Sowing Seeds of the Heart

Touching Lives Through the Word of God



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Introduction

It is my desire to see those who need healing be healed and those with compassion for others be used by the Lord to touch lives. My study has taken me through the scriptures and has brought me to a place where I am persuaded that the Lord can and will touch lives as to heal. The Lord is alive and moving through this earth today through the hearts of those that would only believe. You too can fulfill the desire that you seek to reach out your hand and see Christ touch a life and minister compassion to others.

It is my hope that this book would produce a heart that would understand the Will of God concerning healing and so much more. With this heart should be the awareness to know that the lives that are touched are touched by Him. There is so much in all of our lives that remain to be changed. The Father wants to impart to us but He cannot because of certain conditions in our lives. Will you remain unchanged by the Father? Or, will you open your heart and receive a portion of His heart and know all that brings healing and freedom is available with His touch?

2 Thessalonians 1

- 11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:
- 12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Chapter One Preparing the Heart

Many that discover the blessings of God through His Word seek to understand how to appropriate His blessings to their lives and the lives of others. In my own life I have struggled to receive what is available from God. The further I have walked along life's journey, I have come to know that when I place my dependency and trust in Him there is so much more He appropriates to my life. As a street evangelist, I have an opportunity to journey deep into the inner cites and see the needs and desires of so many people. It is in these times that I can sense His real desire for His people. There is so much He wants to appropriate to lives that are hurting and those that are in bondage. I can often feel the emotion that He has for His people. Some nights it almost becomes unbearable. It nearly breaks my heart to see the pain in people's lives and to know the answer is in Christ. It is at times like these that my only desire is to have the faith to believe God for the needs of others and for the wisdom to know how to share His Word. If we could come to a place in our lives where we would seek to allow the Lord to fulfill His Will in our own life then He could fulfill His Will in the lives of others. His heart is to minister to His people and His desire is to use you to be the vessel to touch others. However, many of us struggle for the needs of our own life. We need to move past this point of struggle and move further into our trust and faith in Him.

Matthew 6

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

It is my hope that I may be able to share how we might help others to receive what the Lord has freely given. Could it be that we have failed to see the simplicity of the Word? Have we missed the opportunity to minister to those who are hurting? Have we received what He has for our own lives? I have come to know that the Lord has placed salvation, health, freedom, and so much more into His Word for those that would find them. We need to know how He may place this treasure into our hearts and how this treasure may be appropriated to others. The Lord has spoken to us in Proverbs concerning His Word and the role of our heart upon His blessings for us.

Proverbs 4

20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

22 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

The explanations that Jesus used were not only intended to be understood, but also to provide principles we might live by and be able to receive what He has promised. I have sought to know His heart in the hope that I might be able to help others to enjoy the benefits made available through Christ. This desire has come from the Call He has placed upon my life. My search for answers was not that I alone would be the one to minister to His people but to understand in such a way that I might share what He has shared with me. I think that there is too much emphasis placed upon the messenger than the message. Through His touch upon my life, I have received a desire to know Him as a friend and to allow Him to live part of His life through me. The night when He placed His Call upon my life, my heart not only heard His words calling me to share the message of salvation to this world but to know the pain that God felt when His creation died, lost in sin. I will always remember the pain He felt and the emotion in which He spoke to my heart. He said, "Will you go and tell others about My Son." I said, "Yes, I will go." I had to respond to what I heard and felt in my heart. God was hurting for His creation and somehow I knew His pain was forever for those who already perished. I sought to understand the pain He would feel forever as just one would perish and be in eternal torment. How could I not respond to His Call?

I have walked in this Call and have seen thousands saved as I extended my hand inviting them to Christ. He has been faithful to teach me and to guide me to those that were lost and hurting. The longer I walk with Him the more He has shared His heart with me. I have shared what He has shared with me in books and teachings so others would discover His Will. His touch upon my life continues even today. Yes,

there is always more to know and more to receive from Christ. Now this journey has brought me to a place to listen to Him as He seeks to help me understand even more of Him.

John 16

13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come.

14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you.

15 All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.

I have met so many different kinds of hearts, as a street evangelist, which all seemed to have different needs. The Lord has shown me that through sowing His Word into the lives of others that the Word will produce results. The Word is as a seed and the heart is as the soil. Therefore, if we place His Word in our heart we will find His Will fulfilled in our life. The Lord can prepare the soil and produce His Will in our life. We must yield to His touch upon our heart.

