

HARVEST HEALING ROOMS



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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Harvest Healing Rooms Training Manual. The purpose of the manual is to provide the ministry team with some basic and practical instruction on how to share the gospel, pray for the sick, and help people experience freedom from demonic attack in a holistic way – spirit, soul, and body. It also enables the team to serve as catalysts to reproduce healing culture within the local churches. The purpose is to equip the entire church to heal the sick and expect revival. Team members must commit to becoming “a channel for the Holy Spirit and the life of Jesus to be poured into the person for whom they are praying. The Holy Spirit is alive and very creative. He will powerfully use those who learn to hear His voice and follow His leading when ministering to needy and spiritually hungry people.”¹ Learning to pray for the sick and minister to the hurting will provide added workers for the harvest who are empowered to make a difference in their communities. The healing rooms will serve the church and community, resulting in church growth and planting initiatives. The Bible says,

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and disease among the people. But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, 'The Harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the Harvest to send laborers into His Harvest.' And when He called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, cast them out, and heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. As you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give (Matt. 9:35-10:1, 7-8).²

This training manual discusses how to heal the sick with the power of the Holy Spirit. It examines the ministry of Jesus as it relates to preaching the gospel of the kingdom with signs, wonders, and miracles. It also reviews His commission to the church to continue His ministry in the world. It teaches how the Holy Spirit empowers the church to become effective witnesses. The premise is that God wants to do more for us – ACTIVATE so that He can work in us – CONNECT, as He partners with us – PRAY, to express His power through us - TESTIFY. Upon completing the training in this manual, the team member will be able to:

- a. Understand the will of God concerning healing.
- b. Understand the source of sickness and disease.
- c. Build a foundation of faith in God's Word.

¹ Randy Clark, *Ministry Team Training Manual* (Mechanicsburg, PA: Apostolic Network of Global Awakening, 2018), 3.

² *The Holy Bible: New King James Version* (Nashville, TN: Thomas Nelson Inc, 1982). Unless otherwise indicated, all Bible references in this paper are from the NKJV.

- d. Become a part of an army of people who are boldly taking the healing and miraculous message of the gospel to their communities and the world.

Jesus' understanding of effective ministry was living an empowered lifestyle, meaning that he brought God's power to bear on humanity in the world. He announced at the beginning of His ministry that the Holy Spirit anointed him to preach the gospel to the poor, heal the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives, recover sight to the blind, declare liberty for those who are oppressed, and proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD (Luke 4:18-19). Luke, furthermore, sums up supernatural discipleship in his introduction to the book of Acts. He connected his Gospel of Luke to Acts by telling the readers that "all Jesus began both to do and teach until He ascended, He commanded the apostles to do by showing them many infallible proofs, and teaching them about the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:1-3). In the book of Acts, the apostles did what Jesus commanded, practicing the empowered gifts of the Spirit. Luke ended the book of Acts with Paul doing what Jesus commanded (Acts 28:30-31). Supernatural discipleship is doing what Jesus did. Therefore, the church bears Jesus' kingdom message and exercises his kingdom ministry by doing what he did – preaching the gospel, healing the sick, and casting out demons.

The first few verses in the book of Acts serve as a bridge between the ministry of Jesus as the Spirit-anointed prophet and the continuation of His ministry through the disciples as a charismatic Spirit-anointed community (Acts 1:11, Lk 24:13-49). Acts is also the sequel to Luke's Gospel. According to New Testament (NT) scholar Roger Stronstad, though the New Testament canon separates them, Luke and Acts are a single two-volume composition (Luke 1:1–4; Acts 1:1).³ Acts is unique in that only Luke captured and chronicled the history and ministry of the early church. He shows the continuation of Jesus' ministry by the apostles and the community of believers. The other gospel writers ended their stories with the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ. NT scholar F. F. Bruce stated that the purpose of Acts is not distinct from Luke's gospel because the two parts comprise an integral whole with one coherent purpose.⁴ Acts express what Luke proposes in Luke 1:1–4: to give an orderly account of Jesus' ministry of word and deed, capture the disciples' continuation and promotion of Christianity in the Greco-Roman world, and assure the Gentile believers that they are included among God's covenant people. The book of Acts presents Jesus as our model and inspiration. It serves as a defense of Christianity and provides a model for church growth and world evangelism.

