His level. We can handle situations just the way He would, and get His kind of results. The God-kind of faith can change anything. It doesn’t recognize impossibilities.

So learn to copy God (Ephesians 5:1). Embrace His Word concerning that situation and boldly declare it. Keep the Word in your mouth and watch it produce supernatural results in your life!

Even if you’ve declared the Word over a particular situation and everything appears the same, don’t accept what you see with your physical eyes. Believe what God says and keep talking it! That’s the God-kind of faith.

A DATE WITH DESTINY

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Within every man is the desire to make a mark in his world, that deep-rooted longing to be relevant and to let the world know that he came. This desire is a reflection of the truth that every human person was made by God and was born for a reason.



When Bruno Mabilia completed his diploma programme in marketing, he had the next few years of his life carefully mapped out. He was going to help organizations develop their marketing strategies through research and study. Focused and determined, he started out as a marketer in a telemarketing company with the responsibility to

increase and encourage the company's clientele.

Originally from Brazzaville, Congo, Bruno had travelled to South Africa in 1996 to study. However, after obtaining his diploma, he chose to reside in South Africa with his aunt. In 2006, one Saturday evening at about 7p.m, something strange happened. Bruno had the urge to relieve himself but found that he couldn't. Presuming his bladder wasn't full, he left the toilet and went to bed a short while later. However, sometime in the middle of the night, he had an overwhelming urge to relieve himself again. This time his bladder felt so heavy, but no matter how hard he tried, no urine flowed out of him.

Now, tremors of fear began to course through his body. He had never experienced anything like that in his life and was at a loss for what to make of the situation. Hoping that by morning everything would return to normal, Bruno decided to return to sleep. However, for the rest of that night, he suffered excruciating pains and a distressing heaviness in his abdominal region. "*I never knew such pain existed,*" he recalled. The pains kept him awake all night.

The next morning, his aunt immediately called their family doctor who examined him and referred him to a surgeon in the hospital where he worked. The surgeon attempted to force a discharge, but it didn't work. Bruno's bladder remained heavy. Finally, he inserted a tube into his kidney through his stomach and everything that had been retained flowed out into a bag that was attached to his legs. The relief that followed proved to be short-lived for Bruno. Indeed, this was the

beginning of his sufferings. For the next four months, Bruno had this tube protruding from his side. His life suddenly came to a halt, with all his dreams rudely shoved aside.

Unable to do any more for Bruno, the surgeon referred him to an urologist. After series of specialized tests, the urologist found that he suffered from kidney stones and that one of the extremely large stones had lodged at the top of his right kidney. This was the reason for the abnormal functioning of his system. The large stone had caused an obstruction in his ureter, and produced a liver dysfunction.

Realizing the delicacy of Bruno's condition, the urologist referred him to a more specialized hospital for an operation that will remove the stones. However, they were unable to remove every stone, particularly the large stone that caused the obstruction.

In 2007, Bruno had four more operations during which the doctors successfully removed the stones including the large one. They were so convinced of their efforts that they removed the tube that had been inserted in his side. However, barely two months afterwards, Bruno began to feel the same excruciating pains. Immediately, he went to the doctors for a scan, and they found that there was still a blockage. Right there, they inserted the tube again. This time, however, it was inserted through his lower back region. The reason for this, they explained, was that it would help to repair his kidneys.

Due to the liver dysfunction he also suffered, Bruno experienced sudden pains, fevers and discomfort in his abdomen. Sometimes, the

pains would be so intense, he would be unable to stand, sit, or do anything for himself. He had to rely on medications and painkillers to ease the pains.

In addition, Bruno had to be admitted every three months to clean out the tube, in order to avoid any blockage. On occasions where he omitted to do so, Bruno found it impossible to sleep at night due to the excruciating pains. He also had to change the bag where the waste flowed into every single week. In addition, he had to change the dressing around the area where the tube had been inserted every two days to prevent infection.



Taking his bath was a battle, as he could not afford to wet that area. He also could not bend or engage in simple daily activities, due to the fear that the tube may dislodge. If this happened, he would require an operation to put it back in place.

For a period of one year, Bruno could only sleep on his stomach to prevent the tube from pulling out. His life had become a sad story.

Bruno was scheduled for another operation in July 2008. But earlier that year, while watching television, he came across a channel where he saw Pastor Chris teach the Word of God. *“I was so impacted by the*



words I heard,” Bruno said. Then, a few days afterwards, an aunt of his came over to see him and asked, “Don’t you want to remove this tube? Pastor Chris is around!”

Brought up in a Christian home, Bruno knew God was definitely stepping into his

situation and orchestrating these new circumstances. He had always known God would bring him out of this trouble. So he immediately obliged when his aunt told him, “Meet me at the Healing School.”

At the Healing School, Bruno experienced the Word and the love of God, and he



was convinced the time for his healing had come.

While Bruno stood in the healing line, Pastor Chris approached him and laid his hands on his stomach. Immediately, Bruno bent forward as

though he had been hit by a mighty force. *“I felt the power of God go right inside my body,”* he would later testify. Right there, he fell under the power of God and continued to vibrate on the ground. A few minutes later, he got up and jumped around, completely healed by the power of God! That night, Bruno slept without a care in the world.

After he left the Healing School, Bruno went for the operation he was scheduled to have, and to the amazement of the doctors, they found no obstruction whatsoever in his kidneys! The next day, the doctors removed the tube and discharged him from the hospital. From that day till now, Bruno has not experienced any pain nor taken any medication. The operation scars at his side now bear witness to the glorious testimony of God’s love and power in his life.

Six months later, exuberant and full of divine energy, Bruno testified, *“That day was the best day of my life! The moment I stood up, I knew I had received my healing. And for the first time in over one year, I could bend and jump.”*

Today, Bruno is a picture of divine health. Now actively involved in the work of the ministry, he declared with thanksgiving, *“I am a new Bruno now!”* With his destiny now in God, and his hopes revived, Bruno plans to pursue his dreams in marketing in a greater way than he had several years ago.

Truly, God is able to do infinitely more than all we can ask or imagine according to His power that is at work in us. To him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever! Amen (Ephesians 3:20-21 ISV).

THE AUDACITY OF FAITH

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BEYOND THE SENSES

Faith is what gives substance to what you hope for (Hebrews 11:1). It is the evidence or proof of the unseen realities of God's Word. The Word says by the stripes of Jesus we were healed. Faith is, therefore, accepting what God has said in this regard and living accordingly. It doesn't depend on your feelings, but on God's eternal Word, which is truth.

In Hebrews 11:6, the Bible says, **"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."** And in Romans 10:17, it declares, **"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."** What you really need in your life is the knowledge of God's Word. You don't have to struggle or beg for healing. Through the exercise of your faith in God's Word, you can experience that

healing you have desired for so long in your body.

THE AUDACITY OF FAITH

In taking hold of your healing, you must boldly exercise your faith in God's Word, knowing that everything is subject to His Word. God always loves His kids to boast in Him. You must learn to boast in God through the vocalizing of your faith. When you learn to recognize the greatness and power of God within you, you would never be broken by sickness or disease. This is what the great men of old knew, which made them fearless in the face of adversity.

Study the ministry of Jesus and you'll find that He always spoke with boldness, particularly when He confronted demons and diseases. Jesus was so bold, the people marveled at Him, and demons trembled at His presence.

In Luke 4:36, the Bible says, **"And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out."** This was because Jesus not only knew who He was, He also knew the One who was in Him.

This was the same consciousness that Moses had when He stood before Pharaoh. He was conscious of the presence of God with him and was not afraid (Exodus 5). As much as Pharaoh hated Moses and wanted to do away with him, he couldn't order his death. Moses had the Spirit of dominion.

Goliath was the champion of the Philistines, but David stood before him with such boldness that it got him angry (1 Samuel 17:42). The Bible records that David stood before him with a sling and five smooth stones and declared,

“Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel” (1 Samuel 17:45-46).

Those words enraged Goliath, and when he took one step against David, David ran towards him and let fly with his sling. The shot was a guided missile and it went straight into Goliath’s forehead. And everything happened just as David had said.

This is the kind of boldness and audacity you need in your life. When the devil tries to attack you with sickness, stand against him in the Name of Jesus and declare, “I refuse to be sick! No weapon formed against me shall prosper; therefore, this weapon of sickness has no power over me. I dwell in health and strength, in the mighty Name of Jesus!”