Hosea 10

12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

Our ministry in the streets must be one of sharing the Word while increasing people's faith for what they need. Since we may have only a brief opportunity to minister to someone, we will seek to share the Lord's Will though His Word and expect their healing to be complete. We should be in expectation for Him to touch all people. Most people seem to limit their faith by their past experiences rather than the Word of God. We should expect the Lord to fulfill His Will in the lives of those we minister to.

Acts 10

38 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.

Christ shared the concept of sowing seeds of the heart. There is a difference in hearts and how the Word responds to a heart. Also, we can see that there is a thief that seeks to steal the Word from our heart. The enemy knows that if the Word is left deposited into a person's heart that it will produce what the Lord has for their life. It is interesting to know the increase that will result when the Word is placed in good soil. Christ was sharing a principle of the Kingdom of God. We need to prepare the soil of our heart to receive His fullness in our life. Expect the Word to increase to such an extent that it will overflow from your life into the lives of others. We can clearly see that if we will take time and seek to prepare hearts that the Word will produce. Could it be that what we seek is a relationship with the Healer? The Lord does not seek to just touch a life as to heal, but to indwell a life and therefore produce health. The dependency we have upon Him is greater than a physical need. It is a spiritual one. Let His healing be received into your heart, radiate into your life, and touch every need.

Luke 8

- **4** And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:
- **5** A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.
- **6** And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.
- 7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it
- **8** And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.
- **9** And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?

- **10** And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.
- 11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.
- 12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.
- 13 They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.
- **14** And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.
- **15** But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

As we have seen in Luke 8, the Word produced in all circumstances. However, in some cases the enemy stole the Word from their hearts. We see that although the Word was received in the person's life, if it was not established temptation caused defeat. Even the world can choke the Word in your life. However, there is a heart that seeks to keep the Word and patiently bears fruit. What we seek is available through obedience to God's Word. Some would say that it is difficult in that it is dependent upon me. Let's examine this a little more closely. The Word that is deposited into your heart to produce salvation, deliverance, and healing is the same Word that will produce the attributes of what we need to nourish and defend it. Although the conditions of our heart may vary, the Word can work in your life to produce life and abundance. The rocks could be broken in your life and turned into fine soil. The weeds could be removed to allow the fruit to produce. Remember the Word not only contains the health that we seek but the faith we need to defend its deposit in our heart.

Psalms 119

11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Psalms 10

17 *LORD*, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

Moses sought to understand the heart of God. His walk with God lead Him into the tabernacle where He ministered unto God and sought atonement for himself and others. The Lord spoke to Moses as a friend. His relationship with God changed his heart and changed his focus. He was more concerned about the lives of others than himself. On one occasion he stood between the judgement of God and the people.

Exodus 33

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle.

12 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, show me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

The Lord responded to Moses and showed grace upon His people. We can clearly see that the Lord wants to reveal more of Himself to His people. The grace and the relationship which the Lord developed in the heart of Moses brought him to a place which he could move closer in His relationship to God.

It is so simple and yet the cost is so great. If you would only allow the Lord to touch your heart and place His nature within it. The more of His heart we receive the more His nature would be reflected from our life. The Lord yearns to touch lives though you.

The Lord was ready to respond to the request of Moses to reveal more of Himself and to have mercy upon the people. The anointing upon my life has brought me to a place where I know that while I am touching other lives, He is touching mine. He seeks to strengthen my relationship in Him to equip me to touch lives through Him. The same mercy and grace He shows to others as I minister in the streets He shows to me. While I yield my own life to Him I receive more of His heart.

Exodus 34

5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,

7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

In the verses above the Lord revealed His heart to Moses. The most personal nature of God is His mercy, grace, patience, goodness, and forgiveness of sin. We can see that He will judge sin but we must remember that forgiveness is available. Many seek to develop faith alone. Could it be that our relationship with Christ is the most powerful aspect of our life and our ministry? The Lord is wanting to be close to His people through you. Develop your relationship while being in expectation for Him to touch His people.

A pure heart is what the Lord desires for His people. Our lives are guided by our heart. Our desires and our intentions often control our lives from within. In this journey of life we seek to hear His voice and pray for guidance. We must come to understand that it is to the heart the Lord speaks and directs our lives.

Chapter Two Are You Persuaded?