³ Roger Stronstad, *The Charismatic Theology of St. Luke: Trajectories from the Old Testament to Luke-Acts* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2012), 3, <http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/dtl/detail.action?docID=3117080>.

⁴ F. F. Bruce, *The Book of Acts* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1988), 6–7, <http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/dtl/detail.action?docID=4860128>.

THEOLOGY OF HEALING

Jesus came to show us the will of God. The Bible says Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and disease among the people (Matt 4:23). F.F. Bosworth said, "Before you can have a steadfast faith for the healing of your body, you must rid yourself of all uncertainty concerning God's will in the matter. Faith cannot go beyond your knowledge of the revealed will of God."⁵ Knowing God's will is the basic foundation for believing or praying for the sick (Mk 1:41-43). Jesus came to heal the sick (Lk 4:18-19). Healing is in the Atonement. As Dr. Randy Clark asserts, "All kinds of illnesses, injuries, and emotional dysfunctions abound in our fallen world. What provision has God made for effective healing through prayer? The answer is that healing, like salvation, has been provided for in the Atonement."⁶

Jesus paid the price for our healing. "He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes, we are healed" (Isa 53:5). Matthew says that Jesus fulfilled this Messianic prophecy (Matt 8:16-17). God reveals Himself as Jehovah-Rapha, "the Lord who heals (Ex 15:26). Throughout the Old Testament, we find God revealing Himself as a healing God. He manifested His healing power to Israel throughout the generations and established His covenant with the children of Israel.

Jesus commissioned the disciples and the church to reach the world. He said, "And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give" (Matthew 10:7-8). This commission was given several times in all of the gospels and the book of Acts (Matthew 10:5-8; Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-20; Luke 9:1-6; Luke 10:1-9; Luke 24:46-49; John 20:21-23; Acts 1:8).

Healing the sick flows out of our intimacy with Jesus. "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this, My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so, you will be My disciples (John 15:7-8). According to Clark, healing and miracles are the fruits of those who enjoy intimate fellowship with God and are committed to doing His works. However, it is important to note that the purpose of the believer's life is intimacy with the Father, not simply seeking healings, signs, wonders, and miracles.⁷

Knowing God's ways is essential to flow within a greater level of healing. Moses, for example, knew God personally. "The Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend" (Ex 33:11). In the Gospel of John, Jesus shares His final crucial words with His disciples before His death. He gave His disciples the secrets of His power and His relationship with the

⁵ F. F. Bosworth, *Christ the Healer*, New pbk. ed (Grand Rapids, MI: Revell, 2008), 5.

⁶ Randy Clark, *Ministry Team Training Manual* (Apostolic Network of Global Awakening, 2018), 32.

⁷ Randy Clark, *Power to Heal: Keys to Activating God's Healing Power in Your Life* (Shippensburg, PA: Destiny Image Publishers, 2015), 57.

Father that grew out of His obedience. There is a clear relationship between intimacy, fruitfulness, and healing.

The name of Jesus releases healing power. He said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will also do; and greater works than these he will do because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it" (Jn 14:12-14). Peter told the people the reason for healing the cripple beggar. "Faith in the name of Jesus" (Acts 3:6-8, Acts 5:14-16, Acts 19:11-12). The name of Jesus is our Power of Attorney. Healing accompanies the gospel (Acts 8:4-8, Matt 10:1, 7-8, Lk 10:1-9, Mk 16:15-20).

Healing flows through acts of obedience, faith, and the power or gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Word of God is our authority for healing, obedience, and faith. In the book of John, seven miraculous signs show the acts of obedience. In John 2:1-12, Mary told the servants to do whatever Jesus told them. In Jn 4:46-54, Jesus told the nobleman that his son was healed. In John 5:1-15, Jesus told the paralyzed man to pick up his mat and go home. In John 6:1-14, Jesus fed 5000 men with a boy's lunch. In John 9:1-12, Jesus told the blind man to go and wash at the pool. In John 11:1-44, Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. And, in John 21:1-14, Jesus told the disciple where to catch fish.

The church must believe in the continuation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the miraculous works of God. According to Peter, "signs and wonders bear witness to the risen Christ and the power to save sinners" (Acts 2:22, 3:12-16). Peter said to them, "Repent and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call" (Acts 2:38-39). Scripture is clear that the gifts of the Holy will continue until Jesus comes back. Nowhere in the Bible did any of the apostles claim that miracles ended with them.