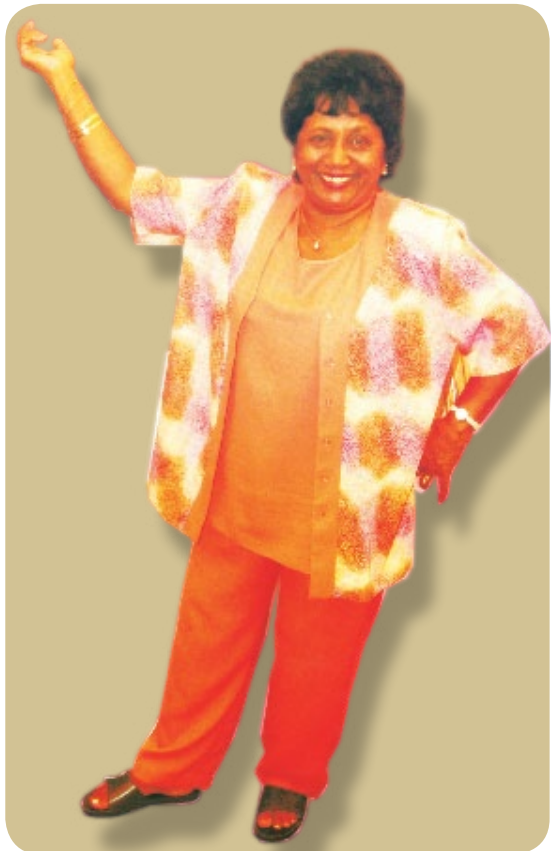
When you consistently act and talk this way, you create a spiritual force field around you that the devil cannot penetrate.

FAITH ALWAYS WORKS!

12

Annah Govender walked briskly through the mall, excited about the purchases she had made. She had spent several hours in the shops already and was now headed home. As she walked past several shops, she couldn't help but look through the large glass windows. There were so many nice things to buy; she wished she could buy everything.

A homemaker with an



outgoing personality, Annah loved every bit about life. When she was not attending a function, participating in her church program or visiting with family members, she tended the plants in her garden—a pastime which she had grown to love.

But sometime in 1982, Annah's beautiful life took an unexpected twist. For reasons she could not explain, she began to experience sharp pains in her neck and back. Not one prone to illnesses, she immediately went to the hospital to find out what was wrong.

After a series of tests, the doctors gave a diagnosis that brought her life to a rude halt. "*You have a condition known as osteoporosis,*" the doctor announced. Several thoughts clashed in Annah's mind at the same time. How could she suddenly be plagued by this strange illness?

"Osteoporosis is the abnormal loss of bony tissue resulting in fragile, porous bones," the doctor continued, wanting to clarify the diagnosis. *"It is usually attributable to a lack of calcium, and it is more common with postmenopausal women."*

Annah was in her late thirties and would not describe herself as "post-menopausal" by any standards.

"Your bones will become progressively weak, so you will need to get good walking shoes. Avoid large crowds and be extra careful while walking on rainy days," came the doctor's verdict.

Annah felt as though a chunk of her life had been sliced off. She loved doing all these and much more.

“*Any fall could result in a fracture,*” the doctor went on to say.

Now, Annah was really afraid. *Any fall could result in a fracture.* She replayed those words in her mind. Her husband had accompanied her to the hospital, but she could not shake off the feeling of fear and uncertainty that had suddenly overwhelmed her.

From that time on, life became unbearable for her. Just as the doctor had said, her bones became progressively weak and brittle. Within a very short while, her whole life had changed. Annah could no longer walk around unaided or perform household chores freely. Going to the shops, attending social engagements and church meetings became things of the past. Tending her garden, which she treasured greatly, became an impossible task due to the constant weakness and pains she experienced.

The doctors had prescribed some medications, which she took every day and night. However, along with the temporary relief they provided, some of them caused other complications in her body. Annah lost her hair and had little appetite for food. The side effects also caused a narrowing of her oesophagus, which made it difficult for her to swallow without getting choked. This situation caused her to suffer frequently from ulcers, and consequently caused her to require more medications. In addition, Annah always had to be on traction in the hospital, sometimes for several days, to relieve the pressure in her bones.

For the next twenty-five years, Annah’s life revolved around the

hospital, medications and the confines of her home. Year after year, she became increasingly dependent on her family members to do everything for her. Her husband, Chris, spent most of his time with her. Her children also refrained from going out most times, and even took time off work to be there for her.

Over time, this situation began to affect Annah emotionally. She felt frustrated for not being able to do anything for herself and for becoming a burden to her family. Constantly overwhelmed by the thoughts of her future, this condition robbed Annah of her peace.

Sometime in 2005, Annah began to feel excruciating pains in her knees. The pains were so intense she could barely move her legs. Upon examination, her doctor found she was suffering from rheumatoid arthritis and told her point-blank that her condition had no cure. *“It continues to deteriorate until the person becomes bedridden,”* the doctor said.

“When I heard this, I became very afraid. I did not want to become crippled,” Annah would say afterwards.

Annah’s condition became so bad at one point that fluids began to flow from her knees. After series of tests, it was discovered that her knees were damaged beyond repair and had to be completely replaced. It was at this point that Annah knew there was nothing the doctors could do to help her. She knew that if she conceded to have her knees replaced, sometime soon, another operation would be required. For twenty five years, she had done everything the doctors

said, but nothing had worked. Annah had also become hypertensive despite her many medications.

Sometime during this period, she came across the Healing School program, “Enter the Healing School” on LoveWorld Christian Network. The program inspired so much faith in her and she thought, *These are worse cases than mine and they were all healed. If God could do it for them, He can do it for me too.* Right there, Annah decided to attend the next session of the Healing School, which was scheduled to hold in Johannesburg, South Africa.



At this time, she lived with her family in Durban, a seven-hour journey by road to Johannesburg, but she made up her mind to embark on the journey in spite of the unbearable pains she felt in her legs. *“I knew God would heal me. I just*

needed to be in the right place,” she said.

On the scheduled date, accompanied by her husband, Annah came to the Healing School. From the moment she arrived, Annah felt the presence of God all around her. And when she saw others believing God for a miracle, she momentarily forgot she was there for the same reason. *“I felt so excited; I wanted to encourage everyone,*

and then I prayed to God to heal everyone there,” she said.annah was also touched by the sense of oneness everyone had. Nationalities and backgrounds did not matter here; they were all united in their faith to be healed.



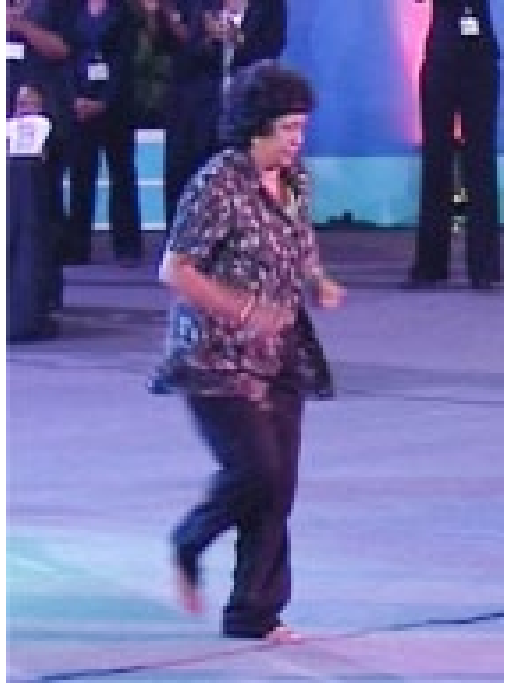
Remarkably,annah’s healing began within her first few days at the Healing School. *“I found I could do certain things with ease. For instance, I could get in and out of bed with no assistance!”*

On the day of the healing service,annah was excited and overwhelmed with joy. She knew she was going to walk out of the healing hall completely healed. When the man of God, Pastor Chris, came into the hall,annah felt a tangible change in the atmosphere. *“I’ll never forget that moment,”* she said afterwards. *“I could literally feel the change in the air.”*

A few moments after he entered the hall, Pastor Chris walked to whereannah was. Perceiving that her condition had been caused by evil spirits, he rebuked them and stretched forth his hand towards her. At that moment,annah felt the power of God go through her body like a wave of electricity. Then the man of God declared, *“She’s free!”*

Right then, knowing she had been healed, Annah got up and began to walk!