The question for most of us is if we are really persuaded that God will heal. There are many in the Bible who have asked this question. Mankind has wondered if God is so personal that He would touch a life as to heal it. Could it be that God has made provision for His people; not only enjoy health, but to be healed? It is on these thoughts that we will explore the scriptures; not only understand, but to know that God can and will heal. Also, I want to share how we can have faith to expect Him to touch our life and the lives of those we minister to.

Romans 4

16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:

20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

21 <u>And being fully persuaded</u> that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

Abraham's belief in his God brought health and salvation to him. We can see that Abraham did not consider his circumstances or his physical limitations regarding the fulfillment of God's Will upon his life. He was fully persuaded that God was able to perform what He had

promised. How wonderful to see in these scriptures that his belief in God and His promises brought him to a place of righteousness before God.

So many of us want to have such faith as to cause us to be fully persuaded and have the heart to follow the voice of our Heavenly Father. While we could measure our lives against Abraham, we can rest assured as we understand in Romans 4:16 that the work of grace was an active force in his life. Therefore, you too may enjoy the same opportunities for faith, healing, and righteousness as we not only consider but expect the promises of God in our life. There is a place in our relationship with God where we can see through His eyes and feel with His heart. During special times in the streets of inner cities I could sense this expression upon my life. One night as a man in Los Angeles, California pointed a gun at me, I felt myself trying to cross the street to walk towards him. I raised my hand and waved to greet him. I was able for that moment to look past the gun and the anger and see the heart of this man. I continued to walk in his direction and he put the gun back into his pocket and walked away into the night. I was concerned for him and saddened that he walked away before I could share Christ with Him. This was not a natural expression of my faith or love but a response from within my heart. It was the very nature of Christ walking the streets. For that moment, I could sense the nature of Christ fully direct my life. On many other occasions in the streets as we witness, we feel the same compassion that the Lord has for His people.

One night in Dallas, Texas we had a little difficulty locating our hotel and turned on the wrong block. I saw a convenience store on one side of the street and an apartment complex on the other. A young man was standing on a brick flower bed by the apartments. He was just standing there wearing gang colors and looking at the people. We turned the van around and found the hotel. We went into the hotel, and when I was about to get ready for bed, the Lord seemed to remind me about the man standing on the brick flower bed.

It was midnight and I was tired. I felt the Lord speak to my heart again and I told my family to pray, since I was going out alone that night to witnesses. I left the hotel and drove to the convenience store. I

prayed as I walked and went straight to the man at the flower bed. Yes, he was still there! I walked as if I was going to walk by and then turned to speak to him. Sometimes late at night if you walk straight toward someone and look at them, they will run away. Many people in the streets are worried about violence. I later asked him if he was afraid of me, and he said something told him that I was a friend. Isn't it interesting that God can speak to a sinner? Praise God, He spoke to all of us when we were lost in our sin.

I told him why I was there. I said, "I was lost a little while ago trying to find my hotel, and I saw you as I drove by." I was about to go to bed and I just could not get you out of my mind. I knew that it was God who wanted me to talk to you." I asked him about his relationship with Christ. I told him why I go to the streets and that I cared. He stepped down from the flower bed. I read him the scriptures on salvation and shared my heart with him. When I issued an invitation he took my hand, and we prayed there in public at that busy street corner. He seemed so happy to know he was saved. He shared with me about his brother who died when he was young. I asked him why he was wearing the gang colors and he said it was the first night for him to wear them. He lived at home and was looking for a job. He was wondering if he should go to college or not.

I took time and we sat down and talked about God, life, and his future. He had so many questions and was wondering what to do with his life. He wanted to do what was right. We talked about so many things. I simply took time that night to disciple my new friend. I pray to God that he will always follow Christ. It was so peaceful and yet it was nearly 1:00 AM. Later I was told that this was one of the worst areas in Dallas, Texas. Once again, the expression upon my life to go into the streets of the night by myself was not a natural expression, but the Lord placing His desire to speak to this young man upon my heart. I pray his new found faith and my words will keep him from the gang.

It is my hope and my prayer to continually walk in Him. We can walk in His faith and walk in the righteousness that His Son provided. We should know that His provision contains the promise and the ability to experience His expression upon our life. He wants to walk in this earth through the hearts of those whom He has touched.

