

# THE SEED THAT HEALS

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"For as the rain comes down,
And the snow from heaven,
And do not return there,
But water the earth,
And make it bring forth and bud,
That it may give seed to the sower
And bread to the eater.

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to me void,
But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."
(Isaiah 55:10-11.)

God is speaking here about His Word. He likens it to the rain and snow which falls on the ground and waters the earth, so as to cause it to bring forth seed which grows into wheat which is harvested and then made into bread.

There is always a result as God's Word goes out and is heard by many. It is ready to bring forth the fruit of salvation and healing.

In Luke 8:5-18, Jesus speaks of the four types of ground and likens the seed into the Word of God.

The first type of ground upon which the seed of the Word of God can fall is by the wayside where it is trampled down and the birds of the air devour it.

The second is where it falls on a rock and as soon as it springs up it withers away because it lacks moisture.

The third is that which falls among thorns and the thorns spring up and choke it.

The fourth type is that which falls on good ground, springs up and yields a crop a hundredfold.

Jesus explains this parable by saying that the seed is the Word of God and those by the wayside are the ones who hear. Then the devil comes and takes away the Word out of their hearts lest they should believe and be saved.

The second type of ground is when the seed falls on the rock and the people are overjoyed when they hear the Word but have no root. They believe for a while and then in time of temptation they fall away.

The third type of ground is where the seed falls among the thorns and those who hear it go out and are choked with cares, riches and pleasures of life and bring no fruit to maturity.

The fourth type of ground is the good ground where people hear the Word with a noble and good heart. They keep it and bear fruit with patience.

The Word which Jesus is referring to here is the seed is the Word of God which brings both salvation and healing.

Those who listen carefully to the Word, believe it, act upon it and obey it are those who will be saved because they are believing God and following His commandments.

Similarly, if a person believing for their healing takes into their heart and fully believes the Word of God, take this scripture for example, "By His stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5) then the Word will prosper and bring forth the fruit of healing.

I have prayed for thousands of people for healing and I'm fully aware that despite the fact I continuously point people to Jesus as the Healer that many of them were looking to me for healing. They have heard the testimonies of others who have been healed and think that this preacher will heal them. Obviously they will be disappointed.

When people do this there is a great danger that the devil will snatch the Word of God for healing out of their heart.

That is why we must keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and believe the promises of healing in the Word of God.

If the Word is falling on good ground, then it will prosper. Like any seed it will take time to grow.

If the ground upon which falls is good ground, i.e. if the person's heart and faith are fully centred on Jesus Christ, then immediate healing can take place.

For many people however, healing is a process and it will only prosper as people continuously believe the Word of God and obey it. I have seen many people healed over a period of time as they have continued to believe without doubt the Word of God.

Unbelief, doubt, fear and involvement in deliberate sin will hinder that seed growing.

The following are keys to healing which I have found very useful in encouraging people for their healing. As they have repented of each of their sins and continue to faithfully follow the Word of God believing it, then the power of God can fall upon them for healing. In other words they have good ground in their heart.

# **Keys to healing principles:**

#### 1. Put God first.

"You shall have no other gods before Me." (Exodus 20:3.)

### 2. Honour your parents.

"Honour your father and your mother that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." (Deuteronomy 5:16.)

<sup>&</sup>quot;God is a jealous God." (Deuteronomy 6:15.)

# 3. Forgive.

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

The Lord's prayer; "And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us." (Matthew 6:12.)

Jesus said, "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:14-15.)

Jesus said, "And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. "So my heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses." (Matthew 18:34-35.)

#### 4. Have faith in God.

So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God." (Mark 11:22.)

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

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

## 5. Have a healthy diet and exercise.

We need to discipline our body.

The apostle Paul said, "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified." (1 Corinthians 9:27.)

As we daily surrender our lives to Jesus Christ, read His Word and act upon it then the good ground in our heart allows the seed of healing to grow.

We recently prayed for a lady whose body was not producing any insulin which resulted in her having diabetes for 14 years.

Over a period of two months this person regularly prayed to God with complete faith, hope in Him and obeying His Commandments.

The other day she went to her doctor for tests. After the result of these tests the doctor said she had no more need for medication. She was completely healed. Praise God!

Returning to our opening Scripture, God speaks of the rain and snow from heaven watering the earth and thus causing it to bring forth seed.

Jesus likened the Word of God to water when He said, "But whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." (John 4:14.)

When we are believing God for our healing we should be speaking out and believing such scriptures as;

"By His stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5.)

God's Word always prospers, in other words, when you are prayed for, or are praying for yourself, then something is happening i.e. healing is taking place.

Are you continuing to act upon God's Word and continuing to receive your healing by obedience to God?

Are you worshipping Him and obeying His commandments? Or are you just walking away and falling into unbelief, so that the devil snatches away that water of the Word of God that God has given you for healing?

What sort of ground is in your heart?

Have you fully surrendered to Jesus Christ, putting Him first in your life and obeying His Commandments?

The Word of God is like rain and snow falling upon us to bring forth faith in God and His power to heal. As you continuously read and believe that Word and act upon it then it shall prosper in your life to heal you.

The Seed of the Word of God is watering the ground of your heart. What type of ground is in your heart? In other words, whether we are healed can depend

<sup>&</sup>quot;I am the Lord, who heals you." (Exodus 15:26.)

<sup>&</sup>quot;I will take sickness away from the midst of you." (Exodus 23:25-26.)

<sup>&</sup>quot;He sent His word and healed them." (Psalm 107:20.)

<sup>&</sup>quot;I will not die but live and declare the works of the Lord." (Psalm 118:17.)

on the type of ground in our heart. God's Word never returns void, i.e., it has touched us for healing so are we really believing it?

Is the Word of God continuing to grow in your heart, as you daily pray to God, seek His face and trust Him at His Word?

We need to believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross to forgive us for our sins and to give us the gift of eternal life.

The commandments of God are that we love Him with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, love our neighbour as ourselves and love one another as Jesus loved us.

We need to be in fellowship with other believers and belong to a church which trusts, clings to, and obeys Jesus Christ.

We should read our Bible daily with a plan which takes us through it in a year. In this way our spirit can be fed by the Word. These reading plans are available in most Christian bookshops.

As we read the Word of God our faith for healing increases immensely. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God." (Romans 10:17.)

We should also seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit, i.e. receive the power of the Holy Spirit as Jesus told us to do. The result of this is speaking in tongues. (Acts 1:4 and 8, Acts 2:1-4.)

As God says, "Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever." (Deuteronomy 5:29.)

"By the stripes laid on Jesus Christ you were healed." (Isaiah 53:5.)

#### Summing up;

- 1. The Word of God is like rain or snow which falls as water on the ground becoming like seed that grows and produces grain.
- 2. The ground is our heart. We must have full belief and trust in the Word of God.
- 3. The Word of God never returns empty. The moment it touches the ground of our heart then healing begins.

- 4. If our heart does not have good ground, then the seed will not grow and healing will not take place.
- 5. If we trust and obey God and believe His Word absolutely then our heart will be good ground and the seed will flourish and healing can take place.

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