

MESSAGES ON DIVINE HEALING

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INTRODUCTION

This booklet is a collection of messages on Divine Healing by Rev. Dr. Don Gossett. These first appeared in several series of Bible Study Cards. They are scriptural, succinct and powerful.

Don has served the Lord Jesus as an international evangelist and author for over 55 years. He learned from and ministered with some of the 20th century's most powerful healing evangelists, such as William Freeman and T. L. Osborn. Don has been used in God's healing ministry all over the world.

As you read and meditate upon these messages, let God's word dwell richly within you, igniting your faith, and bringing forth your healing. God's word says, "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17).

May you experience God's health and healing always.

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THE ALPHABET OF HEALING

(26 Miracle-Producing Healing Scriptures)

By Don Gossett

Use these miracle-producing healing scriptures from the ALPHABET OF HEALING. to believe and confess your way to supernatural healing and health in Jesus' Name!

- A.** "**ATTEND** to my words; incline thine ear to my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart." Proverbs 4:20-22.
- B.** "**BELOVED**, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers" 3 John 2.
- C.** "**CREATE** in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me" Psalm 51:10.
- D.** "**DEAL** bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy Word" Psalm 119:17.
- E.** "**EFFECTUAL** fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" James 5:16.
- F.** "**FORGET** not all His benefits...who healeth all thy diseases" Psalm 103:3.
- G.** "**GOD** anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him" Acts 10:38.
- H.** "**HIMSELF** took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" Matthew 8:17.
- I.** "**I** am the Lord that healeth thee" Exodus 15:26.
- J.** "**JESUS** Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever" Hebrews 13:8.
- K.** "**KNOW** ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" 1 Corinthians 6:19-20.
- L.** "**LAY** hands on the sick and they shall recover" Mark 16:18.
- M.** "**MERRY** heart doeth good like a medicine, but a broken spirit drieth up the bones" Proverbs 17:22.
- N.** "**NAME** through faith in His name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all" Acts 3:16.
- O.** "**OUGHT** not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond?" Luke 13:16.
- P.** "**POWER** of the Lord was present to heal them" Luke 5:17.
- Q.** "**QUICKEN** your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you" Romans 8:11.
- R.** "**RESIST** the devil and he will flee from you" James 4:7.
- S.** "**SENT** His word and healed them" Psalm 107:20.
- T.** "**TALK** ye of all His wondrous works" Psalm 105:2.
- U.** "**UNTO** you that fear my Name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings" Malachi 4:2.
- V.** "**VIRTUE** went out of Him and healed them all" Luke 6:19.
- W.** "**WITH** His stripes we are healed" Isaiah 53:5.
- X.** "**EXPECTATION** is from Him" Psalm 62:5.
- Y.** "**YOUTH** is renewed like the eagles" Psalm 103:5.
- Z.** "**ZEALOUS** of spiritual gifts" 1 Corinthians 14:12.

BROKEN BONES HEALED

GREAT JOY

By Don Gossett

When I first launched into the Gospel ministry full-time, I was the guest at the home of some friends. One day I was playing with their five-year old son, who persistently begged me to swing him around by holding to his arms. Picking him up suddenly, I felt his little bones break right in my strong hand. His parents were terrified. They rushed him to the doctor in a small nearby town; he made x-rays, and came out with a disheartening verdict, "The boy's arm is so badly broken, major surgery will be required to set the bones. I am not equipped to perform that operation here; I will call the nearest hospital, and request they prepare for surgery."

We rushed the boy to this hospital 50 miles away. The boy was seated between his parents in the front-seat; I was alone in the back-seat. I felt sick at heart to think that this little fellow was having to face surgery, and I had actually broken his arm in the accident! Aware of the gravity of the condition, I took my New Testament from my pocket to read. John 16:24 opened up to me, "Ask in My Name, and ye shall receive, and your joy shall be full!"

With tears in my eyes, I prayed, "Lord, what full joy this would bring to us if you will heal this broken arm, even as we journey now. In the Name of Jesus, I ask Thee to heal this broken arm and make it every whit whole!" That was a most earnest prayer. The boy soon fell asleep for the rest of the trip.

When we arrived, the doctors were ready for surgery. First, however, they needed to make their own x-rays, to determine how to operate. In about 15 minutes, they returned with baffled expressions on their faces. They showed us the x-rays: no indication at all of any broken bones!

While these fine physicians were astonished, we had "fullness of joy" that Jesus had miraculously intervened, and healed the boy's broken arm! Hallelujah! What jubilation we had! How we thanked our triumphant Christ!

The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad" Psalm 126:3.

BY HIS STRIPES, I AM HEALED

By Don Gossett

(A Personal Confession)

1. "With His stripes, we are healed" Isaiah 53:5. This prophecy given to Isaiah was concerning our Lord Jesus Christ and the bleeding wounds He was to endure to provide healing for His people. It is a finished work. Jesus has endured the striping.
2. No matter what symptoms are present, by His stripes I am healed. I confess this fact in the presence of symptoms that would contradict. "We walk by faith, and not by sight" II Corinthians 5:7.
3. Regardless of other opinions about my health, by His stripes I am healed. Others may think I look badly, they may pass their opinion about my state of health, but the truth prevails: by His stripes I am healed.
4. In spite of past experiences, by His stripes I am healed. I may have sought for healing before that was not manifested, but this is a new day for me; by His stripes I am healed.
5. When pain strikes my body, by His stripes I am healed. It may be true that pain is there in my body, but I know greater truth: by His stripes I am healed!
6. When things appear all wrong in health condition, His truth still prevails, by His stripes I am healed. When things appear all right and my health examinations are solid, it's because by His stripes I am healed.
7. Wherever I am, regardless how I feel, I hold fast my joyful confession of His truth, by His stripes I am healed.
8. "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, you were healed" I Peter 2:24.