2 Corinthians 4

- **5** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.
- **6** For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- 7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.
- **8** We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;
- 9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;
- **10** Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.
- 11 For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.
- 12 So then death worketh in us, but life in you.
- **13** We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;
- **14** Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.
- **15** For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.
- **16** For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.
- **17** For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;
- 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

To understand the Lord's Will concerning His healing we must understand His Word. His Will has been spoken in His Word and the lives of those that He touched was recorded permanently in the Bible; therefore, it was recorded into history for all time. Those that walked with Him demonstrated His Will upon this earth as lives were healed and touched by more than the hands of the apostles, but through Christ's Words. Their words spoken through the Holy Spirit and the words of Christ continue to affect lives upon this earth. Although healing is available for anyone today there still seems to be the reality that multitudes are hurting and in need of healing. It would appear from a natural sense that the need is greater than the outward manifestation of healing upon those of this world. We can clearly see in the scriptures that the Lord healed all that were touched by Him. However, there were others that were never touched and never heard His Words.

Matthew 4

- **23** And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
- **24** And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatic, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

There seems to be the act of the Lord's Will and His Word upon lives. But what about those that know His Word and yet remain sick and hurting? Our exploration must go further into the very heart of God while we examine our own heart. The Lord has shown so much care for His creation that He sent His very Son to share His Will upon this earth. What Christ shared with mankind was principles of the Kingdom of God and the way we should live and what provisions are available from God.

Psalms 103

- **2** Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
- 3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
- **4** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

Throughout the Bible the Lord has made provision for His people. The Word of God is filled with promises of healing. When I study the scriptures and see that Christ was the Word and to know that He has asked us to speak the very words that He spoke in His Name, we should be assured that those we minister to will be touched by Him. Since we know it is the Lord that touches lives, why do we limit Him with our own unbelief? Allow Him to work in your life in an atmosphere of belief and trust.

Mark 9

23 *Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.*

Matthew 8

- **5** And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,
- **6** And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.
- 7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him.
- **8** The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
- **9** For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.
- **10** When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

At the request of the Roman soldier, Christ was so willing to come to heal his servant. To understand the request, we should look into the heart of the Roman soldier. First, he approached Christ and called Him Lord. When Christ responded that He would come and heal the servant, the Roman soldier responded with humility as he said that he was not worthy for Him to come under his roof. Looking further, we see that the Roman soldier did not ask anything for himself but for his servant. Lastly, we see the soldier understood the power of Christ's spoken Word. Christ acknowledged that He had not seen faith that great in Israel.

Could it be that the soldier's faith was simply a response from a heart filled with humility and concern for others? If the journey in your life has led you to be in full time employment, a working mother, or even retired, you too can be a person of great faith in the eyes of the Lord. Our occupations do not determine our ministry—our heart does. Prepare your heart to respond with the same faith the Roman soldier had. He simply spoke what he believed in his own heart. Reach into your heart and find your faith founded upon Christ.

2 Corinthians 4

13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

In 2 Corinthians 4, we can see the assurance of Paul's heart as he affirmed his confidence in Christ to give him the courage and ability to press forward when situations or circumstances would suggest to give The strength and the determination for us to believe past circumstances is an attribute of an established Christian. There never was a question in the heart of the Roman Solider concerning the Lord's ability to touch his servant. With full assurance he spoke what he believed. It is with this faith that we must live our lives. To let your life to be guided by troubles or adversities is to let the world direct your life. What is the reaction in your life when you are faced with sickness, situations, or troubles? Do you begin to imagine the circumstance worse or it's effect upon your life? Place your trust in your relationship with Christ and allow the Lord to give you the faith to overcome the circumstance. Most try to respond with faith for the circumstance alone rather than faith established in relationship. Seek to trust in Christ regardless of circumstances and see how your life will develop in faith. Faith speaks through the hope that Christ imparts to you. Faith without trust often finds itself lacking the ability to press towards the One that will make your life whole. The Lord finds much pleasure in a heart that is established and trusts in Him.

