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## *Preface*

God bless you mightily in the name of Jesus Christ, our healer.

As we develop an understanding from the Scriptures concerning how to access our promised healing from God, we are faced with a number of spiritual dilemmas. How can it be that healing is such a prominent part of the Bible, and we encounter marvelous stories of people being healed by God, and yet where are those miracles and gifts of healings when we need them?

The following study is exciting, and at the same time challenges us to step further into the healing deliverance which Jesus Christ fully purchased for us. This is not a book of formulas. Instead, it shares principles and illustrations of faith for healing which have helped many believers gain their promised healing from God. It is not meant to be an exhaustive treatment of the subject. Instead it is meant to encourage faith in the healing power of our heavenly Father and His Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May this study deepen the spiritual connections and bring understanding that will propel us into a fuller utilization of our Savior's healing touch.

Sincerely with you for His healing,

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*Chapter One*

***Understanding Our Spiritual Authority***

One cannot begin teaching how to acquire healing without first sharing about the spiritual authority Jesus gave to the children of God.<sup>1</sup>

Spiritual authority is like being a policeman who stops big diesel cargo trucks in the road for one reason -- the authority of the uniform. Spiritual authority was given to believers in Colossians 1:13 (*Who hath delivered us from the authority of darkness...*), Mark 16:17-20 (*And these signs shall follow them that believe...*), and John 14:12 (*...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*).

There is no “maybe” to these words. Spiritual authority was demonstrated and then practiced by the disciples and the seventy in Luke 9 and 10. Jesus was their coach. He is still that today, and He is ready when you are to get started.

Authority is something we grow into. The brand new policeman without experience is often not sure he really has authority despite the uniform. It takes a while to get used to both having it and using it.

Some believers under great affliction hold onto their sanity with words like, “It must not be God’s will for me to be healed, or it must not be God’s timing.” This kind of thinking becomes a false doctrine which undermines one’s faith in the healing promises of God, and it undermines their spiritual authority to use them. Such promises as I Peter 2:24 tell us that by the stripes of Jesus Christ, we were (already) healed. But learning to take our God-given authority to employ this promise is the reason why this book has been written.

We are already healed the moment we determine to believe the many healing promises in God’s Word instead of believing our symptoms or pain. The promise of healing from God is contractually ours! The Word of God says so with no ambiguity or uncertainty. But our confession too often is driven by what we see or feel rather than to the literal promises of God. Our reliance on our five senses undermines our spiritual confidence, which undermines our spiritual authority to receive the guaranteed promises of healing that are written in the Scriptures, the Word of God.

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<sup>1</sup> To be a child of God is to have asked Jesus Christ into your heart to invite Him to be the Lord, i.e. the boss, of your life. All men and women have sinned. But Jesus Christ lived and taught, and was killed by people who never realized that His death would become the ultimate sacrifice to pay for the sins of all the world. God raised Him from the dead, and now He ever lives to come and help all those who ask Him into their heart. Regardless of your condition, He is ready to help as you ask Him to come and be the Lord of your life. If you have not yet done this, why not take a moment now and ask Jesus Christ to come into your heart and forgive your sins, and become the Lord of your life?

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Why not declare that the blood of Jesus Christ (our Passover) will cover your house, and that sickness must pass over you and your family? Our authority for every one of the promises of God rests in the blood of Jesus Christ. But until one takes authority over sickness, sickness will take authority over them. It is possible to command sickness to die at the doorstep. God is eager to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think in faith.

Some believers believe it is up to God to move to heal when they pray. But God has already given healing in Jesus Christ (I Peter 2:24; Matthew 8:17). Is it faith to keep asking for things the Lord has already given?

I often have this discussion with believers who are praying for God to heal them. They believe it is faith to pray, and they are hoping that God's healing will come. They are expecting healing to happen as a future event after they pray. The truth, however, may even sound heretical to you. The Scriptures declare differently. Our healing is not a future event, but a past event! It becomes a past event the moment I Peter 2:24 is declared and believed.

### *I 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**.*

Notice the past tense character of the following healing verses as well. If we are going to see the healing power of God regularly and consistently in our lives, we must see this truth clearly: God has already healed. We will come back to these verses often, so please look them over well, and let them sink into your heart. They are God's Word. They are governing truth for all healing from God.

Praying as if God has not healed in each situation is contrary to the spiritual accomplishment of Jesus Christ. We must exchange our senses faith for the spiritual reality of His actual truth – that our healing is a done deal. Our starting point in receiving our healing is therefore to declare it done, as an “it is written” fact rather than a future possibility.

### *Matthew 8:17*

*That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet , saying, **Himself took** our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.*

### *Psalms 107:20*

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

One day I was explaining this principle to a beloved saint. That believer was convinced that because they were praying, God would heal her. She became a little frustrated, thinking that she was exercising faith by recognizing that God could heal her. I mentioned that she actually did not have the faith that she thought she was having. And then God showed me an illustration to give to her.

As we were talking, I noticed a pen lying near us. I picked it up and said, “This pen is a promise of God.” Then I put it on the table. I waited for the pen to pick itself up and begin writing. It didn't. I then explained that the pen, like every promise of God, must be picked up and used in order to accomplish its purpose. God is waiting for us to pick up our healing and walk in it, based

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upon His literal promises, and the revelation he will supply as we ask His counsel in each health situation. He has given us our healing in Jesus Christ. Our job is to pick it up in faith and use it! What a wonderful heavenly Father we have!

Does declaring a promise from God's Word before it is observed in the physical deny reality? Does this deny reality? No. It declares spiritual reality in the very same way that Abraham declared it before receiving the promise of a child in his old age.

*Romans 4: 18b-24*

*...to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.*

*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.*

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

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

***And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.***

*And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.*

*Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;*

*But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;*

What was it that Abraham became fully persuaded of? The same thing Noah, Enoch, Sarah and all the other saints were persuaded of in Hebrews 11 –the truth of the words that God spoke to them. They were not fully persuaded of the written Scriptures because those words had not been written at the time. Instead, they were persuaded of every word that proceeded out of the mouth of God, as spoken to them privately by the Lord. When Abraham crossed from unbelief in the promise, to faith in God's promise, he received that promise. So it is with our promise of healing from God. We must learn not to stagger in unbelief at the words the Lord will speak to you as well as the words written in the Scriptures.

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