CONFESSION PRECEDES POSSESSION By Don Gossett

The way the faith system works: "With the mouth confession is made unto salvation" Romans 10:10. "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" 11 Corinthians 4:13.

1. I confess **"So will I save you and you shall be a blessing" Zechariah 8:12**, I possess **the ability to be a positive blessing, for by grace through faith I am saved!**

2. I confess **"The Lord shall guide thee continually" Isaiah 58:11**, I possess **the delight of a continually guided life.**

3. I confess **"He giveth His beloved sleep" Psalm 127:2**, I possess refreshing, sound sleep.

My Possession Follows My Confession

4. I confess **"The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil" Psalm 121:7**, I possess **protection from all forms of evil.**

5. I confess **"Blessed be the Lord who daily loadeth us with benefits" Psalm 68:19**, I possess **a life daily loaded with His benefits. (See Psalm 103:1-5)**

6. I confess **"Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee" Job 22:21**, I possess **good things because I am acquainted with the Lord.**

There Is No Possession Without Confession

7. I confess **"If any man serve me, him will my Father honor" John 12:28**, I possess **special honor from my Father for gladly I serve Jesus.**

8. I confess **"He who sows generously shall also reap generously" II Corinthians 9:6**, I possess **bountiful blessings financially for I am a generous cheerful giver.**

9. I confess **"Can two walk together except they be agreed?" Amos 3:3**, I possess **God walking with me for I agree with Him by "speaking the Word" not my problems.**

I Stand By My Confession The Reality Happens

10. I confess **"Rejoice because your names are written down in Heaven" Luke 10:20**, I possess **a smile is my style because my name is written down in the Lamb's Book Of Life.**

11. I confess **"My faith becomes effectual by acknowledging every good thing which is in me in Christ Jesus" Philemon 6**, I possess **an effective faith life.**

12. I confess **"The blessing of the Lord maketh rich and He addeth no sorrow with it" Proverbs 10:22**, I possess **wealth and He adds no grief or pain with it.**

It Is When Boldly I Confess That Then, And Then Only, Do I Possess

13. I confess **"Let the people praise thee, O God, let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase, and God, even our own God, shall bless us" Psalm 67:5-6**, I possess **increase and abundant blessing because daily I praise the Lord.**

14. I confess **"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" Acts 16:31**, I possess **the salvation of all my house: believers are receivers!**

15. I confess **"But you have an unction from the Holy One, and you know all things" 1 John 2:20**, I possess **this unction that makes my service touched with the fragrance of Heaven.**

It Is Confession First Then Possession

FROM THE TOP OF YOUR HEAD TO THE SOLES OF YOUR FEET

By Don Gossett

(Make this a personal confession of faith. This is exciting truth that will minister complete liberation.).

- 1.** I have made an amazing discovery: "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us" Gal. 3:13. What was that curse? It is recorded in Deut., chapter 28, where many diseases came upon the people because of disobedience to God's law. Following a lengthy list of all kinds of diseases, the curse included being afflicted "from the sole of your feet to the top of your head" Deut. 28:35.
- 2.** Christ reversed the curse! Now that I know that Christ Jesus hath redeemed me from the curse of the law, since He was made a curse for me, thus He has reversed the curse and provided for me healing from the top of my head to the soles of my feet! Some folks say, "I can believe the Lord for healing of arthritis or heart trouble, but not for cancer." But it's no harder to believe for one disease than it is for another, for the Lord "healeth all thy diseases" Ps. 103:3.
- 3.** In order for Christ to redeem me from this terrible curse of the law, He was made a curse for me; that is, He bore the punishment prescribed by the law for me. That is why He had to take "our infirmities and bear our sicknesses." What a thrill to know that God so loved me that He paid a great price for my redemption, that is, He's redeemed me from Satan. The price of this redemption was the shed Blood of His only Son. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son" John 3:16.
- 4.** I confess my freedom instead of bondage. I confess by His stripes I am healed instead of sickness. I confess my redemption from all diseases. I confess that the redemption of Jesus was complete from sin and sickness! I confess that Satan's dominion over me was ended at Calvary, because it was there that God freed me from the curse!
- 5.** "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free" Gal. 5:1. I am free! I confess that! I tell the devil that I found out the truth. He's known it all the time, but he has lied to me and blinded my eyes to it. He's kept me from knowing my rights in Christ my wonderful redeemer. "The god of this world (Satan) hath blinded the minds of them which believe not" 2 Cor. 4:4. I tell Satan I found out the truth, the truth has set me free from him!
- 6.** The diseases of my body were laid on Jesus. I never need bear them, because He hath borne them. All I need to do is believe this and begin to confess it. I refuse to allow sickness to dwell in my body because I was healed with Jesus' stripes. This is the end of so called chronic ailments in my body. I will always remember that Satan is a deceiver, he is a liar. Sickness, disease, sin, and infirmities were all laid on Christ. He bore them. He carried them away and left me free and well. I rejoice in this liberty of mine.
- 7.** I am "bought with a price: therefore, I glorify God in my body, and in my spirit, which are God's" 1 Cor. 6:20.
- 8.** I am delivered. I am loosed. By His stripes I am healed from the top of my head to the soles of my feet! "Thank you, Jesus, for my deliverance!"

GOD GIVETH ME WEALTH AND HEALTH

By Don Gossett

FIRST This "power poem" is one some will not easily trust. It has been looked upon to be "unspiritual" to have wealth. And even the gift of health from God is generally pictured as not likely to be obtained.

SECOND The word "wealth" means resources, competence to meet our obligations. God doesn't promise to make us millionaires. But He does provide for our every need (Ph. 4:19) and assures our prosperity and good success if we live by His Word (Josh. 1:8). Delight in the Word of God, meditate in it and God says, "Whatsoever you do shall prosper" Ps. 1:1-3.