Mark 11

24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

The Lord spoke so clearly in this scripture concerning our need to believe. While the Lord is sovereign and can touch a life as He wills, He desires for His people to believe that He will answer a prayer that is spoken from a heart which trusts in Him. In eternity we will know the limitations we have placed upon our lives by failing to follow His teachings. The principle of faith which He speaks of in this scripture is how He wants us to live. The dependency upon Him that He desires for us to have should be greater than any doubts that would arise in our minds. Lay aside your experiences and thoughts and begin to believe with the heart and see through the eyes of faith. Many have placed limitations on the scriptures. While people doubt and live their lives based on circumstances and experiences, they see so many who are hurting and struggling to believe for even the simple things of life. We must believe to see His Will fulfilled upon this earth or will we remain the same? This is the choice that has been placed before us. Will you believe the Words that He has so clearly spoken?

Chapter Three His Touch

Matthew 8

14 And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.

15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

He touched her hand as an act of compassion and kindness. His touch penetrates the heart and the very soul of mankind. His touch and concern for others is available today.

Although He has ascended into the heavens, His touch remains on this earth through those will simply believe for themselves and others. His Will and the person of the Holy Spirit continue to touch lives and hearts upon this earth. When His Word is spoken in an atmosphere of belief He touches through the Holy Spirit. Remember that His touch is upon a heart. Healing radiates into our lives from the heart.

Proverbs 4

23 *Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.*

Therefore, when you pray, or others pray for you, remember that His initial touch is upon the heart. So many look for immediate results of prayer and begin to base their belief upon results rather than the Lord. Receive His healing into your heart and expect your healing. Many that are healed place the fact that they were touched upon outward manifestations. When symptoms reappear they begin to question and doubt. You must choose to believe with the heart and His Word. There will be manifestation of His healing and the trust to maintain what He has imparted to you to produce the health in your life.

Jeremiah 1

12 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

It is the Lord's responsibility to perform the Word which is spoken by a believer. Throughout scriptures God promises healing for His creation. Allow Him to have access into your life through belief and obedience to His Will in your life. The Lord is looking for a willing vessel to flow through to touch His people. Obedience is the most powerful way to show your love for Christ. Many can believe in Him but I have noticed few follow Him as He has challenged us in His Word.

Matthew 7

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

Mark 1

40 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean.

42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.

The leper wanted to know if Jesus would touch him and make Him whole. Most know that he can but we often wonder if He will. On this particular night, the Lord not only provided the miracle but the faith for us to believe. This is why trust and a relationship with Christ is so important. We must know that all faith is imparted to us though His Word and through the Will and Sovereignty of God.

Expect the Lord to provide the miracles and the means in which we will receive them. It is His joy to touch His creation and to be as personal as a friend. The One who saved your soul wants to provide for you along life's journey.

Jeremiah 17

14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

Chapter Four His Provision

Psalms 103

- **2** Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
- **3** Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
- **4** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

The Father provides healing and redeems us from spiritual death through the forgiveness of sin. Every area of our life is dependent upon Him daily. Just as there are no limits on His forgiveness we see there are no limits on His healing. We must live our life with His daily forgiveness and seek to further our relationship with Him. For He chose to save us in His tender mercies from eternal destruction. How great is a God who provides the access and the provision to all that we need?

Isaiah 53

5 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.

What was the cost to the Father for this provision for forgiveness and healing? It was the death of His Son. The cost to redeem mankind for transgressions reached all the way to heaven itself. Although Jesus died for our sin as a sacrifice, He has been raised from the dead by the Father. The Father has opened a portal into heaven itself for those who would accept Jesus as Lord and follow Him into eternity. The pain and persecution He faced on this earth was the price for our healing. How could we not expect healing in our life with a cost so great? We have a responsibility to believe for what He has provided.

Psalms 107

20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Jesus is the Word and was sent by God to this earth to demonstrate the Will of the Father. From the beginning of time the Father chose His Son to come to a small planet in the vastness of space to visit His creation and heal them. He not only healed His creation but placed the promise of healing into His Word that others may enjoy the same health that was felt by those that He touched. This touch is just as powerful and personal in the Word of God recorded in the Bible. Many would ask, "If His touch in the Word is that personal then how do I apply it to my life?" This is the question that we will continue to explore as we search the scriptures. While we know that belief, faith, and a relationship are elements that invite His healing into our life, there is one thing that I know and that is He lives and desires to touch me with His healing. I must open my life to Him and let Him touch me and make me whole in body, soul, and spirit. To know this is to continue the pursuit for His Will to be fulfilled in our lives. In our pursuit we find the Lord will lead us along the way in the midst of our struggles to become what He desires. Chose to obey and enjoy all that He has for your life.

1 Peter 2

24 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.