Completely amazed at how quickly God had taken away her years of pain, Annah began to cry and laugh at the same time. For the first time in almost thirty years, she was walking freely without pains. A lifetime of sorrow and pain had been swept away within minutes by God's mighty power.



Today, Annah is a testimony of God's goodness and grace. Against the doctor's predictions, her health has blossomed. Now able to do all that she couldn't do before, Annah attends church services, social engagements, and shops without a care in the world. Her children and grandchildren that had never seen her well have continued to express their gratitude to God.

Annah is also now an active member of a women's group near her home where she does dressmaking and handcrafted items. She has also become an ardent soul winner, and with every opportunity, she testifies of her miraculous healing at the Healing School.

FAITH IS THE VICTORY

13

FUNCTION FROM THE PLATFORM OF FAITH

“For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith” (1 John 5:4).

F aith is the victory that overcomes the world! There’s no battle left for any child of God; every battle has been fought and won by Jesus. All He expects today is for us to live in the realm of the finished works by maintaining the victory that He obtained for us through His death, burial and resurrection.

As we consistently take our stand in faith against sickness, disease, poverty, death, and every manipulation of the enemy, we are maintaining our victory in Christ Jesus. You must completely reject anything that hurts or binds because you’ve been delivered from all the oppression of the enemy. Our new life in Christ is a super-life; it’s

a daily expression of victorious and triumphant living!

The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 2:14, **“Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ....”** Notice that it didn’t say we triumph sometimes, but always! Let me tell you, there’s no defeat for the Christian. A true Christian doesn’t fail in life; he’s an all-round success. When you come to that level where faith becomes your conscious lifestyle, you’ll never have cause to despair, nor would you give any more room for despondency in your life. You will stop blaming someone else for whatever problems you’ve been facing, because you’ll discover that you’re responsible for your own destiny.

Nobody can make you poor, sick or subject to the low life of a victim, because you operate daily by faith! Your faith is the victory that overcomes the world and its systems, Hallelujah!

In John 16:33, Jesus said, **“Be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”** Nobody ever talked like Jesus. How on earth could He say He had overcome the world when He hadn’t even gone to the Cross, much less risen from the dead? He spoke these words before His death, burial and resurrection. It must mean that He did something that you and I could do today.

There was nothing in the system of this world that wasn’t subject to Jesus. He exercised dominion over all things. He tamed and overcame the world by speaking words of faith, words full of divine energy! He spoke to trees, fishes, corpses, maimed limbs, deaf ears, blind eyes, demons of darkness, stormy winds and waves...and they all obeyed

Him. He transcended the laws of nature; He was never a victim for one moment! He walked on water, spoke to the wind, and calmed the storm. When He encountered the leprosy, He said, "Be clean," and the leprosy was gone. He defied gravity when He ascended into heaven. He was a world overcomer!

Guess what? We are also like Him. He has given us the power and authority to reign, rule, dominate, and tame the circumstances of life through our faith-filled words! Just like Jesus, the words we speak are spirit and they are life (John 6:63).

THERE'S POWER IN YOUR WORDS

"Likewise, look at the ships: though they are so great and are driven by rough winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the impulse of the helmsman determines. Even so the tongue is a little member, and it can boast of great things. See how much wood or how great a forest a tiny spark can set ablaze!" (James 3: 4-5 Amplified).

Have you ever wondered why many good people suffer, and why so many others go through life with so much hardship? Some Christians have suffered so much and for so long that they have begun to think life is supposed to be that way.

I've been born again for more than 35 years of my life and I've never suffered. Believe me when I tell you that sufferings are unnecessary. If

you have to go through life with the same trouble the unbelievers have, then what did the Lord Jesus die for? It brings God no glory if you're in lack and want or if your body and home are ravaged by sickness.

Of course, I've suffered persecutions, and it's okay to suffer persecutions for the sake of the gospel. But it's not right to be sick, fearful, and poor. That's not persecution; that's satan's oppression! You need to understand that you became the captain of your ship and were responsible for the course of your life from the moment you were born again. You can direct the course of your life and reign over the systems of the world with your tongue! That means your words are not empty. They are potent; they have conquering, overcoming, and prevailing power over devils, adversities, and all negative circumstances of life.

In James 3:4-5, the Bible likened the tongue of a man to the rudder of a ship. Though very small, it controls the great ship in spite of the waves that beat against it, for it is the instrument that directs the course of the ship.

No wonder the Bible says in Proverbs 18:21 that **“Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.”** The power of the tongue is something that many Christians are not quite aware of today. The Bible didn't say that death and life are in the hands of God; it says they're in the power of a very tiny part of the body—the tongue. The tongue may be small in size, but its results are mighty, for it directs the course of your life.

Many of God's children only know how to whine and cry when

they want a change in their lives; they don't realize that the power is in their mouth. God has given you His Word and a tongue to speak according to His will for you. The Lord's will and purposes for us are expressly revealed in His Word. He says, **"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end"** (Jeremiah 29:11). All you need to do now is speak those things into existence and believe that whatever you say would come to pass (Mark 11:23). That's faith!

No matter what you may be facing, speak God's Word and see the changes! You can change anything. It makes no difference whether it's living or non-living. As long as you want it changed, speak to it and change it. Is it a growth in your body? Do you need a job? Does it have to do with your house or car? They all have intelligence and they will hear and obey you.

SPEAK FAITH-FILLED WORDS!

Who you are and where you are today are the results of what you said yesterday. You may say, "No, I didn't plan to be this." Nonetheless, you're what you said many years ago. Whether you're going to live a successful or healthy life and have a good home tomorrow is all up to you (and your words today), not God.

Start using your tongue to your benefit today; start speaking faith-filled words that the world and its systems cannot withstand! As a child

of God, you're not a loser; you've already been declared a victor! The Word of God proclaims that you're more than a conqueror! In 1 John 5:4, the Spirit of God declares that your faith is the conquering power that tames the world.

The world cannot withstand that great power of faith in you. That means you live in victory by speaking faith-filled words. Your faith subdues the world and its systems. You neutralize whatever policy or law was fashioned to work against you in this world by your faith-filled words. Therefore, never brood over any loss or any contrary thing that has happened in your life. The message of faith isn't meant to sympathize with you. By that I mean that faith doesn't look for care; rather, faith cares. Faith doesn't cry out for help; it helps!

It's high time you declared that you're the overcomer that God has called you. You're not a loser but a victor in Christ Jesus, for the greater One lives in you. When you became a child of God by virtue of the new birth, you received the very life and nature of God—eternal life, which is the overcoming life. Now you can live a life of victory all the way!

God has given us a quality of life that is different from what the world has. Though we're in the world, we're not of the world. We're born of the Spirit. God gave us this life through His Son Jesus. The Scriptures tell us, **"And this is the record, that God has given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life"** (1 John 5:11-

12). Now you have to believe in this life that's in you.

“Whosoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and whatsoever is born of God overcomes the world” (1 John 5:4). This means that anything that originates from God overcomes the world; whatever originates from Him is automatically an overcomer! You're born of God, so you're an overcomer! The Word of God has come from God; it originates from Him and that same overcoming Word is in your mouth; it has divine ability when uttered by the lips of faith! Don't think defeat, failure and lack, because you're a child of God. You can do all things through Christ Who gives you strength. He lives in every bone of your body; He's in your blood, bones, skin, even your voice, for His life is in you! Speak faith-filled words, because this is the victory that overcomes the world!

PETER'S LEAP OF FAITH

14

Fifty-five-year-old Peter King drove to the front of the parking lot and heaved a sigh of relief as he spotted the disabled sign inscribed on the ground. Grateful to God for the space, he parked quietly. Then he reached for his walking-stick on the passenger seat and came out of the car with some effort. Not wanting to draw too much attention to himself, Peter made his way straight into the stores.



Resident in Darien, North Ireland, Peter was in his prime when he had an accident in 1999. A fairly large man, he was climbing down the stairs in his home

one day with a huge box when he missed a step. He tumbled down the remaining steps right to the bottom. As his body hit the floor, he heard a sickening sound in his hip region and he knew something had gone very wrong.

At the hospital, after the doctors had carefully examined him, they gave him a report that left him in shock: *“You were born with dysplastic hips. It is a condition of abnormal development of the hip resulting in hip joint instability and potential dislocation of the thigh bone.”*

Peter sought to understand what the doctor was saying. He was forty-eight years old at the time and had never experienced any discomfort in his hips. Now the doctor was telling him he was born with a hip disease.

