

## PARTNER LETTER MARCH 2008

Dear Partner

This month of March I want to share with you about God's plan for you to walk in Divine Health. I recently preached at Jerry Savelle Ministries there the message was called **THE PROSPERITY OF HEALING**.

God wants you to enjoy healing and health, not sickness! Sin and sickness is not of God!

John 5:2 Amplified Bible *Now there is in Jerusalem a pool near the Sheep Gate. This pool in the Hebrew is called Bethesda, having five porches (alcoves, colonnades, doorways).*

3 *In these lay a great number of sick folk--some blind, some crippled, and some paralyzed (shriveled up) - waiting for the bubbling up of the water.*

4 *For an angel of the Lord went down at appointed seasons into the pool and moved and stirred up the water; whoever then first, after the stirring up of the water, stepped in was cured of whatever disease with which he was afflicted.*

5 *There was a certain man there who had suffered with a deep-seated and lingering disorder for thirty-eight years.*

6 *When Jesus noticed him lying there [helpless], knowing that he had already been a long time in that condition, He said to him, do you want to become well? Are you really in earnest about getting well?*

7 *The invalid answered, Sir, I have nobody when the water is moving to put me into the pool; but while I am trying to come [into it] myself, somebody else steps down ahead of me.*

8 *Jesus said to him Get up! Pick up your bed (sleeping pad) and walk!*

9 *Instantly the man became well and recovered his strength and picked up his bed and walked. But that happened on the Sabbath.*

This account gives us a picture of God's will. Five sheds full of people sat by that pool. The people didn't know when the angel was coming; they just knew he was coming. They didn't know who would be healed; they just knew someone would be healed. And afterwards the rest of the people would have to sit and wait for the next time the angel came to trouble the water.

Obviously, the impotent man wasn't healed on his own faith. *"Well, then," someone may say, "It was Jesus' faith healed the man."*

But Jesus never once said in the Bible, *"My faith made you whole."*

If Jesus' faith had healed that man, He would have healed everyone else there too. But after healing this one man, Jesus disappeared into the crowd. So what healed the man?

It was God's will that he be healed. Why did God single that one man out? I don't know; that's God's business. God did it, and He knows what He's doing.

Read Heb. 9:11-12 KJV *But Christ being come a high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;*

Heb 9:12 *Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.*

Some people think Jesus came to help us carry our burdens. *"Oh, Lord,"* they pray, *"if You could just help me bear this disease until the end, I'd sure appreciate it."*

These people don't realize what actually took place in redemption. They may understand that Jesus took their sins and sicknesses to the Cross and paid the price for their slate to be wiped clean. They may even realize that God doesn't want them to take the condemnation for those sins back on themselves again. But we all need to realize that Jesus completed a full redemption for us all. Not only did He take on Himself our sin, but our sickness and disease as well.

Just as we have known God doesn't want us to live in sin, we ought to know God doesn't want us to live in sickness and disease. Jesus paid the price to redeem us from both sin and sickness. He already carried it all for us. So He doesn't want us to carry the burden of our sicknesses any more than He wants us to carry the burden of our sins.

Sin and sickness are a part of the devil's kingdom, and we are citizens of the kingdom of light!

Yours faithfully and move into health in Him.

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