In 1 Peter 2:24, we see the Lord's request for us to live unto righteousness though the redemption that He has provided with His substitutionary work on the Cross. There is access to all that God has for our lives including healing through the work of forgiveness of sin. We should demonstrate the righteousness He has provided by living for Him. Only by following Him will I ever find healing for my soul and body. Along this journey in life there are so many pains and hurts that would seek to not only affect our lives but try to influence our heart. Many try to see though the eyes of faith and expect God to touch their lives but fail to receive the outward manifestation of their healing when they cannot see the results immediately in their life. Remain in expectation for what was written and spoken by Christ.

Psalms 147

3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

So many lives that I meet in the streets are carrying pain in their hearts. Some of the homeless individuals that I have met became homeless with the loss of a child or divorced by a spouse. The pain had caused their life to be shattered and there was nothing in their life that they could hold on to. In this chaos of pain and suffering they lost all that they had and found themselves with nothing. I have watched many touched by Jesus as they opened their hearts to their pain and allowed Him to touch them and save their soul. I have chosen to remember those that were destitute and those who had nothing. Someone must care and someone must share. Will you be that one to tell them that there is hope to heal a broken heart?

I was in San Jose, California walking the streets along the trolley car tracks, and walked up to a lady sitting on a bench, and sat down beside her. I shared with her that I was an evangelist and shared with her there is so much in life that we face and the only way that we can live is in Christ. I told her that anyone can find themselves homeless or even face death. I noticed that she began to cry and she said, "I am homeless. Only a few weeks ago I was in a wonderful job and was fired. I have lost everything including my home." I was so sad to hear this. I am not sure I will ever forget this and the expression of fear upon her face. She was dressed as a professional business woman and she did not look homeless. As she cried she said, "How do I live in a shelter? I do not want to be hurt or raped. I am a Christian and love God. I need His help in my life. I want to live and come out of the streets."

As we talked I could hear the pain in her heart from those who had hurt her at work and she held much unforgiveness. I took the next thirty minutes to teach her on spiritual warfare. She was now able to understand the attack against her life and knew how to walk out of this situation through faith and to use the authority given to her as a believer in Christ. Suddenly I saw hope rise up within her. I did not want to leave but I knew I must. I cannot meet every need that I find. The church must step forward and assume its position to care for a world in pain. I choose not to criticize the church but to challenge it to do the

works of Christ in the very city in which they live. I thank God for the opportunity to met someone in need and to share Christ's Word with them. I pray that she will find her way back into society without harm or any further pain. What must we do to help those who are hurting? Challenge your church to care for those who are hurting in your community. Where are those who care and have the ability to help?

I saw other homeless people who were hurting and others who had so many needs that same day. I saw one man who was so distressed that it was hard to look upon him and see the suffering and the pain. As I looked I saw his hair was so matted, his beard so unkept, his clothes were the same color of dirt. It was as if the earth was swallowing up this man and he was becoming part of what surrounded him. I passed him by and walked on down the sidewalk as I was attempting to approach a leader of the Latin King Gang to witness. Was it my own heart's desire to lead a bad gang member to Christ and pass someone with so much need in their life as this homeless man? Had I missed what the Lord wanted me to do and what He wanted me to see? Later I felt so sad that I had not offered the homeless man any food or extend my hand to lead him to Christ. He looked so bad that I felt what I saw was a man slipping away into eternity with no one to care. Later the Lord reminded me that when we minister unto the least of them, we minister unto Him.

Matthew 25

- **35** For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:
- **36** Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.
- **37** Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?
- **38** When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?
- **39** Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?
- **40** And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

The concern that we are to have for others is so close to the Heart of Christ that He did not separate the needs of others who were hurting from His own feelings. He feels the pain and the suffering. Let your heart see others' needs and sufferings and show your love by demonstrating your concern. Do it for Him and do it for them. Christ's heart yearns for those in pain. Why must we struggle with our own needs that often seem so meaningless and not see the needs of others? Look past your life and look into the eyes of Christ as you look unto someone in need and touch them as if you were ministering unto Christ.

The suffering of this homeless man would not even compare to the sufferings of Christ last days on this earth. Imagine how it would have been to look upon Christ with the sufferings that were laid upon Him.

Isaiah 53

- **3** He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.
- **4** Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
- **5** 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.

