# 365 DAYS OF HEALING

Powerful Devotions and Prayers
To Help You Recover and Keep You Well

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#### **Foreword**

I was saved in 1972 while attending Michigan State University. I grew up in a good, Christian home, and as far back as I can remember, I had a love for God.

As a child I knew I had a call of God on my life; however, I ran from God as long and as hard as I could for years. Being a Christian seemed to me to be a boring life with no apparent benefits—except that at the end one would go to heaven instead of hell. I wanted in on the heaven part! But I could not understand a God who would pay the price to purchase me and to cleanse me from my sins and make me new inside yet leave me to fend for myself down here on earth.

When I finally surrendered my life to God and asked Jesus into my heart, I found a life of excitement and adventure beyond my wildest dreams. I also found that God doesn't leave us helpless down here; in fact, I found just the opposite.

After being saved, I returned to my hometown and started working in the real estate business. Suddenly I began encountering great financial difficulty. After trying everything else, I opened my Bible to see what God had to say about my finances—if anything.

To my amazement, I found that God had already taken care of my financial needs, and through the truths I found in His Word, He would give me faith to walk in His blessings of an abundant life.

I also discovered Philippians 4:19, which says, "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Over a period of time the truth of that Scripture settled down into my heart, and my financial situation began to change. God had become my source of supply, and He has been faithful to me in the area of finances for more than twenty-five years.

Through that experience, I discovered that God would not only save me but He would also bless and take care of me. But at times I had needs in my physical body as well. Would God make provision for them? I decided to search the Scriptures and see if healing was a part of what Jesus had provided for me through His death, burial and resurrection. And as I studied God's Word in the area of divine healing, I found truths that have changed my life.

Consistently "feeding" on God's Word on the subject of healing produces faith in anyone's heart. Jesus said that all things are possible to those who believe (Mark 9:23), and that includes healing for the body.

I believe that the daily nuggets of truth in this book on God's healing plan will both produce healing to all of your flesh and keep you in divine health all the days of your life.

### Preface

Suppose you went to the doctor to receive relief from pain or sickness and he told you, "I have a new wonder drug I'm going to prescribe for you. There are no side effects, and it's guaranteed to heal you of your condition. Not only that, but it will actually bring health to every part of your body, no matter what the problem or ailment! However, you have to faithfully take it exactly according to instructions."

After hearing that, I bet you'd listen very carefully as the doctor explained how to use this wonderful medicine. You'd want to take your prescription just as instructed so you could receive its full benefits!

You may say, "Well, that's a nice thought, but it's all hypothetical. There is no such wonder drug that can do all that."

I have some good news for you—that imaginary prescription isn't imaginary! The medicine that the Great Physician has provided for you does all that and more!

You see, God says that when you attend to His Word, it's actually life to you and health, or medicine, to your flesh. (Prov. 4:20-22.) When you take God's medicine according to His instructions, it goes to work in your body to drive out pain, sickness and disease. And it doesn't stop until it's made you whole from the top of your head to the soles of your feet!

But in order to walk in divine health, you have to take your medicine every day according to the Great Physician's prescription. That's where this daily devotional comes in.

365 Days of Healing provides a daily dose of God's medicine for you to take as you're on your way to health and wholeness. Make sure you take your divine prescription as instructed. In other words, don't just read your daily dose and then forget about it as you go on your way. Read it over and over. Meditate on its truth until it's planted down in your spirit. Throughout the day, release your faith by saying the confession at the end of each devotion out loud.

As you do so, faithfully acting on the Word you are learning, your health will improve. In fact, I believe it won't be the same at this time next year, but you'll see the effects of God's medicine at work in your body for 365 days—making you healed, strong and whole!

### Plant God's Word in Your Spirit

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 15:7



Many people in the body of Christ today aren't walking in health. They may believe in their heads that healing belongs to them, but they haven't received the revelation of it in their spirits.

To walk in health, we need the basic truths in God's Word on healing lodged deep down

inside us so they can become an effective, working part of our lives. Only then will healing manifest in our bodies.