“It usually occurs early in life,” the doctor continued to explain. *“Over time, the pelvic socket becomes shallow and the thigh bone could come in and out of it at anytime. This constant movement eventually wears out the elastic tissue covering the bones, and consequently the bones begin to rub against each other. In a short while, you may begin to experience intense pains and swelling in your hips due to this condition. Also, your thigh bone may get disengaged from time to time, so you would need to be extra careful while walking.”*

Peter could only stare at the doctor as he wondered what kind of life he would now have.

From that day on, according to the doctor’s prognosis, Peter began experiencing excruciating pains in his legs. He could no longer walk

long distances and had to use a walking-stick to support himself. If he ever had to go far, he drove his car but looked for “disabled” signs in the parking lot so he could get to where he was going without any hassles. He also got a “disabled” sticker for his car, so he could be permitted to park close to the front, for parking lots that did not have provision for disabled people.

Over time, in spite of the medications he was given, Peter’s condition deteriorated. His left leg became shorter than his right leg. Now, he walked with a very obvious limp and experienced great difficulty standing or even sitting for a long while. Peter couldn’t stand or sit for more than forty-five minutes at a stretch. He would have to sit or lie down if he attempted to sit or stand for longer than that.

With hopes that an operation may help, Peter enquired about a hip replacement. The doctors however told him they couldn’t do it until he was sixty five. And even at that, they couldn’t guarantee that his hip bone wouldn’t pop out of its pelvic socket again. Now filled with great despair, Peter wondered if he would ever live a normal life again.



On one occasion, something happened that really caused him to

fear for his life. He was crossing the road with his son when his hip bone suddenly popped out. Peter fell forward awkwardly, but his son grabbed hold of him just in time and helped him across. For a long while, this incident shook Peter because a car was headed right towards him and he could have lost his life had his son not been there.

Peter continued in this sad condition until 2006 when he came across the Healing School program on LoveWorld TV in his home. *“The moment I saw Pastor Chris, I knew he was just extraordinary,”* he recollected. He told his wife who was watching the program with him, *“I just want him to breathe on me; I know I would be healed.”*

In the few weeks that followed, Peter made plans to attend the next session of the Healing School in Johannesburg, South Africa. He made up his mind to travel more than fifteen hours by air



from his home in Darien, Ireland. For him, it was a mighty leap of faith, but he trusted God for a miracle.

At the Healing School, the man of God prayed with compassion for Peter. He took a hold of his hands, and just as Peter had hoped, he blew the anointing on him. And this he did, not just once, but thrice! At that moment, Peter fell under the power of God.

When he got up, he didn't need anyone to tell him he had received



his healing. The first thing he observed was that he could stand without the walking-stick and he felt no pains. Lifting his hands in praise to God, he walked across the hall with renewed energy. It was then he observed that both his legs were now equal in length! His left leg had grown miraculously

and was perfectly the same length with his right leg. Overwhelmed with gratitude to God, Peter lifted up the walking-stick and continued



to walk freely across the hall.

With his life restored and his body completely made whole, Peter has continued to remain grateful for the awesome miracle God wrought in His life. Truly, anything is

possible with God!

STEPS TO RECEIVE YOUR MIRACLE

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YOUR MIRACLE IS HERE!

“Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed” (1 Peter 2:24).

God is not choosing whom to heal and whom not to heal. He’s not choosing to help or bless someone and curse another. He has chosen to bless everyone in Christ. The sacrifice that was paid for the sins of the whole world was the same sacrifice that paid for the healing of the whole world.

So why are many people, including Christians, not living in the reality of their healing? It’s for the very same reasons everyone is not saved: some don’t believe; some others have never heard. However, the important thing to know is that God has made health available to everyone of His children.

The question therefore is this: how do we receive and enjoy all that He has made available to us? How do we receive a miracle without trying to wrestle it out of God as though He hadn't already done it?

You might be in a situation now in your life where all medical hope has failed and you know what you need is a miracle. The doctors may have told you to go home and put your house in order, since you will not recover. I have good news for you: that miracle you require is closer to you than you can imagine!

There are steps you can take to receive that miracle you need, and I want to begin to show you how. Always remember that the problem is not with the Giver (God), but with the receiver. God has already made available everything we would ever need to live happy, healthy lives. He did it two thousand years ago in Christ, so it's up to us now to receive what He has done.

YOU CAN SET THE TIME

"And a certain woman which had an issue of blood twelve years, and had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, when she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind and touched his garment. For she said, if I may touch but His clothes, I shall be whole. And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and

she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague ... But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before Him, and told Him all the truth. And He said unto her, daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague" (Mark 5:25-29, 33-34).

This story is recorded in the Bible for our benefit. By following this woman's example of faith, we would be taking the same definite steps towards receiving our own miracle and we will surely have the same results. In other words, receiving a miracle from God is not a mysterious but a practicable experience. That means you can set the time for your miracle! Isn't that great news?

Let me now show you the steps this woman took to receive her miracle from God.

STEPS OF FAITH:

(I). SHE HEARD AND BELIEVED

This woman had suffered for twelve long years and she was probably resigned to living the life she was faced with. Things began to change when she heard about a certain Jesus of Nazareth, whose reputation had come to her ears. She heard about Him and believed that He had the power to heal her.

The Bible says, **“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God”** (Romans 10:17). This means that you have to hear; this is the first step towards receiving your miracle. Without the necessary information, faith cannot come to you. If you never heard that God loved you and wanted you well, you would go through life believing, like some people, that it was God who put that sickness on you. So the first step is to hear, and then faith can come.

When you listen to the Word of God and believe it, faith will come to you. Faith is something that comes to you at a certain point in time. If you need a miracle, you have to find out what God’s Word says about your situation. If what His Word says is that He is going to do something about your condition, then you can ask Him to do it; but if His Word says that He has already done it, then you don’t need to ask Him to do it anymore; what you must do is receive what has been made available to you.

(II). SHE SAID

Observe what this woman did next. When she heard about Jesus, she said, **“If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole”** (Mark 5:28). If you read Matthew’s account of the same story, it says, **“And behold a woman which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment: For she said within herself...”** (Matthew 9:20-21). Wonderful! She wasn’t

talking to anybody in particular; she was talking to herself. She talked to herself until she convinced herself! I can imagine her pacing the floor in her home and whispering to herself, “I don’t even need Jesus to touch me; if I can just get close enough to touch His clothes, I’m made!”

This is the second principle: voice your faith. Declare you’re going to receive your healing! It doesn’t matter if nobody is interested in listening to you; tell yourself the definite miracle you’ll receive from God. After hearing and believing, the next step is to say it!

(III). SHE ACTED

After hearing, believing, and saying what she desired, the woman with the issue of blood needed to take the next vital step, which was to *act* on what she believed. Let me tell you, everything may not look rosy and cozy, but you must act. Just to make this point clearer to you, I want you to know that this woman faced an uphill task in getting to Jesus, but she overcame her challenges. Her number one challenge was her condition, which obviously did not help her cause at all.

Secondly, Jesus was not a person who could easily be found alone walking the streets! When the woman got to where Jesus was, she saw a large crowd of people pressing against Him from every side.

Thirdly, the Law of Moses specified severe consequences for anyone with an issue of blood who dared to come out in public:

“And if a woman have an issue, and her issue in her flesh be blood, she shall be put apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her shall be unclean until the even ... And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until even ... And if a woman have an issue of blood many days out of the time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as the days of her separation: she shall be unclean” (Leviticus 15:19-25).

Can you imagine this? According to the Law, for those twelve years this woman had the issue of blood, she was branded “unclean.” She was an outcast; nobody was supposed to touch her or anything she had used! Can you now see how difficult it was for her? She had to come out and mingle with the religious crowd in her bid to get to Jesus. According to the Law, she could have been stoned to death if she was discovered. The odds were stacked high against her, because if Jesus was not really anointed, then for touching Him, He would have become unclean. But no, this woman pressed on; she acted! Don’t sit there wishing; get up and do what you believe and have said! Let nothing stop you from pressing on in faith!

(IV). SHE STEPPED INTO HER MIRACLE

The Bible tells us that as soon as the woman touched Jesus' garment, "...straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague" (Mark 5:29). In other words, she felt instant relief! Now, she could have thought to herself, *Let me go home and test the healing to see if it's permanent*, like some people do when they're healed. She felt the power of God go through her and she took her miracle by faith. Whenever you experience the power of God going through your body, accept it and take a hold of your healing by faith! When you do that, the healing becomes yours.