Christ was beaten, scourged, and tortured. Many could not look upon His face that portrayed the image of suffering for mankind. In spite His sufferings he was despised and rejected. Imagine the grief and pain He felt. The cost of our healing was through His sufferings. Provision for healing was not only promised but the cost was paid in full through the stripes that were laid upon His body.

Psalms 107

- **19** Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses.
- **20** He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

His Word contains the essence of life along with the freedom and health we desire. The Word of God will transform a life and a soul. Those who know Christ can carry His Word in their hearts and share what He has given them with another and see it produce its purpose on this earth. The Word will deliver and heal but it must be revealed. If all would know what the Word truly contains then we would see more of His Will fulfilled on this earth. He has always chosen to reveal His Will to His people in advance of His touch. We will see a great demonstration of His love for His creation as the revelation of His Word reaches into the very heart of those expecting His touch. Share His Word and expect His touch upon your life and the lives of others.

Matthew 4

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

His Words and His Name alone can heal and save a soul. Often, I wonder how I can share this Name with more hearts. I speak to the Lord about this often and seem to feel that this is not my own heart's desire, but I feel it is the desire of the Father. As I seek to understand this emotion I seem to hear yet another way to share this gospel with this world. While my ministry uses so many forms of technology to share Christ and to train evangelists, the most powerful way to share this Name with others is from your heart to others. Open up your life for His call and to receive His purpose in your life. The Lord seeks to equip you to share His Will with this world.

Chapter Five Reaching Into The Heart of God

James 4

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you....

As I began to write this book I knew that I would experience further change in my life as God ministered to me what He wanted to share with others. He spoke quietly though His voice in the scriptures and to my heart. There have been so many times where He reached into my heart to change me so that He may move my life closer to Him. All the while it was my own hearts desire to reach into His heart. I wanted to know and experience His desire to touch lives that I may understand how to describe His heart. Through the scriptures and my own life I have seen how personal God is. I have found His heart to be all that I desire in my own life. While we are in pursuit of Him there are so many influences that seek to grip our soul and separate us from the closeness that we should experience. Seek to strengthen the weak areas of your life through His Word and choose His Will for your life.

Romans 8

1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

We must desire to walk with God and strive to continue that walk. When we consider that He gave everything to redeem our souls, will you give Him everything? Will you give Him your life? So many of God's promises are conditional through His Word. He seeks a vessel that is prepared for Him.

So many people want revelation from God and for Him to be close to them. Some find Him in times of revival and others in times of tragedy. We seem to be able to hear Him more in these focused times. We should ask ourselves why we do not hear Him all the time. Our entire life is a journey towards eternity and its course is often uncertain. We could enjoy the journey if we walk with God and obey His voice.

Many times we seem to struggle for a Word from God that would bring us revelation and direction for this journey. The Lord wants to speak to us but oftentimes is limited because of the condition of our heart. The challenge to walk with God is thought of as difficult by some and impossible by others. Remember that when you begin a walk with God, He will be with you along this journey to lead you to His destination. Be a follower of Jesus Christ.

Deuteronomy 28

9 The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

The Lord wants to establish you unto Himself. He has placed an image of Himself into the Word. He desires for us to conform to this image. We must learn how to be obedient unto Him and allow our life to be fulfilled in Him. Our relationship through obedience to God will cause us to seek more of His heart.

2 Corinthians 3

18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Through prayer and searching in the scriptures we can reach the heart of God. However, we must seek Him with all of our heart. There is so much that He desires to share from His heart to yours. His real desire and focus upon this earth is His children.

God is in search of those that are in search of Him. David was such a man who had a desire to do the Will of God. The scriptures testify when God declared that David was a man after God's own heart

Acts 13

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found

David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23 Of this man's seed hath God according to his promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

The Lord was pleased with David and chose him to be the lineage of the Son of God. What a testimony to a man! He was once an adulterer (2 Samuel 11:1-4), and a murderer (2 Samuel 12:9). David did not posses the ability to serve God as he desired, but he pursued a relationship with God that was greater than himself. His pursuit brought him the mercy and forgiveness of God. To receive such a relationship is to know that all God desires for us is available if we simply open up our life to Him. Without God we cannot change our heart, but we can change our pursuit and will to follow Him at all costs. We should be a people of repentance and have a desire to do the Will of God.