THIRD Jesus said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you" Mt. 6:33. Jesus was here speaking about our material provisions (food, raiment, shelter). Jesus did not say that if we seek first the kingdom of God, all these things will be **taken away** from you. No, He said **ALL THESE THINGS--our material provisions--shall be added unto us!**

FOURTH The Bible says, "It is God who giveth thee the power to get wealth" De. 8:18. And it is Satan's business to impoverish our lives, to ruin our Christian effectiveness in paying our obligations. Satan seeks to bring us to embarrassment in financial matters. Agree with God, disagree with the devil!

FIFTH God says, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth" 3 Jn. 2. This is God's "big wish" for us, His children, that we may prosper and be in health, **even as our souls prosper!** How do we prosper in our souls? (1) By Spirit-led prayer, and a positive praise life; (2) By studying God's Word and confessing the scriptures boldly; (3) By witnessing with our lives and lips of Christ to others.

SIXTH When so many of God's people are afflicted and poverty-stricken, and the work of God is reduced to a standstill in some quarters because of lack of finances, it's high time we affirmed these scriptures quoted here, to receive the benefit of God's gifts of wealth and health.

SEVENTH Daily speak it boldly: **GOD GIVETH ME WEALTH AND HEALTH!**

HE HEALETH ME

By E. W. Kenyon

Verse 1.

He healeth me, O blessed thought,
What mighty things through Christ are wrought,
Disease and pain have lost their power,
And I am healed this very hour.

Chorus:

He healeth me, He healeth me,
By His own stripes He healeth me,
In Jesus' Name I am set free
For by His stripes He healeth me.

Verse 2.

He healeth me, what grace divine,
His very life, thank God, is mine!
His blessed Spirit dwells in me
And makes His Word reality.

Verse 3

He healeth me, the Risen One,
For by His stripes the battle's won
Disease and sin He put away
And all my burdens bears today.

Verse 4

My lips are filled with praise and song,
For with His strength He makes me strong;
He lives in me, we two are one;
O'er all my foes the vict'ry's won.

HEALING FOR ELDERLY CHRISTIANS

By Don Gossett

Boldly Confess These Seven Facts

FIRST: I know that "God is no respecter of persons" Ac. 10:34. The Lord has healed hundreds of other elderly Christians; He will also heal me! He is no respecter of persons, nor age. The Father has no favorites. There are no "lucky people" with the Lord. He honors my bold confession of His Word, "By His stripes I am healed."

SECOND: I am glad that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever" Heb. 13:8. The same Lord who has healed my body in the past is my Healer today! He will never, never leave me, nor forsake me.

THIRD: As my days are, so shall be my strength! I may not be as strong at 80 as I was at 18, but for my days I have sufficient strength, healing and health!

FOURTH: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy Name. Bless the Lord, Who forgiveth all mine iniquities, Who healeth all my diseases" Ps. 103:1-3. This includes me! Even in advanced years, the LORD healeth all my diseases!

FIFTH: I do not have to live out my life, suffering with a pain-wracked body. I can continue to enjoy healing and health, until it comes time for the Lord to call me home to Heaven. Like Jacob, I can just "depart to be with the Lord."

SIXTH: Until then, I am boldly taking my privileges in Christ. Jesus did not say, "Lay hands on the **young** sick ones, and they shall be healed." Nor did He say, "All things are possible to them that believe, unless they are past sixty!" Jesus' wonderful "blanket promise" for healing contains no age restrictions.

SEVENTH: I take my healing from Christ by: Rebuking the adversary who is the oppressor (Ac. 10:38); confessing joyfully, "By His stripes I am healed"; praising the Lord for the gifts of healing set in the church for my benefit (I Cor. 12); and acting like God is keeping His Word with me, by "doing His Word."

HEALING OF NERVOUS DISORDER

By Don Gossett

1. The same Lord who healed my wife of a severe nervous disorder, will also heal *you*. Observe the principles on this card; you will be healed, and keep a sound nervous system. Your nervous disorder will be healed by God's order!
2. Remember: no child of God need ever experience a nervous breakdown, nor land in a mental hospital. Knowledge will set you free.
3. Learn to "cast *ALL* your cares upon *HIM* who careth for you" I Pt. 5:7. Live "care-free" in Christ by taking *ALL* your burdens, anxieties, pressures and problems, just as they arise, unto the Lord. It's a wondrous privilege to be able to commit *everything* into God's loving hands.
4. Discover the power of a positive praise life. Oh the amazing power of a real praise life! Praise is the language of faith, and of course, the language of victory! "By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually" Heb. 13:15. Discipline your lips to praise the Lord, especially when you don't feel like it.
5. Here are some of the negative factors that cause nervous disorders... worry, fear, frustration, unforgiveness, sorrow, heartache, distress, bitterness, mental anguish. In the Name of your Saviour cast out these negative spirits from your life. Refuse to allow them entrance again.
6. Cultivate a singing heart. When you feel nervous, sing songs of victory. When griefs arise, sing them down! Songs have wonderful power...power to banish gloom, quicken your spirit, and inspire you to bold courage.
7. Jesus once spoke peace to a troubled, tempestuous sea. To those disquieted nerves of yours, speak it over and over again, "Peace be still!" Those ancient words of Jesus are fresh and vibrant with healing power to dispel every nervous disorder. "By His stripes I am healed!"

HEALING VIRTUE

By Don Gossett

"And the whole multitude sought to touch Him: for there went virtue out of Him, and healed them all" Lk. 6:19.

FIRST: When a demand for healing was made upon Jesus, healing virtue flowed out of His body. A woman with a sickness for 12 long years sought to touch the hem of His garment. When she did, virtue went out of the body of Jesus, and the woman was healed. Read Mk. 5:25-30.

SECOND: The word "virtue" is translated from the Greek word "dynamis", meaning the power of the Spirit". This power of the Spirit, or healing virtue, is invested in every believer. Jesus said "These signs shall follow them that believe . . . they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" Mk. 16:18.