The cessationists' argument that the gifts ended with the apostles' death or the Bible's completion is faulty. On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was released in power upon the church and has never left. According to Williams,

Since Jesus trained his disciples to reproduce his message and ministry of the kingdom, we should expect that they would teach the church to do the same (1 Cor. 11:1; Phil. 4:9; I Thes 1:6). This was the intention of Jesus' commission to make disciples from all the nations 'teaching them to observe all that I commanded you... ' (Mat. 28:20). To eliminate the kingdom message and ministry from this plan in favor of Christology or ethics is to cut out its heart. All must be held together to make any sense of the New Testament.⁸

According to Don Williams, learning was based on an intimate relationship between teachers and pupils in Israel and the surrounding areas. For the Jews, the basic unit of instruction was the family. In Exodus, the Father teaches his children the meaning of the mighty acts of God

⁸ Greig and Springer, *The Kingdom and the Power*, 174.

by answering their questions about Passover (Exodus 10:1-2; 12:26-27).⁹ Therefore, the church bears Jesus' kingdom message and exercises his kingdom ministry by doing what he did – casting out demons and healing the sick. Williams asserts,

Jesus brought the authority of the kingdom of God in the power of the Spirit. The kingdom of God was the center of his *message*. Mark says, 'Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel' (Mk. 1:14-15). The kingdom was also the center of his *ministry*. Jesus says, 'But if I cast out demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you' (Lk. 11:20). Jesus' message and ministry are one. The presence of the kingdom dawning in him is an event that immediately affects the spiritual and social environment around him.¹⁰

Matthew records that Jesus took them on an itinerant ministry throughout Galilee to prepare His disciples. He taught them through precepts and examples how to preach the gospel of the kingdom and heal the sick. This intimate training aims to reproduce the master's life in His disciples.¹¹ Jesus called and showed them how to minister to hurting people (Matt 4:17-25). He taught them about the characteristics of kingdom citizens (Matt 5-7). He also taught them that it is God's will to heal everyone by cleansing the leper, honoring the centurion faith, and healing his paralyzed servant, healing Peter's wife's mother of fever and all others who were demon-possessed and sick, thus fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah 53:5 (8:1-17).

Although Jesus had ministered to thousands of people, the need was still vast. Matthew records that the weary, scattered, shepherd-less multitudes broke the Savior's heart; the Bible says, "He was moved with compassion for them" (Matt 9:35-38). Jesus invited the disciples to pray for God to send workers into the harvest. There are an estimated 2.3 billion Christians in the world per the 2015 Pew Research Center report; out of 7.3 billion people total, the harvest is indeed plentiful.¹² Like Jesus, it should break believers' hearts, fill them with compassion, and drive them to pray and ask God for a mighty global awakening to bring in a substantial harvest of souls.

Jesus called and empowered the disciples to heal the sick and cast out demons (Matt 10:1). This empowering was also given in Mark 3:13-15; Luke 9:1; John 14:12-14; and Acts

⁹ Greig and Springer, *The Kingdom and the Power*, 169.

¹⁰ Packer, Greig, and Springer, *The Kingdom and the Power*, 174.

¹¹ Greig and Springer, *The Kingdom and the Power*, 172.

¹² Conrad Hackett and David Mcclendon, "Christians Remain World's Largest Religious Group, but They Are Declining in Europe," *Pew Research Center* (blog), accessed December 15, 2022, <https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2017/04/05/christians-remain-worlds-largest-religious-group-but-they-are-declining-in-europe/>.

1:8. The same authority and anointing that Jesus operated with are the same anointing He has given to the church (Luke 4:18, John 14:16-17). Jesus never intended that the anointing of the Holy Spirit should diminish in the believers' lives and render them helpless in a world of hurting people. The church must return to the basics of its faith.

Jesus commissioned the disciples and the church to reach the world. The commission was never recalled. The church is Jesus' solution to the world. There is no plan B. The Early Church understood this and reached their known world with the gospel. The book of Acts is called the Acts of the Apostles because the apostles acted. John MacArthur argues that for "Jesus, preaching the Word was more important than performing signs and wonders," while R. H. Fuller sees the unity of Jesus' message and ministry. He writes, "the miracles of Jesus are part and parcel of his preaching activity. The miracles are part of the proclamation itself, just as much as the spoken words of Jesus."¹³