Psalms 19

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

David had reached into the heart of God to such an extent that God had indeed reached into his. Many desire the same for their life but lack the ability to continue the pursuit. Each step that we take must be a step of obedience and a founded knowledge of the redemptive nature of God. Each step will take you closer to the heart of God and give you the ability to take the next step. His strength is in the pursuit, and the closer that you allow Him to bring your relationship the more of His heart that you receive and the greater the ability to continue the pursuit. David discovered this and pressed into the very heart of God. He trusted that his relationship was greater than the sinful nature that sought to destroy him. David discovered that God would change what he had not been able to change. How beautiful to know that God will not only change our nature but forgive our sins. God has made the journey into His heart possible by His own nature!

Psalms 26

2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

Chapter Six Healing Through The Word

Throughout the bible we find God's promises concerning healing. His Word not only contains His promise but the very essence of healing. As you read the scriptures, receive His healing into your heart and let the scriptures touch every need in your body, soul, and spirit. It is with faith that we receive His promises. See yourself through His eyes as you read His Will for your life. Let Him fulfill the very Words that you read into your own heart.

Exodus 15

26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee.

Exodus 23

25 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.

Deuteronomy 5

33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

Psalms 30

2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

Psalms 34

19 *Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.*

Psalms 103

- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
- 3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Psalms 107

20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Psalms 119

89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

Psalms 145

- **15** The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.
- **16** Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.
- 17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.
- **18** The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.

Proverbs 4

- **22** For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.
- 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Isaiah 41

10 Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Isaiah 53

- **4** Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
- **5** 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 55

11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Jeremiah 17

14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.

Matthew 4

23 And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

Matthew 8

- **14** And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.
- **15** And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

Matthew 9

- **20** And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment:
- **21** For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.
- **22** But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

Matthew 10

- 7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.
- **8** Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

Matthew 11

4 *Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see:*

5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

Matthew 12

15 But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;

Matthew 14

36 And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole.

Matthew 18:19 Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 19

- 1 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan:
- **2** And great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.

Matthew 21

14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.

Mark 3

10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.

Mark 6

- **5** And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed them.
- **6** And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching.

Mark 10

- **49** And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.
- **50** And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus.
- **51** And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.
- **52** And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

Mark 11

- **23** 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.
- **24** Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Mark 16

- **15** And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
- **16** He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
- **17** And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
- **18** 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.

Luke 4

18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

Luke 5

- 12 And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.
- **13** And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

Luke 9

11 And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing.

Luke 10

- **8** And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:
- **9** And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

Luke 17

- **11** And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.
- **12** And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off:
- **13** And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.
- **14** And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go show yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.

John 9

- 1 And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.
- **2** And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?
- **3** *Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.*
- **4** I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.
- **5** As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.

6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

John 10

10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

John 14

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

John 15

7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

John 16

- **23** And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.
- **24** Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.
- **25** These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall show you plainly of the Father.
- **26** At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

Acts 2

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

Acts 3

- 1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.
- **2** 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;
- **3** Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.
- 4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.
- **5** And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.
- **6** 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.
- 7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.
- **8** And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.
- **9** And all the people saw him walking and praising God:

Acts 5

- 12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.
- **16** There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

Acts 9

- **33** And there he found a certain man named Aeneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.
- **34** And Peter said unto him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.
- **35** And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.

Acts 10

38 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 14

- **8** And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:
- **9** The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,
- **10** Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

Acts 19

11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:

Romans 4

- **19** And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:
- **20** He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;
- **21** And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.
- 22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

Romans 8

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Romans 8

32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Romans 10

17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Galatians 3

13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Hebrews 13

8 *Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.*

James 1

- **6** But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.
- 7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

James 5

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

1 Peter 2

24 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 John 5

- **14** And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:
- **15** And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

3 John 1

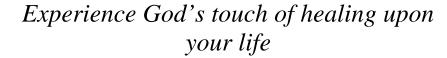
2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

It is my prayer that you will find healing for every need in your life. There is hope through God's Word and faith to expect His touch. God has set in motion certain principles in His Word on behalf of His creation. Receive His healing Word into your heart and enjoy His blessings as He touches every need.

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Many that discover the blessings of God through His Word seek to understand how to appropriate His blessings to their lives and the lives of others.

The Word of God not only contains the health that we seek but the faith we need to defend its deposit in our heart.

Will you remain unchanged by the Father or will you open your heart and receive a portion of His and know all that brings healing and freedom is available with His touch?

"Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you."

Hosea 10:12



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