THIRD: This healing virtue is a wonderful manifestation of the Christ-life within the believer. "Not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God" Gal. 2:20. It is **His** life, **His** faith and **His** virtue.

FOURTH: To the one who ministers healing in Jesus' Name, prepare your heart by speaking these bold affirmations: "It is not I, but Christ liveth in me!" When I lay my hands upon the sick, they shall recover!" When I minister to the sick in the Name of Jesus, healing virtue flows from me unto the sick one: this virtue of Jesus healed them all when He walked here; His virtue is the same today!"

FIFTH: Hallelujah! Christ's healing virtue is going out from His body in dynamic power today. We Christians are His body. Now ye are the body of Christ" I Cor. 12:27.

SIXTH: As there was healing virtue in the garments of Jesus (Mk. 5), there are yet special means whereby healing virtue flows (Read Ac. 19:11-12).

SEVENTH Let the healing virtue of Christ flow through your life. The sick will be healed and God will be glorified! Amen.

HOW TO CAST OUT EVIL SPIRITS By Don Gossett

1--Know your enemy. "Not ignorant of Satan's devices" (2 Co. 2:11), learn by the Spirit to discern the presence and work of evil spirits. (1 Co. 12:10).

2--Know your rights. You are an over comer of all of Satan's work because of the blood of Jesus, and the Word of your testimony (Rev. 12:11). Christ has given you power AND authority over all the power of the devil (Lu. 10:19). Dare to use it.

3--Your ground for sure victory is that Jesus defeated Satan, stripped him of his authority, and rose the Eternal Victor! With "Christ in you" count heavily on this unshakable fact: "Greater is He that is within you than he that is in the world" (1 Jn. 4:4). Daily make this your personal testimony!

4- Boldly quote the Words of God against Satan, as Jesus did (Mt. 4). The Word is weapon No. 1 (2 Co. 10:4), the Spirit uses when the enemy comes in like a flood (Isa. 59:19). Often quote the Word aloud to rout the enemy!

5--There are captives all around you that "ought to be loosed" from every bond of Satan. (Lu.13:16). In the mighty Name of Jesus, you can be God's instrument to liberate people from every kind of evil spirit.

6-- Jesus said, "In My Name shall ye cast out devils (demon, evil spirits)" Mk. (16:17). Say, "In the Name of Jesus, I command you evil spirits to depart." Stand your ground fearlessly, without wavering! Evil spirits know they must submit to the Name of Jesus! Read Ph. 2:9-11.

7-- Refuse to be Satan's "dumping ground" where evil spirits produce mental unsoundness, nervous disorders, spirits of gloom, heaviness and depression; physical infirmities and diseases; spiritual bondages. "Resist the devil and he will flee from you" (Js. 4:7.)

8--Plead the power of the blood of Jesus. Live under the blood. Boldly speak God's Word against Satan. We are in a real warfare (Eph.6:12-16). Casting out evil spirits is acting in the unseen "spirit-realm" where you rely on the anointing of the Spirit as Jesus did. Read Lk. 4:18-19 and Acts 10:38. Put on the whole armor of God. Wax bold against evil spirits in the Name of Jesus. You are "more than a conqueror through Christ".

HOW TO PRAY AND GET RESULTS

By Don Gossett

FIRST: Prayer is the way God has appointed that He will work in behalf of humanity. God will do little or nothing for us, unless we ask Him. Js. 4:2. He says, "Call unto me and I will answer thee." Jer. 33:3. Real prayer is simply asking God and expecting to receive the answer!

SECOND: "Come boldly to the throne of grace that you may obtain mercy and find grace to help in the time of need." Heb. 4:16. This is the Bible way to come to God: With boldness, which means confidence and assurance that you are very welcome. Then remove from your life hindrances to receiving answers—an unclean heart and a wrong spirit. Confess your sins to God (1 Jn. 1:9) and ask Him to renew within you a right spirit. (Ps. 51:10).

THIRD: Who can pray and get results? Paul did. So did Daniel, David, Elijah and Abraham. Why? "The effectual fervent prayers of the righteous availeth much." Js. 5:16. But who is righteous today? You are! Knowing that you are righteous is the greatest foundation for a prayer life that gets results. Your being righteous is based only on what Jesus has done for you. (2 Cor. 5:21, Rom. 10:10). As a righteous person, you have influence with God!

FOURTH: "The effectual fervent prayers of the righteous availeth much." Gets results! What does it mean to be righteous? It means you have the ability to stand in God's presence without any sense of sin, guilt or unworthiness. Into God's presence you have come boldly through the blood of Jesus. Heb. 10:19).

FIFTH: Pray about everything (Ph. 4:6). Dare to ask God for miracles (Jn. 16:23-24). "When you pray, believe that you receive and you shall have." Mk. 11:24. Only believing prayer gets results from God. Ask the Father in Jesus' Name. Then believe you have received. . .and you shall have! Now shift from praying to praising! You are fully persuaded that what God has promised, He will perform! Rom. 4:21.

SIXTH: Cease struggling; you have committed your need into God's hands. Rest in the sure promises of God. You have "planted" your request by prayer; "water" it with much praise; expect God to give the "increase"! I Cor. 3:6-8. And He will!

HOW TO RECEIVE A MIRACLE OF HEALING

By Don Gossett

After days of prayer and fasting and rising up boldly in Jesus' Name to act on His Word, the Lord has performed miracles constantly.

In order to prepare you to receive a miracle of healing, may I recommend that you have faith in the same truths of the Word that have enabled me to have great confidence for the performance of the supernatural.

(1) Healing is based on the finished work of Jesus Christ. "With His stripes we are healed" Isaiah 53:5. "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" Matt. 8:17.

(2) Our authority for healing is based on what Christ has done, but we receive the full benefit in the Name of Jesus. Read Acts 3:1-16.

(3) Know the value of your confession of faith. Declare boldly, "By His stripes I am healed."