When I was just beginning to learn how to live by faith, I walked around confessing, "I know I'm healed. I believe I'm healed." The problem was, my body still felt sick! But I kept reading, studying and meditating on the Bible, and God's truth about healing finally dropped down into my spirit. The stronger the Word of God grew on the inside of me, the more I was able to walk in health. Of course, I still have "opportunities" to be sick, but now I choose not to accept them.

What more could we possibly need to know than, "Surely he hath borne our griefs [sicknesses], and carried our sorrows [pains]...and with his stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:4,5)?

So when the devil tries to offer you some symptom, just say, "No, I'm not taking that. That isn't mine. Jesus took my sickness 2000 years ago!"

### Confession

Father, I abide in You, and Your words abide in me. I choose to believe Your Word, which says healing and health belong to me. I walk in divine health because Jesus took my sicknesses and carried my pains.

### Don't Wait on God for Your Miracle



What if you need a miracle, but God doesn't move sovereignly through the gifts of the Spirit to give you one? Don't be surprised if He doesn't; He never promised He would. In fact, God didn't design the gifts of the Spirit for the Church. He intended them to be divine "advertisements" or signs to an unsaved world.

Of course, God loves us so much that He does manifest spiritual gifts among Christians for our blessing, but He doesn't expect us to sit and wait to be blessed by a sovereign move of His Spirit.

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

—Romans 1:17

How do I know that? Look at 2 Corinthians 5:7: "For we walk by faith, not by sight." Notice this verse does not say, "For we walk by the sovereignty of God, and we hope He operates quickly." Nor does it say, "For we sit back and wait for God to move on our behalf, even if it takes forty years." No, it says we walk by faith—not sight.

What happens if a person walks by faith? The same thing that happened to the woman of Canaan in Matthew 15:28: "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt."

God expects believers to *believe*—and use faith to initiate miracles. So don't sit back and wait! Go to God's Word and find out His will; then reach out by faith and take hold of what already belongs to you.

### Confession

I walk by faith and not by sight. Jesus' body was broken for me so I could live free from sickness and pain.

I receive my healing now by faith.

### Take God's Medicine

My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

—Proverbs 4:20-22



In the original Hebrew, this Scripture literally says God's Word is medicine to our flesh. (A marginal note in my *King James Version* Bible substitutes the word *medicine* for the word *health.*) So think about this: What if someone invented a medication that could cure anything wrong with the human body? He'd be rich overnight! People would take that medicine diligently. And yet, if we'd just give God's promises on healing the same credibility we give the medicines developed by medical science, we would have 100 times the results!

(Now, I'm not against medical doctors. In fact, I have several doctors in my close family. Thank God for doctors! They keep people alive until people discover there's a better way.)

God's words may be medicine to all our flesh, but like any other medicine, we have to take it. If we just put it on the shelf and look at it, it won't do any good.

How do we take God's medicine? We hear it and hear it and hear it. Romans 10:17 says, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." When we continually hear God's Word, our faith hooks up and releases God's power—and we rise up healed!

### Confession

God's Word has the power to effect healing in my body. I hear the Word and faith rises in me, releasing God's power and producing what I need.

### Keep Your Faith Hooked Up



Years ago my wife, Janet, and I held four nights of meetings in Capetown, South Africa. We noticed the first night that a lady in her fifties was led to the front for prayer and then led back to her seat afterward.

After the last meeting she shared her testimony with us: "I've been blind for thirteen years and suffered with migraine headaches for a long time. I was instantly healed of the headaches the first night, but as I walked back to my seat I still couldn't see a thing.

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.

-Matthew 14:14

"But I kept coming back each night to feed my faith," the woman continued. "The first night all I could see was a mass of gray. But tonight, I can tell what color your suit is. And by the time you come back, I'll see you!"

This woman kept her faith hooked up once she realized God wanted her healed. Knowing it is God's will to heal us is the same foundation we all must stand on. In fact, you can take a stand right now on God's Word by saying from your heart, "Father, I believe I receive my healing! It's mine now, and I thank You for it in Jesus' name."

