

Divine Healing Through the Word of God

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Dear friend and partner,

I'm excited to share some divine healing scriptures with you that I put together. I believe they will be very beneficial in assisting you to walk in divine health and to receive divine healing by reading God's Word out loud. I'd like you to read the scripture sheet I've included in this letter to yourself out loud three times a day. It is not enough for you to just read them. You need to read them out loud. The reason is because God said **...incline thine ear unto my sayings...** and **...faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.** (Proverbs 4:20, Romans 10:17). It's important for your ears to hear your mouth reading God's Word.

You can read them when you get up in the morning, then sometime during the day, like your lunch hour, and then again at night before you go to bed. These scriptures cover the facts that Jesus took our sicknesses and God wants us to live long and healthy, and that sickness is from Satan.

Through the Word, we see it's our personal responsibility to keep ourselves built up spiritually and it's our responsibility to live a long, healthy life (Eph. Ch. 6). Confessing God's promises and reading them out loud to yourself will help build up your spirit man on God's Word, which will enable you to resist the devil more effectively (James 4:7, 1 Peter 5:8,9). Satan will take advantage of believers when they become weak spiritually. When your faith is weak, it's because you've neglected putting time in God's Word.

I believe the greatest physical blessing one could have above everything else is good health. We don't want to lose the blessing of good health that God gave us. It's never too late to get into the Word and believe God for the impossible, for Jesus said in Mark 9:23: **If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. So, start now.** The sooner you start, the sooner you'll begin to build up your faith in God's Word, because everything you'll receive from God will be by faith. God will do in your life what you can believe Him for (Mt. 8:13, Mt. 9:29, Eph. 3:20).

God said His Word is health to your flesh. The more you read the Word out loud and meditate on God's Word and listen to it, the healthier you'll become. Don't neglect your spiritual responsibility of attending to God's Word. God told us four things to do in Proverbs 4:20-22: **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.**

#1. He told us to attend to His Word. That means to put time in it, and put it first, before you do anything else. Read the Word of God before you read anything else when you get up in the morning.

#2. We're to incline our ears to His sayings. That means we need to listen to the Word. Our ears need to hear our mouth speak God's Word and read it out loud. The bad thing about worldly news is that it produces fear, doubt and unbelief, along with many other negative forces. If you listen to people talk, they'll give themselves away, because what they say is what they've been putting their time into. You can become so news and political-minded that you're no spiritually good to yourself or anyone else. People want to sound intelligent when they talk the news or politics, but the devil is not going to leave you because you're intellectual. He's going to leave you when you use your authority based on God's Word in Jesus' Name. Putting your time into learning spiritual principles will be much more beneficial to you. The God kind of faith gets results. If you're not getting results with your faith, it's not built up enough on the Word (Romans 4:17-21).

You can get so addicted to the news of the world, that you choke out any faith that you do have. It's always your flesh that wants to listen to it; it's never your spirit man. There seems to be a fine line between staying current and overexposing yourself to the cares of this world. You're going to notice that the more time you put in the Word, the less worldly news you'll want to listen to. You'll want to start putting that time you were reading the newspaper into time in the Word.

Listening to the news, the weather, television or radio, is inclining your ear to something other than God's Word (Mark Ch. 4). And if your Word level is low, your faith is going to be weak and that will hinder you from receiving divine healing for your body. Anything that doesn't get results is worthless, and you want your Christian faith to produce results. Faith that produces no results is a faith that is not fully persuaded on what God has said in His Word. People can talk faith all they want to, but if they're not talking the Word, they won't get the results they need (James Ch. 2).

#3. God said not to let His Word depart from your eyes. Even if you have the scriptures memorized, it's good for you to see them while you're reading them. Your eyes need to see God's Word.

#4. God also said to meditate on His Word. In Joshua 1:8, God said to meditate on His Word day and night: **This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.** To meditate on God's Word means not only to think on it, but it also means to mutter it to oneself.

Remember this: your flesh wants to be healthy and feel good. Flesh doesn't feel good when it's sick. But at the same time, your flesh isn't going to want to put in any time doing spiritual work. So, you'll have to make yourself do this every day. Jesus said, **...the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak** (Mt. 26:41). Your flesh is not going to want to read healing scriptures out loud three times a day.

Your flesh wants to watch television, listen to and read the news, and find out what the weather is going to be each day. Flesh doesn't want to miss out on any worldly things, such as the news. Your flesh likes to be entertained and pandered to and indulge itself in what it likes to do, so you'll have to make your flesh obey you and submit to God's Word. The more Word you get in you, the more results you're going to receive from God (John 15:7). One reason many believers don't receive divine healing from God is that they are not putting enough time into the Word each day.