Continuing in the miraculous is possible because Jesus lived and ministered supernaturally while on earth. He trained and empowered His disciples to live and minister as He did in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. He told them about the importance of the baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8, Lk 24:49). Supernatural discipleship is doing what Jesus did. The church must serve as catalyst to reproduce a healing culture within the local churches. Believers must be encouraged to imitate Jesus as their model. The purposes are as follows: First, to understand that Jesus is our model to live, submitted to the Father, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and dedicated to preach the gospel of the kingdom in word and through a demonstration of the power of the Holy Spirit. Second, to teach others to understand that the church has been commissioned to do the works of Jesus and even greater works because of the resurrected, exalted, and glorified Lord. Third, to foster an understanding of the anointing power to heal the sick, which flows from our intimacy with the triune God. Fourth, to create an atmosphere and culture of faith that makes preaching the gospel and healing the sick a normative occurrence in the believers' lives. Fifth, to raise an army of men and women who will boldly take the healing and miraculous message of the gospel to their communities and the world. Sixth, to establish a center of healing, deliverance, blessing, and abundant life at Harvest Intercontinental Ministries Unlimited.

¹³ Greig and Springer, *The Kingdom and the Power*, 174.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE MINISTRY TEAM

1. Qualifications of a Ministry Team Member

- a. Every ministry team member must be born again (John 3:3, Romans 6:23}, a member of Harvest, and subject to the church's leadership.
- b. Sign the church workers' covenant and attend Harvest Healing Rooms Training.
- c. Participate in prayer, evangelism, actively pray for the sick and revival weekly.
- d. Keep a journal, share testimony weekly, read the training materials and continue growing in healing the sick. Commit to intentionally healing the sick, sharing the gospel, and praying for revival.
- e. Facilitate the moving of the Holy Spirit under the direction of the team's pastoral or other appointed leadership. Provide mature ministry direction through order, safety, and cooperation, while avoiding confusion, offense, and harm.
- f. Release God's love, healing, empowerment, and deliverance to those who desire prayer.
- g. It is not the purpose of a ministry team (or any team member) to release rebuke or correction, give direction, provide counseling, or other in-depth ministry involvement. This manual contains simple guidelines based on Biblical principles to help bring greater fruitfulness to ministry time.
- h. The goal is an impartation of the love of God through you, and a release of the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus.

2. Serving as a Team Member at a Scheduled Meeting

- a. The unity of the team members and the team leader is a critical factor in the effectiveness of any ministry team. Each team member will be expected to:
- b. Minister within the guidelines established by the pastoral leadership of the meeting. Cheerfully submit to and be loyal to the pastoral leadership of the meeting. Lay aside your ministry pattern and follow the way established for the meeting. Step down as a team member if requested to do so by the leadership.
- c. Pray regularly for the scheduled meetings. Attend scheduled prayer sessions prior to meetings. Intercede for God's anointing on the worship team, God's anointing on the preacher or speakers, for God's love to be manifested, for the presence of the Holy Spirit, and for an open spirit to recognize words of wisdom, words of knowledge, and discernment given by the Holy Spirit.
- d. Always comply with the directions given by those in authority for the meeting or the place where ministry is to take place. These will usually be the pastor of the church where you are ministering, or the leader of the meeting where you are serving, or their representatives. You may be asked to wear a name tag identifying you as a ministry team member. You may be asked not to minister without another ministry team member and a catcher.