If a word of knowledge is being given and your case is mentioned, don't ask yourself, "Is it for me or someone else?" Step right into it! Begin to praise God for what He has done and start doing whatever you could not do before.

(V). SHE TOLD IT

"And Jesus... turned Him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?... But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before Him, and told Him all the truth. And He said unto her, daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in

peace, and be whole of thy plague" (Mark 5:30,33-34).

The last and most important step is to testify. There are people who want to "test" their miracle before testifying. But you must understand that the only way to keep your miracle is to tell it. Jesus understood this and that's why He was on the dear woman's case to own up; not because He wanted to fish her out and show His power, but to help her keep her miracle! She was trying to sneak away, but Jesus knew that if He let her go, she might lose that healing.

Note what the Bible says the woman did: in the presence of the crowd, she told Him "all the truth"—the whole story! She left no detail out and this is the right attitude to have in keeping your miracle. When you tell others what God did for you, you're giving Him glory and confirming what you have received.

Jesus understood the difference between "being healed" and "being made whole." By telling your testimony, the faith you're exercising restores wholeness to you, which is more than healing. This means that everything you may have lost as a result of your condition is restored to you!

You would recall the story of the ten lepers who received their healing as they obeyed the words of Jesus (Luke 17:12-19). The Bible specifically records that only one of them was made whole because he returned to give thanks to the Lord. Jesus said, "**Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise**

and go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole” (Luke 17:17-19).

In other words, while the others were healed of their leprosy, only the grateful Samaritan had everything he lost in his physical body restored to him. His extremities, which had been eaten away by the leprosy, were instantly restored, while the others only got cleansed.

I encourage you today to put these steps into operation, and set the time for receiving your own miracle.



The man of God, Pastor Chris
at the Healing School



Visitors arriving at the healing school.



Visitors on excursion to the healing school.



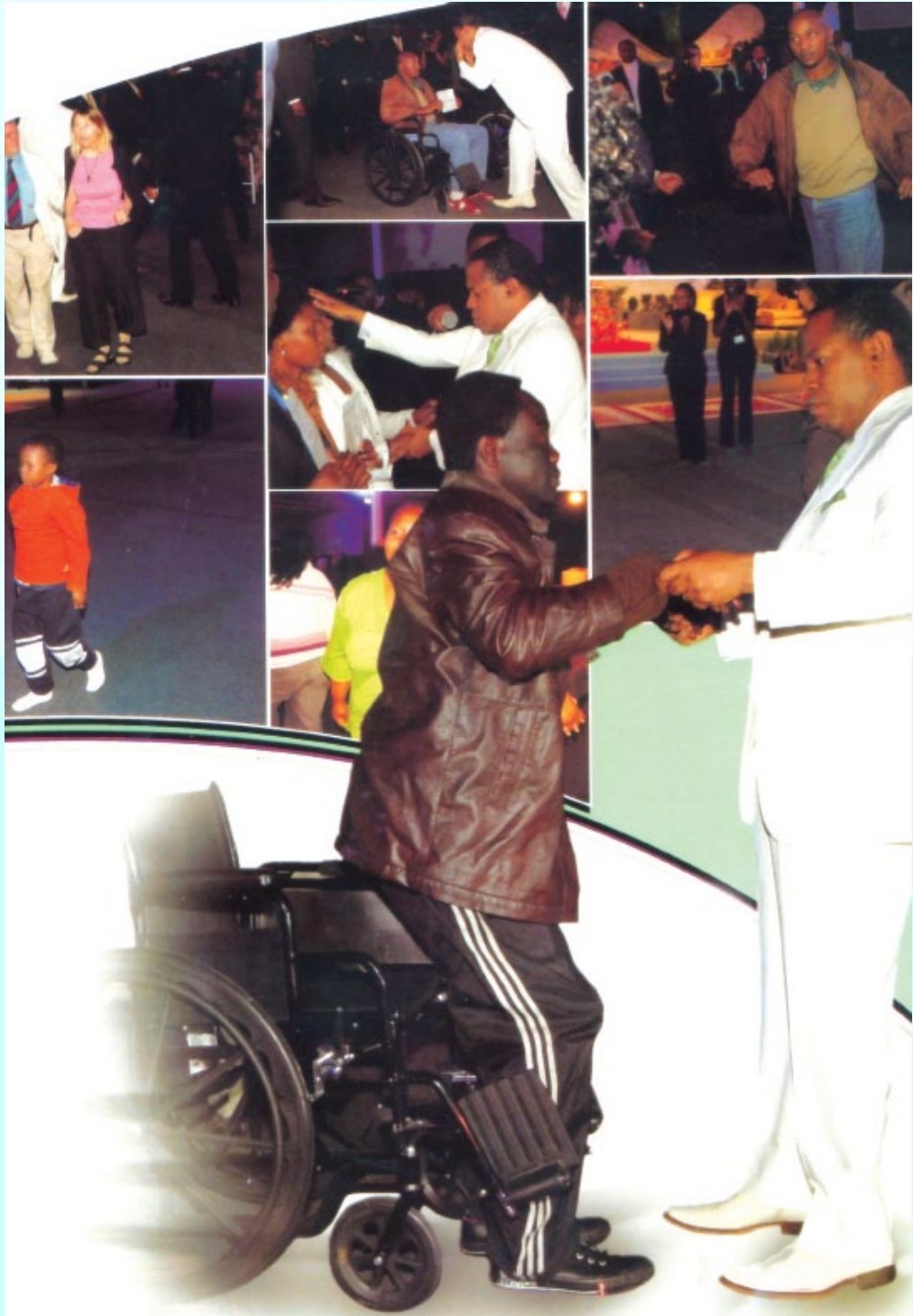






“And many others signstruly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name”
(John 20:30-31).









ANOTHER HIV MIRACLE

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It started sometime in 2007 with a bout of painful and unrelenting cough. She had gone to the hospital and was given some medications. For two months Kgothatso Moeletsi took several medications, yet the cough persisted.

After several weeks of tests and examinations, Kgothatso was finally diagnosed with tuberculosis. She was immediately placed on the standard treatments and medications. She however didn't get any better.



KGOTHATSO MOELETSI

Shortly after the diagnosis, Kgothatso began to have difficulty breathing. Upon examination, the doctors found she was also suffering from bronchitis, a severe respiratory disease. Not comfortable with the rate at which she was falling ill and the severity of her conditions, the doctors advised her to have an HIV test. Weary of her ill health, Kgothatso immediately obliged.

The test explained it all: Kgothatso was HIV positive. Kgothatso felt her whole world had crashed.

“As you know there’s no cure for this disease,” the doctor said. *“However, there are immune boosting drugs that may help you.”*

Kgothatso was only twenty eight, but she felt her life had suddenly come to an end.

From then on, life became unbearable for Kgothatso. She suffered severe back pains, which made it impossible for her to sit properly. She also experienced excruciating headaches and chest pains. Sleeping was almost impossible for her due to the pains and pounding headaches. Kgothatso also found she got tired at the slightest exertion of energy, and had great difficulty breathing. She also couldn’t bend in any direction due to the pains she would have.

With hopes that she would get some succour from the medications, Kgothatso spent a fortune on them but they all failed to help her. She also had to see the doctors frequently, thereby incurring huge medical bills. In spite of this, her health steadily declined. Nothing they did helped her.

Over the months that followed, Kgothatso's finances dwindled drastically; she could no longer afford the medications and the medical bills. Still studying in school at the time, she also couldn't afford to pay her school fees any more. With her health failing and the mounting financial pressures, Kgothatso decided to drop out of school.

Within a short while, this situation began to affect Kgothatso emotionally. She constantly felt depressed and had an overwhelming fear of death. *"When I was diagnosed to be HIV positive, all I could think of initially was death,"* she said.

Then something happened that threw her into greater despair. When she told her six-year-old son of her condition and the likelihood of her departure, he responded, *"I need you to be around to watch me grow."* Those words got to Kgothatso and she broke down and cried her heart out.

During this period, Kgothatso found comfort and strength from the Scriptures. *"I lived on the Word, breathed the Word; I literally ate it,"* she said. *"The Word became so rooted in me; I knew God would heal me."*

Then in 2008, evidently by divine plan, a friend told Kgothatso about the Healing School. Without any hesitation she decided to attend the session scheduled to hold in Johannesburg, South Africa that year. *"I knew God would heal me through the man of God, Pastor Chris,"* she enthused.