(4) When you are prayed for, begin to do things you couldn't do before. Don't waver in your faith or you shall receive nothing from the Lord (James 1:6-8). Resist the devil in the Name of Jesus.

(5) Acting boldly is a great secret. Praise the Lord with all of your heart.

(6) It may be helpful to pray and fast before you come for healing. This will help you detach yourself from the realm of the sensual life and attach yourself more surely to the realm of the Holy Spirit.

(7) Make a full consecration of your life to the Lord. He heals you to bring glory to His Name.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul . . . who healeth all thy diseases" Ps. 103:3.

HOW TO STAY SICK BY Don Gossett

"Thou art snared by the words of thy mouth; thou art taken (captive) with the words of thy mouth" Pr. 6:2.

1. Tell others in great detail all about your infirmities. This will not only gain for you sympathy and attention; it will also give you a good conversation piece and discourage the faith of others who may need to trust God for healing and health.

2. Speak like this, "When it comes to healing, I'm a real doubting Thomas; I have to be shown before I will ever believe." Or, "It's so hard to believe God these days. I have such little faith. I've tried trusting God, but it just doesn't work."

3. Here's another key phrase that will help keep you sick, "I must be like the Apostle Paul; I must have a thorn in the flesh. Paul prayed thrice for it to be removed, but his request was denied. So my infirmity must be my thorn in the flesh."

(Definition: Paul's thorn in the flesh was a messenger from Satan sent to buffet him because of the abundance of revelation that God had given him).

4. Tune in on an actual conversation by one who stays sick much of the time and you'll gain tips on how to have the same results in life: "All I know the Bible says about healing is Paul's thorn in the flesh, Job's boils and Timothy's sore stomach. And one of Paul's helpers he left behind sick. Now if healing was to be, surely a great man such as Paul would have been able to bring healing."

5. If you want to stay sick, here's a list of **nevers**: Never confess, "By His stripes I am healed" Is. 53:5, 1 Pt. 2:24. This would boldly honour what Jesus Christ provided when He was striped for the healing of His people. Never confess, "Himself took my infirmities and bare my sicknesses" Mt. 8:17. If you said this, you'd be agreeing with God and this would never help you stay sick. If you talk this way, you bring honour and glory to the dear Son of God who suffered such punishment that you might be healed. Never say, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever" Heb. 13:8. This would be admitting that the same Christ who healed the sick when He walked the shores of Galilee is still the same today in His compassion, power and willingness to heal. This will not do if you want to stay sick!

6. Often tell others about your operations, your afflictions, your health problems in general. This will distinguish you as one who's really "lived" and will keep you on the level of natural living, rather than supernatural life that Christ came to give: "I am come that ye might have life, and that more abundantly" Jn. 10:10.

7. If you have ever received healing or a miraculous answer to prayer, don't talk about it. This may cause you to think that God might do it again, and you could stay sick no longer. Specialize in telling others about those who supposedly "died trusting God." Say, "I knew a dear saint of God, a real Christian, and if God wouldn't heal a wonderful Christian like that, there is no hope for me."

8. If you have had a loved one or relative die of some disease, talk about it often. Say often, "I had faith in God for a long time, but when He wouldn't heal my loved one, then I just lost all faith for healing." Be bitter against God.

9. Every time you hear a wonderful testimony of healing on the radio, TV, or read about one, be sure to scoff and cast doubt upon the authenticity. Declare there was probably an error in diagnosis or something to discredit what God has done.

10. Always say, "I can't get my healing. God just won't meet my need. I'm afraid I'd better do something else than try to trust in God. I'm so weak in my faith. Satan is so powerful and he's the awful oppressor. I've tried before but was defeated. I worry so much whether this condition is cancer. It seems I'm destined to remain in physical bondage. I've had everybody pray for me, but got no results. My faith is shattered. Why should I praise the Lord? I'm so despondent."

11. If you want to stay sick, just practice the ten above steps. If you are "sick and tired of being sick and tired," confess just the opposite and you'll obtain the benefits. What you confess is exactly what you'll possess, whether sickness or health!

I AM SICK AND TIRED OF BEING SICK AND TIRED

By Don Gossett

"And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound, lo these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" Luke 13:16.

(Make this your personal confession of faith.)

1. I rebel *in* Jesus' name against the bonds of the devil. The Bible does not call my sickness a blessing; the Bible calls my sickness a bondage. Sickness is a bond of the devil and from every bond I "ought to be loosed."
2. I am sick and tired of being sick and tired because I have every right to be healed. It cost my Lord dearly to take upon Himself my infirmities and sicknesses. I rebel against sickness with these words, "Get thee behind me, Devil, for thus it is written, 'Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses' Matthew 8:17."
3. I have every right to be healed because of the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ Himself. The only reason worthy of basing my faith for healing is what Jesus has provided for me. His blood alone qualifies me for healing. My right to receive from God is based on the blood. I rebel against Satan's trespassing of God's property by this declaration, "Satan, get thee hence. For thus it is written, 'I was made nigh to God by the blood of Christ' Eph. 2:13."
4. I rebel against this **rebel the devil**, because I have a right to be healed, not because of how good or sincere I have been, but because of those bleeding stripes. I rebel by these words, "Devil, be thou gone, for thus it is written, 'With His stripes we are healed' Isaiah 53:5."
5. I am not ignorant of Satan's devices and I have learned by the Holy Spirit to discern his work of oppression against me. I'm sick and tired of being sick and tired, so I overcome his works by the blood of Jesus and the Word in my testimony. I rebel against this thief by these words, "Devil, I resist you in Jesus' name, for I am depending entirely on the merits of Christ Jesus, 'By Whose stripes I was healed' I Peter 2:24."
6. I shall stand my ground fearlessly in receiving my healing in the name of Jesus. Never again will I be the devil's "dumping ground" of his foul spirits of oppression. I rebel by this statement of authority, "Devil, the blood of Jesus defeats you and I resist you because it is written, 'The anointing shall destroy the yoke' Isaiah 10:27."