3. Qualities of a Ministry Team Member

- a. A ministry team member should be growing in his personal life by consciously allowing God to change and build his character. A ministry team member should have **A SERVANT'S HEART** – humility (Proverbs 3:34, James 4:6, 1 Peter 5:5), obedience (John 14:23, 15:10), freedom from desire for recognition, Faithfulness (1 Timothy 1:12-14), and willingness to continue ministry to the end of a meeting.
- b. A ministry team member should have **A TEACHABLE SPIRIT** – willingness to receive ministry, give ministry, and willingness to accept correction. A ministry team member's relationship with God should be free from rebellion, anger, and intentional disobedience, before attempting to minister to others. Some characteristics of a person who has a close relationship with God are the following:
 1. Spending time daily with God in praise, worship, adoration, reading and study of the scriptures. Walking in forgiveness as a lifestyle. (Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-22; 2 Corinthians 2:10-11). Walking in repentance as a lifestyle. (Matthew 3:2, Luke 13:3, Revelations 3:19)
 2. Practicing continually being re-filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 4:31, 13:9; Ephesians 5:18). Growing in demonstration of the fruit of the Spirit in his life – **Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self-control.** (Galatians 5:22)
 3. Practicing obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:14). Faithfulness in carrying out any ministry currently assigned by the Lord.
 4. Denominational and racial neutrality in ministering.
 5. A calling from God to serve in this capacity. No one except you can tell whether you meet all of these characteristics. But you probably can tell, and people who know you well will likely have observations about some of these characteristics. A periodic review of the above list may be helpful to you in developing your relationship with God.
- c. Good Biblical knowledge. (1 Timothy 4:6-7, 2 Timothy 2:15, 3:16). A person of prayer. (Ephesians 6:18). A stable person with good judgment. Free from panic, fear, and worry. (2 Timothy 1:7, Philippians 4:6-7). Able to manage your finances.
- d. Able to withstand spiritual attacks that may follow service to the Lord. Aware of God's love for yourself that you can assure others of God's love for them.
- e. A ministry team member should appreciate that the kind of person he is - how he lives and does daily - is more important than what he says and does in ministry. **James 4:6 says, "But He gives more grace. Therefore He says, "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble." Hebrews 4:16 says, "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."**

4. Other Helpful Tips

- a. Concerning ministry to persons of the opposite sex, follow the policy of the leadership of the meeting. Try to have women minister to women and men to men. In any event, do not minister alone (alone in a room, or so far from others in a large room that you cannot be heard) to someone of the opposite sex. In deliverance ministry, the ministry team should always have at least one person of the same sex as the person receiving ministry.
- b. The appropriate places to lay hands on someone for general prayer are the forehead and hands. Apply a soft touch, being sensitive to not offend anyone. When praying for healing, if the affected part of the prayee's body is not a sensitive one – for example, if it is his foot, ankle, elbow, back, neck, eyes, etc. – the ministry team member may touch the affected part. This sometimes seems to bring the power of the Holy Spirit in you closer to the point where healing is needed. If the problem is in a sensitive spot such as in the abdomen, the ministry team member can ask the person receiving ministry to put his hand on the affected part and then place his own hand on the hand of the person. If even this does not seem appropriate, simply hold the person's hand lightly or touch his forehead lightly as you pray.
- c. Ministering is demanding and often physically taxing. Start fresh, use deodorant beforehand, and make sure you have plenty of breath mints available.
- d. If a person is injured in any way, stop ministering and tend to the person's physical needs. Notify a leader or pastor as soon as possible. Remember that we are working as a team. The pastoral leadership handles any complaints about how you minister to an individual. Let the person know that someone in leadership will personally contact you. The leader will explain the complaint to you as it was explained to him or her. You may explain your side of the situation. Together you discuss possible solutions. If necessary, the leader will ask you to step down from the ministry team.
- e. Remember to show love, and comfort as you exhort, and encourage the person you are praying for. Be sure to apply this principle to the wording of your prayers. If you are a channel for the love of God, the people you pray for will receive a genuine ministry and blessing, whether or not they receive the other things you may pray for. God is love. If we are ministering in His Spirit, we will impart something of His love to those we pray for. Be a blessing! **A good team motto is be friendly, flexible, pray earnestly, have good hygiene!**
- f. Do not rush the work of the Holy Spirit. If someone falls down, ministry may continue as you pray over the person. Or you may be led to leave him alone with the Holy Spirit. If you speak to him, when preparing to leave, encourage the individual to remain on the

floor and continue receiving. It is very common for people to get up too quickly and miss some of what God has for them.

- g.** Do not minister to someone who does not want to be prayed for or does not ask for ministry. Allow God to work in the person's heart and draw that person to Himself in His time. When under the influence of the Holy Spirit, people may reveal issues of a very personal nature. As a minister of healing, hold such disclosures with the utmost confidence. When praying with someone concerning a sensitive matter, pray quietly so no one overhears you.
- h.** Do not "force" the work of the Spirit. If the person you are praying for is not in agreement, stop and change directions. If the Holy Spirit is specifically addressing something with the individual, let Him continue to deal with it, not you.
- i. Spiritual Attack** – When you enlist for service to pray for others in specific ways, you are actively engaging in spiritual warfare. You are becoming a "freedom fighter" to help liberate the lost, the sick and the oppressed. The enemy does not take this invasion of his "turf" without retaliation. Do not be surprised at some form of counterattack. Therefore, be on guard. Learn to rest in God when under attack. Rejoice in His care and His ability to protect you. Let the battle be the Lord's. Rest and peace are weapons designed to keep your heart (emotions) and your mind (the main battleground) in Christ Jesus (Phil 4:6-7).