Living in Johannesburg at the time, it didn't take her too long to find the Healing School. The moment Kgothatso got in, she felt

the anointing of God's Spirit so strong and she knew she was in the right place. Then she began to learn truths from God's Word that she had never known. "I got a hold of the Word of God that was taught," she said, "and as time went by, I could feel changes in my body."

A few days after she enrolled at the Healing School, Kgothatso attended a healing service where Pastor Chris ministered to those who had been placed on the healing line. Kgothatso's faith had grown so much that when she saw the man of God ministering to others and the rejoicing that followed afterwards, she declared, "That would happen to me in a short while!" A particular lady who was healed of full blown AIDS during the service caught her attention. "If God could do it for her, then He is going to do it for me," she said.

With her faith increased, the next day Kgothatso decided to go to the hospital for a test. And to her amazement, the result showed she was HIV negative! This felt too good to be real; she had just spent one day in the presence of God at a Healing Service, and now she was healed!

The day after, Kgothatso decided to go to the hospital again, and the doctors confirmed what she already knew; she was HIV negative, completely healed by the power of God! Filled with indescribable joy, Kgothatso returned to the Healing School and testified of her miracle. However, she decided to stay on. "Now I wanted divine health!" she said.

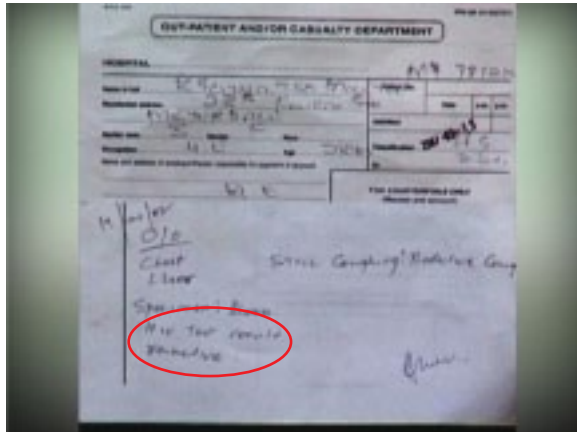
On the day of the healing service, Kgothatso stood on the healing

line with great excitement. *"I knew I had gotten what I came for,"* she said. Then the man of God walked in the hall, and Kgothatso began to vibrate under the power of God. *"I couldn't explain what I was feeling; I just knew God was at work in me,"* she testified. Right then, the man of God laid his hands on her and immediately Kgothatso fell under the power of God. The moment she got up, she praised God for making her whole. *"I felt the change in my body. I am so thankful to God!"* she rejoiced.

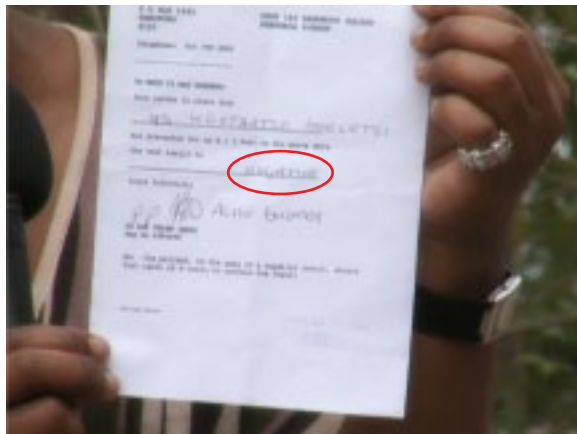
It's been more than a year since Kgothatso got healed and she continues to be amazed at the miracle she received. Testifying before a large congregation, she declared, *"I can do everything now; from cleaning, to cooking, to driving!"* Still overwhelmed by her healing, she bent in every direction, demonstrating for all to see what the Lord had done.

Kgothatso has also grown in her walk with God since her healing. The Word of God that she received at the Healing School transformed her whole life. *"I received more than healing at the Healing School; the Word of God has changed me inside out."*

Kgothatso remains a living testimony of God's saving power which is available to all who come to Him in faith.



Kgothatso's test result showing she was HIV positive



Kgothatso's new test result after her healing, showing her negative status.

KEEPING YOUR HEALING

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ATTEND TO THE WORD

Healing is God's will for you. It is your birthright as a child of God. However, the devil is constantly seeking for ways to bring you down with sickness and disease. The Bible says in 1 Peter 5:8, **"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."**

God has shown us through His Word how to keep what He has given us. Some people think He's always watching out for when they would do something wrong so He can take back their healing. No, God is not that way! He would never take back what He has given you. The Bible reveals that the gifts and calling of God are without repentance (Romans 11:29). So God is not going to take back what

He has given you.

In Proverbs 4:20-22, the Bible says, **“My son attend unto my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.”**

The first step in keeping your healing is to attend to the Word. The word “attend” used in this verse of Scripture is translated from a Hebrew word which means “to step aside.” The connotation here is that you attend to the Word the same way you attend to someone by presenting yourself or making yourself available to that person.

In other words, regardless of all that you do, God wants you to step aside and incline your ears to His Word. You may be very busy, with a lot of things on your mind, but God is saying, “Step aside from all those things and listen to Me.” And He shows us why.

“For they (my words) are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh” (Proverbs 4:22). The word “health” in this verse of Scripture is translated from the Hebrew word “marpe,” which means “cure” or “medicine.” It connotes healing, wholesomeness and soundness. The Word of God is medicine; it would keep you in health! And it is far better than any therapeutic or prophylactic medication.

Ignorance of God’s Word has been the bane of many of God’s children. The Bible says in Hosea 4:6, **“My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge.”** If you can spend quality time with the

Word, there's no sickness that would have the power or ability to break your body.

Understand that the Word of God created the whole world, and the Bible says all things are sustained by the Word of His power (Hebrews 1:3). All things in this world are kept in place and made to function according to their design by the Word of God. How much more you? You have been born of the Word of God. In 1 Peter 2:23, the Bible says, **"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever."** What's more, the Maker of the whole world lives in you!

KEEP TALKING!

The next step in keeping your healing is to keep talking God's Word about your healing and health. This means to confess or acknowledge God's Word concerning you. In Hebrews 10:23, the Bible says, **"Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."** The word "profession" in this verse of Scripture is translated from the Greek word "homologia," which is the same word for "confession." The word actually means to speak the same things in consent or agreement with another (Hebrews 10:23).

Now, the Bible says to hold fast to your confession of faith. This means to stick firmly to speaking the same things in consent with God.

In other words, agree with what God says about you; acknowledge and declare it without wavering. *God's Word Translation* puts it this way, **"We must continue to hold firmly to our declaration of faith. The one who made the promise is faithful"** (Hebrews 10:23).

In other words, hold firmly to your declaration of faith even if the symptoms show up again. Keep saying what God has said regardless of how you feel. The Bible says, **"For we walk by faith, not by sight"** (2 Corinthians 5:7). Your feelings don't define who you are; the Word of God is your true description.

Hold on to your healing and health through your confessions. Your physical condition may be saying something different, but don't stop talking the Word. God didn't say, "Speak the same things I have said about you only when your situation conforms to it"; He said, "Speak the same things in consent with My Word, even when your present circumstances seem to conflict with the reality of My Word about your life." We live by faith in God's Word and not by what our situation tells us.

Your words are seeds; they produce for you a harvest of what you say. When you put a seed into the ground, it grows and produces fruit. It's unlikely to produce fruit the first day it is planted, but it would definitely start growing. And as it is watered, it'll keep growing and someday you'll see the stem, and before long, the leaves, and eventually the fruits. That's the same way your words work.

Jesus spoke a parable along this line in Mark 4:26-29. He said,

“...so is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground. And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow, and he knoweth not how. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.”

So keep speaking God’s Word to your body and you’re sure to reap a harvest of continued divine health, success, and prosperity.

KEEP ACTING ON THE WORD

The third step to keeping your healing is to keep acting on the Word. Now that you have received your healing, don’t just fold your arms and relax; keep demonstrating your healing. That’s a powerful way to act on God’s Word. The devil may try to tell you, “Hey, be careful. You’re not completely healed; you can’t do that!” Face him squarely and declare your healing in Christ Jesus, and just keep acting on the Word. Every cell, tissue, organ, and system in your body is sure to comply!

Of course, the devil wasn’t planning to congratulate you after you received your healing. So don’t think the symptoms may never show up. They may, but whether or not you would keep your healing depends on your response to the lies of the devil.