I AM STRONG

By Don Gossett

"Let the weak say, 'I am strong' "Joel 3:10.

1. I am strong! This is the paradox of faith: to say I am strong when I am weak. This is faith's confession: I am strong.
2. No matter what I think of myself, I am strong. Regardless of others' opinions about my life, I am strong. When I feel the weakest, I am strong.
3. In spite of past experiences of succumbing to weakness, I rise up with a new testimony of faith: I am strong. It is not just when I feel strong that I say, I am strong. But it is when I even feel weak that I declare, I am strong.
4. God commands me to say, I am strong. This is saying what God says about my life. This is the language of faith. This is the language of victory.
5. Who am I? I am strong. Whatever else I may be, I am strong. Wherever I am, I am strong.
6. What I confess I possess. What I say is what I get. I confess, "I am strong," and I possess strength.
7. Why can I be so sure? Not only in Joel 3:10 but in countless other scriptures, God declares that He is my strength. So I gladly obey His command and say it, "I am strong." Never do I say, "I am weak." This would be disobedience to my God, it would grieve the Holy Spirit.
8. Let the weak say, 'I am strong' Joel 3:10.

MY NEVER AGAIN LIST

A Bold Challenge To "Speak The Word Only" Matt. 8:8

By DON GOSSETT

- FIRST:** Never Again will I confess "I can't," for "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.
- SECOND:** Never Again will I confess lack, for "My God shall supply all my need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19.
- THIRD:** Never Again will I confess fear, for "God hath not given me the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." II Tim. 1:7.
- FOURTH:** Never Again will I confess doubt and lack of faith, for "God hath given to every man the measure of faith." Rom. 12:3.
- FIFTH:** Never Again will I confess weakness, for "The Lord is the strength of my life." Ps. 27:1 and "The people that know their God shall be strong and do exploits." Dan. 11:32.
- SIXTH:** Never Again will I confess supremacy of Satan over my life, for "Greater is He that is within me than he that is in the world." Jn. 4:4.
- SEVENTH:** Never Again will I confess defeat, For "God always causeth me to triumph in Christ Jesus." II Cor. 2:14.
- EIGHTH:** Never Again will I confess lack of wisdom, for "Christ Jesus is made unto me wisdom from God." I Cor. 1:30.
- NINTH:** Never Again will I confess sickness, for "With His stripes I am healed." Isa. 53:5, and Jesus "Himself took my infirmities and bare my sicknesses." Matt. 8:17.
- TENTH:** Never Again will I confess worries and frustrations, for I am "Casting all my cares upon Him who careth for me."
I Pt. 5:7. In Christ I am "care-free!"
- ELEVENTH:** Never Again will I confess bondage, For "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." II Cor. 3:17. My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit!
- TWELFTH:** Never Again will I confess condemnation, for "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." Rom. 8:1. I am in Christ; therefore, I am free from condemnation.

NOT BORN TO BE DEFEATED

By Don Gossett

FIRST: When you were born-again, you were not born to be defeated. You were born to be a conqueror. Declare it, "I am more than a conqueror through Christ!" (Rom. 8:37).

SECOND: When the going gets tough, the tough get going. God says, "Arise, go over!" Don't sit there in defeat. Quit brooding in bewilderment. Shake off that feeling of frustration, and arise . . . Get going, for God is for you! Confess it, "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" Rom. 8:31.

THIRD: Here is how to triumph over that defeatist attitude: You have said, "I can't get my prayers answered." Now you say, "This is my confidence toward God . . . whatsoever I ask, I receive of Him, because I keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight" I Jn. 3:21-22. You have said, "I can't receive my healing." Now you say, "By His stripes I am healed" Is. 53:5, I Pt. 2:24 You have said, "I can't see my loved ones saved." Now you say, "I believe for the saving of my household." (Acts 16:31).

FOURTH: Joshua 1:2-9 is God's formula for victory and success. Our part: "Arise, go over, be strong and of a good courage, be very courageous, be not afraid, neither be dismayed." God's part: "I will be with thee. I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. For the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." The result: "Then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success!"

FIFTH: With God nothing is hard. Jesus said. "Which is easier to say," not "which is harder to say," when He healed the palsied man.

SIXTH: Think victory, not defeat. Speak triumphant words, not defeat. Act like a conqueror, for in Christ . . . you are one!

SOME DON'TS ABOUT HEALING

By Don Gossett

(1) Don't say, "I feel no different." Jesus didn't say, "According to your feelings," but rather, "According to your faith."

(2) Don't say, "I know He is able." He is exceeding abundantly able to heal you, according to the power that is at work within you. Speak these words, "By His power at work within me, He is healing me now."

(3) Don't say, "I hope I get my healing." Hope is a beautiful thing when you are speaking of Heaven or the coming of Jesus again, but hope is always in the future. Faith is now. The hope is usually a failure. The believer is the winner. Say it, "Lord, I believe!"

(4) Don't say, "The disease I have is a known killer." Instead, honour the greatest Name ever spoken, the Name of Jesus. Exercise the authority of this Name. There is absolutely miracle-working ability in the Name of Jesus.

(5) Don't say, "It's not the Lord's will for me to be healed." We cannot find a place in the Bible where it is not the will of the Father to heal everyone. You may say this, but likely you're trying everything you can in your effort to be healed. God's will is God's Word; His Word clearly reveals, "I am the Lord that healeth thee!"

(6) Don't say, "I am suffering for the glory of God." God is more glorified in your healing. Many times in the scripture the statement that follows the account of a miracle healing is, "And they glorified God."

(7) Don't say, "I'm a truthful person. I will not say, 'By His stripes I am healed,' until I know for sure I'm healed." What is truth? "Thy Word is truth." The real truth is the Word. Say what the Word says, "By His stripes I am healed."

