

### Ministering Scriptural Healing Overview

### A) Overview

As you start to minister, **most** of all remember that you are **not** God. Next remember that you are **not** the healer. Then remember that these persons are in their conditions as a result of a lifetime of decisions made by them or their ancestors or both. Finally they have already lived their entire lives without you. You are **not** indispensable to them. Now to begin, think of the Healing Ministry as having four parts, which are listed below:

- 1) Diagnostics.
- 2) Prayer.
- 3) Prescription (Assignments).
- 4) Follow-up.

#### **B)** Diagnostics

- 1) Introduction.
  - Healing is available for all (God is no respecter of persons). Acts 10:34
  - Receiving healing depends on the spiritual status of the person.
  - God meets all people if they draw nigh unto Him. James 4:8
  - Healing requires a partnership with God.
  - Treat the cause, not merely the symptoms.
  - Getting healed is easy; the challenge is keeping it.
- 2) Evaluate the challenge.
  - What is it? Medical or natural understanding?
  - Time factor? Urgent, life/death, severe pain?
  - Current status? Is prayer needed immediately?
- 3) Evaluate the person's beliefs.
  - Born again, atheist, agnostic, hedonist, other religion, satanist....
  - Church attendance.
  - Studies the Bible.
  - Denominationally biased.
  - Spirit-filled, prays in tongues.
  - Worshipper.
- 4) Evaluate the causes.
  - Spirit, heart (tongue), soul, mind, body.
  - Sins known, unknown, contextual.
  - Diet/nutrition/exercise/stress/trauma.
- 5) Evaluate the human context.
  - Genetics/heredity.
  - Generational curses.
  - Sexual/soul ties.
  - Drugs/alcohol.
  - Works of darkness.



- C) **Prayer** (This part is covered in more detail later in the semester.)
  - 1) Immediate: Usually for severe pain or acute life-threatening situations. This usually involves anointing with water, blood (Communion), oil (Holy Spirit), laying on of hands, Gifts of the Spirit, Prayer of Agreement or Prayer of Authority.
  - 2) Short-term: This is the main ministry and uses teaching with assignments.
  - 3) Maintenance: Lifestyle assignments.

#### **D)** Prescription/Assignment

- 1) The purpose of giving assignments is two-fold:
  - It determines the ministeree's degree of commitment.
  - It teaches the process of receiving healing in his/her body.
- 2) Make the assignment specific to the recognized cause. Start with the innermost cause and work outward. Some examples are below:
  - If the person has a heart of bitterness, you could use Ps 51:10, "Create in me a clean heart" or Ps 24:4, "Purify my heart."
  - If the person has ungodly hopes, plans, ambitions, you could use Psalm 23:3, "Restore my soul."
  - If thoughts are the challenge, Rom 12:2, 2Cor 10:5, Phil 4:8.
  - For the body, examples are Isa 53:4-5, Matt 8:17, 1 Peter 2:24.
  - Assign every person a Scripture on controlling his/her tongue or mouth or words. Examples are: Pr 6:2, 16:23, Ps 17:3, 19:14, 39:1, 141:3.
  - For other possible assignments, refer to the handout, "<u>Daily Scenarios for</u> <u>Spiritual Warfare</u>." (Sem 2 Module 14)
- 3) After completion of the assignment, the ministeree should call for a new assignment, perhaps within hours to a few days.
  - The time for each assignment should gradually be extended.
  - Repeat this process of assignments until both the spiritual causes and the physical challenges have been removed or greatly reduced.
  - At this point the ministeree is considered healed.

#### E) Follow-up/Maintenance

- 1) Follow-up Call
  - The last assignment ends with the follow-up call about one month later.
  - The main purpose of the call is to ensure that the ministeree keeps doing the assignments for an extended period of time after having received healing.
  - At this point, move over to a maintenance program.
  - You may wish to record the praise report.
- 2) Ongoing Maintenance
  - Once the spiritual and physical challenges have been removed or greatly reduced, then the person is considered healed and moves into a maintenance program.
  - Maintenance is a lifestyle of health with specific ongoing daily recommendations/assignments. Refer to the handout, "<u>Daily Steps for Walking in Divine Health.</u>" (Sem 1 Module 18)
  - Examples of maintenance assignments may be to go to church weekly or twice weekly, study the Bible daily, affirm 20 times per day 1 Peter 2:24, receive communion with spouse daily, confess sins daily, etc.

# ABC Healing School Semester 2 Module 23 Ministering Scriptural Healing - Overview Homework Assignments

1. Write out and bring with you to class on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, a list of sins/curses.

# A. Rejection:

- *Possible high level categories:* Parents, co-workers, friends, siblings, church members, church leaders etc.
- *Details within each category:* last week snubbed by co-worker, my idea rejected by my brother last year, pastor did not call last Monday like he promised, last year when no one paid attention to me at the Christmas party etc.

## **B.** Anger:

- *Possible high level categories:* Anger toward God, anger toward self, anger toward family, anger about circumstances, etc.
- *Details within each category:* Anger toward father who always ignored me; anger toward God because my grand-father died after I prayed; anger toward spouse who rejected me, etc.