Every time in our healing meetings, when people receive their healing, I tell them, “Do what you couldn’t do before.” The reason

is if they don't act on the Word, they may lose their healing and go home thinking nothing happened. Meanwhile, God touched them, but because they didn't respond, they lost it.

The truth is until you act on God's Word concerning you, you will not experience it's reality in your life. This is actually what faith is all about—acting on the truth of God's Word, even though you may not see it with your optical eyes.

Remember, the healing power of God is at work in the members of your body. Remain conscious of this and act that way. If you were one who always locked yourself in your “sick room” with your windows constantly shut and your drugs always scattered by your bedside drawer, such that anyone who came into your room knew a sick person lived there, you have to change that immediately. Get into your room, clean it up, throw the windows open, and let some fresh air come in! That's how you keep your healing. Don't continue with things the way they were before you got healed; you've got to change things.

Don't let the devil or anyone lie to you by telling you something different; you're the healed of God!

KEEP LAUGHING!

Another way to keep your healing is to laugh always! The Bible says, “A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones” (Proverbs 17:22). The Word of God shows us that laughter

has a therapeutic effect. It works like medicine in your body.

You've learnt that the Word of God is medicine to your body. Now, the Bible shows you that a merry heart does good like medicine. If any of the symptoms you used to feel show up in your body, don't fret and rush to the nearest hospital. Right where you are, begin to laugh. Laugh until it gets into your spirit, and then speak God's Word to your body. Do this several times in the day, whether or not you feel like it. It won't be long before the Word will prevail over those symptoms and you would be filled with overwhelming joy.

ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!

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Nothing prepared Zandisa Siyego for the news she received from the doctors at the birth of her son Thando. Right after his birth, the doctors discovered there was a problem in the anterior portion of his brain. Curious and disturbed, they immediately proceeded to examine him.

As Zandisa laid on the hospital bed awaiting the test results, an unsettling fear gradually replaced her joy. Barely a few hours ago, she had anticipated the birth of her child with great joy, but now, she had been thrown into a turmoil.



Thando Siyego

A few hours later, a doctor wearing a grim expression walked to her bedside and explained, *“Your child has cerebral palsy. It was most likely caused by damage to vital parts of his brain during your pregnancy.”*

Zandisa’s heartbeat became unsteady. It felt like the hospital walls were closing in on her and she had no means of escape.

The doctor looked at her with great concern and continued, *“It is a group of disorders affecting body movement and muscle coordination. Medical science has only been able to treat the complications that it causes in the body, but has never proffered a cure.”*

Hot tears welled up in Zandisa’s eyes and flowed freely down her face. Raising a normal child was a full time job; how was she to raise this child with a condition that had no cure? As though he was reading her thoughts, the doctor said, *“There are medications and exercises that can help. But he may never live a normal life.”*

Like every mother, Zandisa’s heart overflowed with love for her son despite his condition. She made up her mind she was going to raise Thando to the best of her ability. Perhaps, he would outgrow it and become normal if she did everything the doctor said. But to her dismay, as days turned into weeks, and



weeks into months, and months years, Thando's condition remained unchanged. Zandisa spent a fortune on medications and physiotherapy, but they provided no lasting solution.

At age two, Thando had not uttered a word or stood, let alone walked. He crawled around with uncoordinated movements and responded sluggishly to everything. By his fourth birthday, Thando still crawled like a toddler and couldn't form any words. He couldn't be left unattended, nor could he engage in activities associated with children of his age.

Frustrated and filled with despair, Zandisa decided to enroll him in a school, hoping that the environment will help improve his condition. This turned out to be impossible as not one school agreed to admit him. They simply refused to bear the responsibility for him. It was at this point that Zandisa knew nothing in this world was going to help her son. She knew her solution was in God alone.

When Zandisa heard of the Healing School, it felt like rays of light had broken through her dark clouds. Somehow, she knew God had answered her prayers. Thus, over the next few weeks, she made plans to attend.

When Zandisa arrived at the Healing School, the





atmosphere was saturated with the anointing and she knew she was in the right place. The day came for her to be ministered to, and when the healing service commenced, the intensity of the anointing was even stronger. Zandisa carried Thando on her laps

and prayed earnestly for him; she knew his moment of transformation had come.

The atmosphere of joy and faith was simply breathtaking when Pastor Chris walked into the hall. A few moments later, he strode towards where they were seated. He looked compassionately on little Thando, who was carried by his mother,



and stretched his hands towards him. Immediately, Zandisa was overwhelmed by the mighty presence of God. She knew that something significant was taking place in their lives.

Right then the man of God laid his hands on Thando and declared, "He's free!" With those life-transforming words, Thando released himself from his mother's grip and stood up straight for the first time in his life! Overwhelmed by the



anointing and the awesome miracle that had taken place, Zandisa began to cry. She didn't care who was watching or how she looked; she was just in awe of God! Her son was healed and was walking for the first time in his life!



Thando, now a very happy child, now walks and can talk

Zandisa looked on in tears as Thando ran excitedly across the hall. The power of God had reversed his condition against all the doctor's predictions. With just one divine encounter, an infirmity that defied medical science had simply disappeared.

Several months have passed since her son's healing, but Zandisa's heart has continued to

overflow with thanksgiving to God. For her, it's as though the period of his illness happened in another lifetime. Truly, there's nothing impossible with God!

MUCH MORE THAN HEALING

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HEALING IS YOURS ALREADY

If you're suffering from sickness today, healing has been made available to you in Christ Jesus. You don't need to suffer one more day. The question is: have you accepted the Healer? If you have, then healing is yours. The Bible says, "But he (Jesus) was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon; and with his stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5).

Understand that He paid the price for that infirmity. Connect that pain you feel in your body to the price He paid. His blood was shed for you. See that growth in your body nailed to the Cross; see your weakness on the Cross. It's not yours anymore. This means you can simply walk away from any infirmity that has held you bound.

The Bible records that while Jesus hung on the Cross, His visage was so marred beyond that of any man. That's because every kind of infirmity that has ever existed or may ever exist was put on Him. Why suffer anymore when He already suffered in your place? But as I had earlier pointed out, the challenge with many folks is ignorance of the Word. They don't know, so they suffer, just as the Bible says: **"My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge"** (Hosea 4:6). Get out of ignorance today and receive divine healing in your body. Your suffering is unnecessary. Embrace the Healer and see that He has brought healing to you (Matthew 8:17).

THE PAST TENSE OF HEALING

There are great truths in God's Kingdom, but as you mature in the things of God, you'll discover there are greater truths you can live by. The Prophet Isaiah looked into the future by the Spirit and saw the sacrifice of the Lamb of God for mankind. Then he proclaimed, **"With His stripes we are healed"** (Isaiah 53:5), and that's wonderful. However, Peter having understood and come into vital relationship with Christ, declared, **"...by whose stripes ye were healed"** (2 Peter 2:24).

This is awesome! As a child of God, you don't need healing. You may ask why? It's because you were healed by the stripes of Jesus. The work has been done and the price has been paid; now if symptoms come to you, you don't need to receive healing, because you were already

healed more than two thousand years ago!

When infirmity tries to fasten itself on you, don't cry or beg. Simply say, "Leave my body in the Name of Jesus Christ; I was healed by the stripes of Jesus and I remain healed today." And then relax. All of nature will conform to the Word of God you voiced. You were healed by His stripes and nothing can change that!

LIVE IN GOD'S REALITY

I once read the story of John G. Lake. While he was a missionary in South Africa, there was a bubonic plague outbreak that destroyed many people. It was said that all the officials who came to care for the sick and bury the dead had to wear protective clothing, but Lake didn't. When asked why he hadn't contracted the deadly disease, he replied that the Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus had set him free from the law of sin and death (Roman 8:2), and as long as he walked in the light of that Law, no germ could attach itself to him.

To demonstrate the reality of God's Word to the doubting medical officials, Lake asked that an experiment be carried out on him with live samples of the bubonic plague bacteria. When they placed the live bacteria in his hands and observed them under a microscope, to their utter amazement, the bacteria died on contact with Lake's hand! The man had so contemplated the life of God in him that he knew his body could not be infected by any infirmity.

This is a greater truth; it's greater than healing. The life of a Christian is not subject to disease; it's a disease-destroying life! In the Old Testament, God said, "the life of the flesh (the human body) is in the blood" (Leviticus 17:11), and that's why when the blood is infected, sickness follows. However when you're born again, you cease to live by the blood that flows through your veins. The Bible says that if Christ is in you, though your body be dead because of sin, the Spirit gives it life because of righteousness (Romans 8:10). This means the Holy Spirit gives life to your physical body because of righteousness, which is your new nature.