THE HEALING STRIPES

By Don Gossett

About the scourging of Jesus, tradition tells us: "A cat-o'-nine tails is a horrible weapon of punishment. Little pieces of metal are woven into each one of the nine thongs. The Roman scourging with this awful whip surpassed all other methods of cruel punishment. It was far worse than being nailed to a cross and left to die. It was so frightful that the condemned often died while being beaten with those metal thongs.

"They tied our Saviour's hands high above His head. Then a big Roman soldier struck Him with that horrible whip with all the strength he had. Thirty-nine times those cat-o'-nine tails gouged His tender flesh. It is said that His ribs and the bones of His back were exposed to view.

"In those 39 lashes which cut His back to ribbons, our Lord took on Himself our misery, our pains and our sicknesses. He suffered the agony of every known disease. He suffered so that not one of you would have to suffer. With His stripes we are healed."

Yes, "through His stripes came healing to us."

David Bush, anointed missionary to Japan, was stricken with a disease that was threatening his life. Bedfast, with intense suffering, Brother Bush received in the mail my former booklet, *The Stripes That Heal*. Reading these same truths we are presenting in this message, Brother Bush took his healing. The next morning he was up from his bed and was made whole!

Why? Because "by His stripes" he was healed.

This provision of Christ for our healing is not for the future. It is not something that will be done if you pray. It is something that has already been done whether you pray or not.

"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" I Peter 2:24

THE TONGUE OF THE WISE IS HEALTH

By Don Gossett

I. Jesus promised, "And he shall have whatsoever he saith" Mark 11:23. My tongue determines whether I shall have health or sickness, whichever I practice saying.

II. How does my tongue minister health benefits to me? I discipline my tongue to say what God says about my healing and health problems. "He sent His Word and healed them" Psalm 107:20. His Word is my healing portion.

III. My tongue administers health to me when I use it to say, "By His stripes I am healed" I Peter 2:24. My tongue is the instrument of health when I affirm, "Jesus Himself took my infirmities and bare my sicknesses" Matthew 8:17.

IV. "Pleasant words are as a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and health to the bones" Proverbs 16:24. Pleasant words — that is, words pleasing to God — minister health to me. What are pleasant words? Words that are spoken in harmony with God's wonderful Word.

V. "Death and life are in the power of the tongue" Proverbs 18:21. My tongue has the power to produce death. How? By speaking words about sickness and disease rather than the healing scriptures. "Thou art snared by the words of thy mouth; thou art taken (captive) by the words of thy mouth" Proverbs 6:2. If I talk about illness and infirmities, rather than the healing Word, my "lips are the snare of my soul" Proverbs 18:7.

VI. "A wholesome tongue is a tree of life" Proverbs 15:4. I know that one day "the tree of life shall be for the healing of the nations" Revelation 22:2. My tongue now is a health-producer for I affirm, "The Lord healeth me of all my diseases" Psalm 103:3.

VII. "The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright" Proverbs 15:2. I have full knowledge of the healing scriptures. My tongue shall affirm them. I say, "I am recovering" Mark 16:18.

VIII. Jesus Christ is my wisdom and makes me a wise person (I Corinthians 1:30). My tongue ministers health to me. By speaking God's healing Words, "They are health to all my flesh" Proverbs 4:22.

Action Time

I thank you, Jesus, that by your stripes I am healed. I thank you, Lord, that you took my infirmities and bore my diseases. I bless you, Lord, that you heal all my diseases. I praise you, Lord, that you sent your Word and healed me and that Word is health to all my flesh right now.

THIS IS MY HOUR OF POWER

By Don Gossett

"According to the power that worketh in us" Eph. 3:20

1. I have power "working in me" for I have God within me. For it is God who worketh in me both to will and do of His own good pleasure" Ph. 2:13. God is actually working inside me, and this I know: "God hath spoken once: twice have I heard this, that power belongeth unto God" Ps. 62:11.

2. I have power "working in me" in the wonderful Name of Jesus. Jesus has deputized me to use the authority of His Name (Jn. 14:13-14). The Name of Jesus is the Name above all names (Ph. 2:9). In the power of His Name, I minister healing to the sick, cast out demons and exercise the authority of Christ in doing His works (Jn. 14:12, Mk. 16:17, Ac. 3:16).

3. This is my hour of power to witness for Christ with effectiveness for He has endued me with power for this purpose (Ac. 1:8, Lk. 24:49). As a witness **endued with power**, I am forever done with anemic, deficient, impotent living. This Spirit-power working in me invigorates my body, refreshes my mind, sustains me in trial and fortifies me to be bold in witnessing (Rom. 8:11, Ac. 4:31)

4. I know that "all power in heaven and in earth" has been given to my Lord (Mt. 28:18). Now by His Spirit He indwells me, so I declare boldly, "Greater is He that is within me than he that is in the world" I Jn. 4:4 Through the Greater One who empowers me, I rout the railing accusations of Satan (Rev. 12:10), I reject condemnation (Ro. 8:1), I refuse fear (II Tim. 1:7), and I overcome his harrassing ways (1 Pt. 5:9),

5. I have "power working in me" when I boldly confess the Word. The Word is the Sword of the Spirit that defeats Satan. My confession of the Word creates powerful results: Healing, strength, money, blessings.

6. I have "power working in me" when I heartily praise the Lord. Praise is power released unto God that brings from Him a mighty response. By simply praising the Lord, supernatural things happen all the time: bodies healed, demons cast out, peace restored to troubled hearts. O, the power of praise! God is restoring to my life this power right now; I shall praise Him! Hallelujah, praise the Lord!

7. This is my hour of power. "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, **according to the power that worketh in us**, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" Eph. 3:19-21

WHAT I CONFESS I POSSESS

By Don Gossett

FIRST: I **confess** Jesus as my Lord (Rom. 10:9-10); I **possess** salvation.