5. Ministry Team Prayer Needs

- a.** Pray daily for yourself and ministry team members as the Holy Spirit prompts you. Items to pray for include the following:
 1. The whole armor of God according to Ephesians 6:12-17. The blood of Jesus covering family, home and property. A hedge of protection to fill in any gaps.
 2. All things to come under God's authority and obedience as in 2 Corinthians 10:4-5. Discernment to recognize our adversary, the devil, who comes to accuse and bring condemnation and guilt, unlike John 3:17.
 3. God's favor and blessings according to Luke 2:52. Unity in relationships in all arenas of life, leaving no room for the enemy to bring division and not taking on others' offenses, as in Psalm 133.
 4. A free-flowing spirit of forgiveness. The spread of life-giving words as seeds of righteousness and clear communication. Grateful and humble hearts toward God and others.
 5. Teachable, cooperative and flexible spirits. God's grace for the task and for one another. Peace -- that everyone find his or her secret place at Jesus' feet daily. A fresh anointing to flow during the day and throughout the meetings while performing respective tasks.

6. God's personal work in each individual through his or her ministry to be made like Christ. That God will be exalted -- His kingdom come, His will be done, His glory filling each one. That the joy of the Lord will be their strength for overcoming physical exhaustion and insomnia. Wisdom from above and for "God thoughts" according to James 1:5. Love like that described in 1 Corinthians 13:2-3 and Romans 5:5.
7. **Be a channel for the love of God and the comfort and power of the Holy Spirit** – Without the love of God, and the help of the Holy Spirit, you can do little that will be of long-term benefit to the person receiving ministry from you. If your relationship with God is confrontational in any respect, do not minister until you have changed. God answers prayer. Pray daily for ability to receive more of His love, ability to be a channel of His love to others and for guidance from and obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit.
8. **Prayer and Worship** – One must continually prepare to be used in ministry. Following are suggestions and scripture references to help increase the "anointing" on your life and ministry. You may not always feel the anointing, but it is with you and will increase if you ask. Wait on the Lord in prayer.
 1. **Psalm 62:5** – My soul, wait silently for God alone; for my expectation is from him.
 2. **Hosea 12:6** – Wait on your God continually.
 3. **Isaiah 40:31** – They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. Ask the Holy Spirit to search your heart regularly.
 4. **Psalm 139: 23-24** – Search me, O God, and know my heart. Try me and know my thoughts. And see if there be any wicked way in me and lead me in the everlasting way.
 5. **Psalm 51:10** – Create a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
 6. **Psalm 24:3-4** – Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.
 7. **1 Thessalonians 5:19** – Do nothing to quench (suppress or subdue) the Spirit by violating the biblical principle or your conscience.
 8. **Ephesians 5:18** – Avail yourself of the presence of God and keep receiving more of the anointing. "but ever be filled and stimulated with the Holy Spirit."
 9. **Ephesians 4:23** – Renew your mind (have a fresh attitude) in the word. "be constantly renewed in the spirit of your mind."
 10. Enter wholeheartedly into worship. Focus on Jesus and not yourself. **Psalm 29:2** – Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
 11. **Philippians 3:3** – For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh.

- 12. 2 Corinthians 10:5** – 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.
- 13.** Receive prayer from others. **Ephesians 6:19** – Pray also for me, that whenever i open my mouth, words may be given me so that i will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel.
- 14. 2 Timothy 1:6** – Stir up* the gift of god which is in you through the laying on of my hands. (*fan the flame of, and keep burning-amplified bible.)

THE AUTHORITY OF THE BELIEVER

Lk 10:17–20

Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

ILLUSTRATION: HEALING OF WOMAN WITH BACK & NECK PAIN FOR TEN YEARS – SHE HATED SISTER.

INTRODUCTION

One of the most significant roadblocks for believers seeking to walk in healing and deliverance is a lack of confidence. Understanding the scriptural basis for walking in your authority in Jesus is essential. You must understand your identity and power as a child of the King.

1. God Empowers

- a. Whatever God calls you to do He will empower you to do it.

1. Mt 10:1, 7–8

And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give (Lk 9:1-2, Lk 10:1, 9).