The next verse of Romans 8 makes it even stronger; it says, **"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 (or vitalize) your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you"** (Romans 8:11 NKJV). This makes you impregnable to sickness, disease, and every form of infirmity.

In this realm of life, you don't need healing for your body. No infirmity can successfully thrive in your body. It is God's dream that all His kids function in this realm of life. If you're born again, you've gone past healing; you're the healed and God constantly nourishes your body by His Spirit that lives in you. More so, you've become a healer. Jesus said, "Heal the sick"; He didn't say, "Look for healing."

Stay connected to God's Word that speaks of your health. Believe it, receive it, speak it, and act on it. It's the final authority as far as your health is concerned.

ANDREA'S WALK OF FAITH

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It felt like it happened just yesterday. Dr. Andrea Mary Tree will never forget that incidence when she almost lost her daughter. She had left her for a while to play but it turned out to be a bad idea as an inattentive driver drove headlong towards where she was.

Andrea was seven months pregnant at the time, but she dashed into the road with the speed and agility of an athlete. That singular action, however, turned out to be the greatest catastrophe of her life as she suddenly felt something go through her hip and was knocked



DR. ANDREA MARY TREE

to the ground instantly. Andrea, instead of her daughter, had been hit by the car; she had saved her child, but from that moment, her entire life was thrown out of course.

For two straight hours that fateful day, Andrea lay on the ground. She couldn't move, let alone attempt to stand up straight. Eventually, when she was taken home and examined, Andrea was assured that her unborn child was okay and that she suffered no harm.

Andrea couldn't wait to get back to her home in the United Kingdom. However, it wasn't long before she realized that things weren't right in her body. Even though she had been told at the time of the accident that she was okay, she felt her body was no longer the same. Within a few weeks, Andrea could no longer stand on her legs and struggled to climb the stairs.

Being a medical doctor, she tried to correct the situation as best as she could, but became increasingly concerned when she realized she couldn't easily put on her clothes. It was at this point that she decided to consult a specialist.

Upon examination, the doctor diagnosed that she had pelvic instability due to damage of the symphysis pubis. He explained that it could cause



inability to walk in extreme cases, hence the difficulty she was already experiencing in walking. He immediately instructed that she be confined to bedrest with a corset for the next three months.

This was most devastating for Andrea, as she had always been a very active person, accustomed to serving and helping people. *“It was like a life-sentence for me,”* Andrea recalled. She simply couldn’t imagine how she could possibly just lie in bed for three months.

The doctor had prescribed several medications to help with her pains. However, in spite of her religious adherence to the doctor’s instructions, her condition continued to take a downward slide. If she turned or moved her body wrongly, her back would slip out on one side, throwing her entire body off-balance.

Andrea had resolved that she would continue working regardless of how her body felt, but her condition began to affect her ability to work. On one occasion, she suddenly got stuck while bending over a patient and couldn’t stand up straight; she eventually straightened up only after an anaesthetic was administered to her. After that incident, it wasn’t





Andrea, being ministered to by the man of God Pastor Chris

long before she stopped working all together.

Andrea also began to suffer from arthritis and severe pains in her muscles. In addition to these, she experienced excruciating pains in her foot. Consequently, she could no longer walk or sit upright. She always had to lie down with her legs folded up. She had been a medical practitioner for 25 years and eagerly looked forward to doing greater

things in her field, but all that seemed so distant and vague now. Being in so much pain and despair, she simply wanted her life back.

Hope revived in Andrea's heart when she heard of the Healing School, and she made up her mind to attend the new session in Johannesburg, South Africa. At the scheduled date, accompanied by her daughter, she journeyed from London to the Healing



School in Johannesburg.

At the Healing School, when Andrea saw several others who had come from different parts of the world, some with more serious



Andrea, walking away with her daughter, totally healed of all pains

conditions, her faith for her miracle was strengthened. When the healing service began, Andrea felt the presence of God envelop her. She had come with her daughter and had to lie on a stretcher, but she knew she was not going to leave the same way. *"I believe God has something planned ready for me,"* she affirmed.

to her, Andrea felt the anointing surge through her body, restoring her bones and making her whole. Then the man of God commanded all the infirmities to leave her body. Immediately, Andrea got out of the stretcher and stood up straight! And

When Pastor Chris ministered



A radiant Andrea, living proof of the awesome power of a living God

within moments, she was squatting and jumping with great excitement. Her joy knew no bounds as she raced across the hall in demonstration of her healing.

What a miracle this was for Andrea! Barely a few moments ago, she couldn't sit, walk, or move without pains; now she was jumping and running with so much ease. "It's unbelievable!" she exclaimed, "If someone gave me a ceiling to paint right now, I'd do it without pains!" Andrea had taken a step of faith to experience the miraculous, and God honoured her faith.

Jesus said, "For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith" (Mark 11:23).

DWELLING IN DIVINE HEALTH

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DIVINE HEALTH IS YOURS

There's something more than receiving divine healing; it's dwelling in divine health. Someone may say, "Is it possible for anybody to always be healthy, without ever falling sick at anytime?" Emphatically yes! The Bible shows us the quality of life we received when we were born again is superior to all manner of sickness, disease, and infirmity.

In John 1:12-13, the Bible says, "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

The man who is born again is born of God in reality. He has the very life and nature of God within him. In the Greek language, this life is referred to as "Zoë." Zoë is the principle of life. It is the God-life.

When you were born again, this life completely supplanted the human life with which you were born. The human life, which is the life of the first Adam, was subject to sickness and death. However, now that you're born again, the life of God in you transcends sickness and disease.

In 1 John 4:4, the Bible says, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

Sickness can no longer hold sway in your body; the life of God in you is greater.

You've got to settle this truth in your heart that because you're born again, you don't get sick. The new creation doesn't get sick. This means it's not in his nature to get sick. He therefore shouldn't be infected by anything, nor should any disease be found in his body. Just as cats don't bark because it's not in their nature, a child of God doesn't get sick because it's alien to his divine nature. In Isaiah 33:24, the Bible says, **"And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity."**

GET THE WORD INTO YOU!

What God wants to give you is not a healing; what He wants to give you is His Word in your spirit. With the Word in your spirit, it doesn't matter what symptoms show up in your body, you're sure to

have victory over them.

However, this comes through meditating on the Word of God. Meditation drives the Word into your spirit and produces in your life the harvest of what the Word talks about. So have specific times for meditating on the Word. As you do this, you'll find that the Word will literally take charge of your entire being and transform your mind, such that it will become impossible for you to think sickness.

Even when symptoms show up in your body, you'll know they only came to pass; they have no dwelling place in your body. You'll understand that not only have you become one with God, but your body has also become His dwelling place.

CONCLUSION

“They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy”
(Jonah 2:8).

No Spirit-filled Christian should ever be subject to any form of sickness. This is what the Word of God shows us. The Bible says, “Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world” (1 John 4:4). You have already overcome everything that is in this world, and that includes sickness and disease, in whatever name it may be called.

“What about a Christian who is suffering from cancer?” you ask.

That malignant growth is not the reality. Reality is in the Word of God, and the Word of God declares your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. The growth you see there is not real; it’s a lie from the devil.

Satan has no power of his own. The Lord Jesus completely stripped him of every power when He arose victorious from the grave. But the devil has mastered the art of deception. He will bring the wrong picture to your mind, and once he can get you to believe it and say it, he has you where he wants you. That picture of sickness he's been showing you is not real. Remember the Scripture:

“Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:4-5).

If you believe in your heart all that Jesus accomplished for you through His death, burial, and resurrection, and confess His Lordship over your life, you're saved (Romans 10:9). And automatically, divine healing becomes vitally yours. You don't have to struggle or hope for it. It comes with the salvation package. Healing from heaven is yours now! Don't live with that infirmity any longer; you don't have to suffer anymore; divine healing is your birthright in Christ Jesus.

I encourage you to live every day conscious of the reality of your heritage in Christ Jesus. Let the Word of God fill your heart so you'll always talk right, because, the truth is, your body becomes what you say it is. If the devil tries to play his tricks on you, refuse to fear. Insist on the reality of your divine health through your confessions of faith;

then go ahead and enjoy your life. Remember, that's exactly why Jesus came—so you would have life, and have it in its fullest! (John 10:10 CEV).

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