For example, when a person goes to a physician, the doctor diagnoses their case and prescribes medication. When they get the prescription filled, there are directions on the label. If the person is expecting to get any results from this medication, they would need to follow the directions that the doctor prescribed. That's how medical science works.

In divine healing, God is our Great Physician, and He gave us the directions to get results in His Word. The recipe for divine healing and divine health is in Proverbs 4:20-22. The more critical the situation a person has, the more time they should spend in the Word, and less time indulging in other activities. There will be situations in your life that you're just going to have to shut off the television and everything else, and totally immerse yourself into God's Word and prayer in order to get through the trial you're in. In other words, just shut yourself away with God, His Word and prayer until you get what you need. Getting the Word in us takes a lot of effort and work on our part. It takes a lot of effort to get the Word in us, and continual work on our part to maintain ourselves spiritually. The people in the following scriptures had to put a lot of initiative and effort into coming to hear the Word.

And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God. Luke 5:1

But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. Luke 5:15

... a great multitude of people out of all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases; Luke 6:17

Read also Luke 10:38-42.

Too many believers try to receive divine healing apart from putting any quality time in God's Word. They're really looking for someone else to get their healing for them. They fail to realize that Jesus already got their healing for them when He went to the cross.

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. Matthew 8:17

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 Peter 2:24

Satan is the author of sickness and disease, and in order to resist him and/or drive him off, it's going to take you using the sword of the spirit, which is the Word of God (Ephesians 6:17). How much time you put in the Word is going to determine how effective you will be in resisting the attacks of the devil. And, as you fill your heart with God's Word, all you'll speak is God's Word and you won't talk contrary to it (Mt.12:34). When a believer always confesses their present circumstances in conversation, it's an indication that their Word level is low. A man who hears the Word, but doesn't do the Word is self-deceived, and a believer can be self-deceived without even knowing it! (James 1:22)

Satan will deceive a believer by getting them to think that just because they've heard the Word, they know the Word, and that's enough. They don't realize that because they're not full of the Word, they're not fully persuaded that what God said is what He'll do (Romans 4:17-21). They're double minded (James 1:5-8). And no matter how a person receives their healing, sooner or later, they're still going to have to get in the Word in order to maintain what they've received from God (Matthew 12:43-45).

For healing scriptures to work, you've got to read them every day. So, take these scriptures, read them to yourself out loud, and fill your heart with God's Word to the place that all that comes out of your mouth is what God's Word says about you. And the benefit you'll receive is that God's Word will be health to all your flesh. There's no greater physical blessing than having a healthy physical body until you go home to be with Jesus. Amen?

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Divine Healing Scriptures

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**

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 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 53:4,5**

When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. **Matthew 8:16,17**

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 Peter 2:24**

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: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. **Galatians 3:13, 14**

What? 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**

...why shouldest thou die before thy time? **Ecclesiastes 7:17**

For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. **Proverbs 3:2**

For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased. **Proverbs 9:11**

That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. **Ephesians 6:3**

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; **Hebrews 2:14**

He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. **1 John 3:8**

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 10:38**

And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day. The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? **Luke 13:10-16**

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 10:10**

And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations. **Job 42:10,16**

And great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them: Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel. **Matthew 15:30,31**

Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. **Psalms 103:1-5**

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. **Psalms 107:20**

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. There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil. **Exodus 23:25,26**

But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises. **Hebrews 8:6**

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. **Hebrews 4:12, 14-16**

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 8:32**

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. **James 1:17**

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. **James 5:16**

And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 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. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses. **Mark 11:22-26**

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. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. **John 16:23,24**

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**

Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 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. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. **Matthew 18:18-20**

Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict. **Job 37:23**

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. **Hebrews 13:8**

And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. 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. 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. 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. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour. **Matthew 8:5-10; 13**

(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. 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 an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara'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. **Romans 4:17-21**

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. 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. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. **James 1:5-8**

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. **James 4:7**

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. **1 Peter 5:8,9**

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 2:9-11**

(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; **2 Corinthians 10:4,5**

(For we walk by faith, not by sight.) **2 Corinthians 5:7**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:9**

A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof. **Proverbs 18:20,21**

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. **John 6:63**

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. **2 Timothy 1:7**

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. **Psalms 118:17**

...God is the strength of my heart... **Psalms 73:26**

...let the weak say, I am strong. **Joel 3:10**

...for the joy of the LORD is your strength. **Nehemiah 8:10**

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint. **Isaiah 40:31**

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. **Philippians 4:13**

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. **3 John 2**

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. 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. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; **Ephesians 6:10-18**

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