- b. When Jesus taught His disciples to advance the kingdom of God, He modeled and taught them to do two things. **DECLARE** the kingdom and **DEMONSTRATE** the Kingdom. The demonstration allowed declaring the kingdom, or demonstration validated the declaration. A part of that demonstration was healing the sick and casting out demons.

1. Mt 4:23-25

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them. Great

multitudes followed Him—from Galilee, and from Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan.

- c. The gospel of the kingdom is the rule of God. You must put a demand on heaven. The demonstration is the expression of the kingdom. The gospel of the kingdom displaces the kingdom of darkness.

- 1. **Jn 14:12-14**

- "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.**

- 2. **1 Cor 2:1-5**

- And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness, in fear, and much trembling. And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.**

Illustration: Brian Testimony About The Warlord Gang – Brandon With A Harpy Jacket.

2. Your Authority is Based on The Finished Work of Jesus

- a. Jesus has absolute victory over the kingdom of darkness. Jesus has absolute authority in heaven, on earth, and under the earth.

- 1. **Mt 28:18-20**

- And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."**

- 2. **Eph 1:17-23**

- That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His**

inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

- b. We owe the world a God encounter. Encounter with God will sustain you during the difficult times in your life.
- c. Demons do not have authority but operate on the power people give them. It is the last thing they want to do when a demon manifests. They thrive in the dark.

Illustration: Paul's Testimony (Acts 9:1-19, Acts 26:12-23).

3. Jesus Destroys the Works of the Devil

a. Col 2:13-15

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, ¹⁴ having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. ¹⁵ Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

b. You have to be convinced that the devil has been completely stripped of all authority.

1. Acts 10:38

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

2. 1 Jn 3:8

He who sins is of the devil, for he has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

c. We are to reinforce the cross.

1. **Col 1:26-29**

The mystery has been hidden for ages and from generations but now has been revealed to His saints. To them, God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. To this end, I also labor, striving according to His working, which works in me mightily.

2. **Gal 2:20**

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

3. **1 Jn 4:4**

You are of God, little children, and have overcome them because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

4. **2 Kings 6:15-18**

Now when the attendant of the man of God had risen early and gone out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was circling the city. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" So, he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them. " Then Elisha prayed and said, "O LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see. " And the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

ILLUSTRATION: FRIEND HEALING OF COVID-19 AND PARALYSIS

4. You Are United With Christ.

a. You and Jesus are ONE

1. **Jn 15:5-8**

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that

you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

2. Jn 17:20-21

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

b. I died with Christ. I was buried with Christ

1. Rom 6:3-4

Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

2. We have been set free from slavery to sin and made alive and victorious in the Spirit through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. Our old sinful life was crucified and buried with Jesus.

3. Therefore, we now have His power at work in us to resist wrong behavior. By grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are free to live our lives in holiness, be transformed in our thinking, and give daily worship to God.

4. When we were baptized, we were spiritually baptized into Christ's death. We are no longer bound to follow sin's destructive ways. We are to use our freedom to live for God, united with Christ continually.

5. 2 Cor 5:17

Therefore, if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

c. I was raised with Christ

1. Eph 2:6

For He raised us from the dead along with Christ, and we are seated with Him in the heavenly realms--all because we are one with Christ Jesus.

d. I am seated with Christ

1. You need to know that you have the right to walk out and exercise that authority.

2. **Ephesians 1:19-23**

And what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead, and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in the one to come. And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fulness of Him who fills all in all.

Illustration: Peter and John Healing of the Cripple Beggar.

5. Identity Statement for Ministering Healing and Deliverance

- a. I am a child of the King; I am a co-heir with Jesus
- b. All Jesus bought and paid for is my inheritance
- c. I am united with Jesus; I have been crucified with Christ
- d. I died with Him; I was buried with Him,
- e. I was raised with Him,
- f. I am seated with Him in the heavenlies far above all rule, all power, all authority, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.
Therefore, I carry the authority of Christ
- g. I have authority over sickness, sin, flesh, demons, and the world.
- h. I am the salt of the earth; I am the light of the world
- i. I will displace the darkness; I have the whole armor of God
- j. I put on the breastplate of righteousness, the belt of truth, the helmet of salvation, the sandals of peace,
- k. I take up the shield of faith, and the sword of the Spirit, for the weapons of my warfare are not fleshly. They are divinely powerful to tear down the strongholds of darkness.
- l. I can do all things through Christ because greater is He who is in me than he who is in