SECOND: I **confess** "by His stripes I am healed" Is. 53:5.; I **possess** healing.

THIRD: I **confess** the Son has made me free" Jn. 8:36; I **possess** absolute freedom.

FOURTH: I **confess** "the love of God is shed abroad in my heart by the Holy Ghost" Rom, 5:5; I **possess** the ability to love everyone.

FIFTH: I **confess** the righteous are bold as a lion" Pr. 28:1; I **possess** lion-hearted boldness in spiritual warfare.

SIXTH: I **confess** "He will never leave me nor forsake me" Heb 13:5-6; I **possess** the presence of God each step I take.

SEVENTH: I **confess** "I am the redeemed of the Lord" Ps. 107:2; I **possess** redemption benefits every day.

EIGHTH: I **confess** "the anointing of the Holy One Abideth in me" I Jn. 2:27; I **possess** yoke-destroying results by this anointing (Is. 10:27).

NINTH: I **confess** "in the Name of Jesus I can cast out devils" Mk. 16:17; I **possess** dynamic deliverances as a devil-master.

TENTH: I **confess** "I lay my hands on the sick and they shall recover" Mk. 16:18; I **possess** positive healings for the oppressed.

ELEVENTH: I **confess** "I am a branch of the Living Vine" Jn. 15:5; I **possess** Vine-life where- ever I go.

TWELFTH: I **confess** "I am the righteousness of God in Christ" 11 Cor. 5:21: I **possess** the ability to stand freely in God's holy presence. and in Satan's presence as a victor!

THIRTEENTH: I **confess** "I am a temple of the living God" II Cor. 6:16. I **possess** God dwelling in me and walking in me!

FOURTEENTH: I **confess** "my God shall supply all of my needs" Phil. 4:19; I **possess** the supply of every need.

WHAT TO DO AFTER HANDS ARE LAID ON YOU By Don Gossett

- 1.** You've acted on Jesus' words: "And these signs shall follow them that believe. . .they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" Mark 16:17-18. You, as a believer, can lay your own hands upon yourself for healing, or it may have been the hands of another believer that have been laid upon you for your healing. You can have great assurance that there shall be a performance of what Jesus has promised, for He watches over His Word to do it. This is a very positive promise; you shall recover. Jesus did not say, "You might recover," or "Hope that you will recover," or "Recovery is possible." Without reservation, Jesus said "You shall recover!" Praise the Lord that you are now recovering!
- 2.** If you have not received an instantaneous miracle, do not cast away confidence. When Jesus walked this earth, He healed people in various ways: many were healed instantly, and yet other people were healed gradually. Whether you are healed instantly or a gradual mending process has begun, you can go your way praising Him, confident that He is keeping His Word with you.
- 3.** Begin to confess it, "I am recovering. Jesus said so and I believe His Word. I am not going on how I look, how I feel, or how others think I look, I have accepted Jesus' Word at face value: I am recovering."
- 4.** James 1 declares that when you ask God for any thing, you must ask in faith, nothing wavering, "For he that wavereth...let not that man think he shall receive anything from the Lord." Any thing includes healing. Your role in this drama of faith is to possess unwavering confidence that the Lord will keep His Word. If you waver in your faith, then you deny yourself the Lord's healing. Do not waver in your confession of faith, "By His stripes I am healed."
- 5.** Until your healing is fully manifested, you are engaged in a fight of faith. It is not a fight against God nor His Word, but a fight against the thief who came to "kill, steal and destroy you" Jn. 10:10. In this conflict, use weapons of your warfare which are mighty through God to the pulling down of satanic strongholds. Confess boldly, unwaveringly, "By His stripes I am healed!"
- 6.** "Should I continue to have hands laid upon me until my healing is fully manifested?" That is not necessary. It would likely be prompted by unbelief which would totally defeat you. Healing comes by acting on Jesus' Word. Once is enough.
- 7.** Act like you are recovering. Begin to do things you could not do before. Praise the Lord that you are recovering. When others enquire of your condition, simply share with them that you are recovering, because Jesus said so.
- 8.** The devil doesn't want you to recover. Here's how to deal with him: "Satan, I resist you in the Name of Jesus. For it is written, they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. In Jesus' mighty Name, I am recovering!"
- 9.** God is no respecter of persons. Thousands of people have been healed through the ministry of laying on of hands. What God has done for others, He is doing for you! Praise Him now for your recovery!

YOUR RIGHT TO BE HEALED

By Don Gossett

Wrong: "I *have* a right to be healed because I have suffered so much."

Right: It is not because of your suffering, but because of Jesus' suffering that you have a right to healing. "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Matthew 8:17.

Wrong: "I have a right to be healed because I have been a good, sincere person."

Right: It is not your goodness nor sincerity that is your basis for healing. The blood of Jesus alone is your right to healing. "With His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:5.

Wrong: "I have a right to be healed because I have been faithful to church and Sunday School."

Right: To receive healing, you must depend entirely on the merits of Jesus Christ. "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree . . . by whose stripes we were healed." 1 Peter 2:24.

Wrong: "I have a right to be healed because my family needs me so much."

Right: This is noble, but it is not the grounds for your claim for healing. The only foundation for healing is that He is "the Lord that healeth all thy diseases." Psalm 103:3. To receive healing, you must depend completely on the mediation of Jesus Christ, that He provided healing by the offering of Himself in our stead.

Wrong: "I need healing so that I may work for the Lord."

Right: The only reason worthy of basing your faith for healing is what Jesus died to provide. His blood alone qualifies you for healing. Your right to receive from God is based on the blood. You were "made nigh (to God) by the blood of Christ." Ephesians 2:13.

Summary: You have every right to be healed! But the only basis for that right is the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ Himself.

Confession: "Himself took my infirmities and bare my sicknesses." "With His Stripes we are healed." "By His Stripes I am healed."