You may not look or feel any different, but believe you *are* different. Keep your faith hooked up and hold fast to your confession of faith. Healing may come instantly or over a period of minutes, hours, days, weeks or even months—but it will come!

### Confession

God is able and willing to heal me. Therefore, I believe I receive my healing.

### Put Your Faith in God

My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health [medicine] to all their flesh.

—Proverbs 4:20-22



Someone may ask, "If I believe I'm healed, do I need to throw my medicine away?" If you have to ask, you better not. After all, you aren't healed because you throw your medicine away; you're healed because you believe God.

Some people hear a message on faith and then go out and smash their glasses to pieces. They say, "I believe I'm healed," and then they walk into walls for six months until they get a new pair of glasses.

Yet, the glasses don't heal your eyes; they simply enable you to see while God heals your eyes. So everytime you put your glasses on, make a practice of saying, "Thank God, I believe I'm healed."

Or if you're taking medicine, every time you

swallow a dose say, "Thank God, I believe I'm healed by the stripes of Jesus." The medicine doesn't heal you, but it helps keep your body working right while God does the healing.

Now, if God tells you to throw your medicine away, obey Him. In that case, however, you'll know it's God and you won't have to ask anyone else. So until then, keep taking your medicine. And meanwhile remember—your faith is in God, not the medicine.

### Confession

Medicine may be helpful, but God's medicine—His Word—is much more effective. I believe God's medicine is working in me now, making my body completely whole.

## Having Done All-Stand



I know a lady who learned after she became pregnant that a childhood case of rheumatic fever had permanently damaged her heart. Her doctor put her on heart medication indefinitely. Later the woman discovered Mark 11:24 that says, "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." She fed on that Scripture until faith rose in her heart, and she believed she received healing for her damaged heart. For two whole years every time she took her medicine she'd say, "Thank God, I'm healed by Jesus' stripes.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

*—Ephesians 6:13* 

Medicine doesn't heal me; it just keeps my heart beating right while God does the healing." She kept standing on the Word.

One day the lady went to her medicine cabinet when suddenly the Holy Ghost spoke to her: "You don't need the medicine now. Throw it away." (Notice that she didn't stop taking her medicine until she knew God told her to.)

Later she went to another heart specialist who conducted more tests and concluded, "There must have been a mix-up in the original diagnosis because your heart is fine!" Now, heart damage doesn't just disappear. No, this woman supernaturally received her healing.

We all want quick results to our prayer of faith—and at times we receive them. But if our answers don't come quickly, we must do as Ephesians 6:13 says, "having done all, to stand."

Take hold of God's Word, stand in faith—and then keep standing.

### Confession

Medicines help me, but Jesus is my healer. I say with confidence, "God's Word works, and it's working in me now!"

### Be Free From Condemnation

Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

—1 John 3:21,22



Condemnation and disease go hand in hand. The devil puts condemnation on you to make you feel bad and to destroy your confidence in God so you can't receive from Him.

God is never the One who shuts you off from receiving. But if you allow condemnation to operate in your life, it will stop your faith from working every time. Condemnation dogs your trail, making you say things like, "Well, God wouldn't heal me. God wouldn't do anything for me. I'm unworthy. I've made mistakes. Something is wrong with me."

The enemy likes to put you under condemnation for past sins, failures and mistakes until you lose all your confidence in receiving from

God. The devil knows that if he can just put you under condemnation, he can keep you wrapped around his finger with sickness and disease.

But always remember that the devil is the one who condemns—not God. The Holy Ghost and your own spirit will only convict you of sin in order to draw you to repentance. Condemnation *always* comes from the kingdom of darkness.

So get yourself in position to receive from God—absolutely refuse to allow condemnation in your life.

#### Confession

I'm a child of God. My Father never condemns me, so I do not allow condemnation in my life. I hold fast to the truth that my Father loves me.