Basic Message 13 Jeremiah 33:1-9

# **Prayer and Healing**

In Jesus Christ, we have already become a new creation, our identity, belonging and authority has all changed. However, when we do not know God, we especially had in our life all kinds of ill nature, prejudices and habits remaining on us. Because of these diseases, we not only cannot enjoy the apportioned blessings of God's children, instead we often meet many contradictions and struggles in Christian living. Through prayer of faith, we must rely on the Lord to get rid of all cause of illness, enabling our life to enjoy holy and powerful living.

### 1. All men who depart from God have deeply-rooted diseases

- 1) Their spirit, soul, body and living are all under curse <Eph 2:1-3> (At the back of diseases all have spiritual backgrounds)
- 2) Because of spiritual diseases of ignorance, doubts and disbelief, they have no way to know God, turn to worship idols, worship religions, and participate with demons <1Co 10:20>
- 3) Because of psychological illness like guilt, fear, worry, hatred, greed and jealousy and so on, often lead a weary and burden life <Mt 11:28>
- 4) Because all kinds of illness and disorderly living invade into our physical body, we lead a life of suffering <Jn 5:2-3>
- 5) Because of struggles and contradictions on interpersonal relationships, often lead "lives that give people wounds, and are also self-hurting" <Ge 4:8>
- 6) Totally do not know life's direction and meaning, blindly lead helpless and harassed living, and ultimately face death <Lk 16:19-31>

### 2. Prayers of faith can heal all illness

- 1) "Conversion prayers" can totally change a person's spiritual background, making him become a new creation <2Cor 5:17>
- 2) "Resolution prayers" can get rid of the "evil rooted nature" in the life, letting the person receive renewed life <Ac 9:1-9>
- 3) "Promise prayers" can heal a person of hidden illness in the hearts and minds <Php 4:4-7>
- 4) "Fixed time prayers" can heal all illness in the physical body and living <Ac 3:1-10>
- 5) "Continuous prayers" can solve all disturbances in the spiritual life, making man enjoy an abundant human life that is exceedingly victorious <Eph 5:18>
- 6) "Concentration prayers" can break all of Satan's fortified base camps, bringing turning points to living and ministry <Ac 12:1-23>

# 3. How to heal "spiritual illness"?

- 1) So called spiritual illness, refers to problems of "inability to converse with God, often receive demonic influences"
- 2) Receive "God's word" and confirm, to solve problems of "doubts" and "disbelief" <Heb 4:12, 11:6>
- 3) Understand the "mystery of the gospel of Christ", to get rid of "religious nature and bondage" in life <Ro 8:1-39>
- 4) Understand and experience of "the Holy Spirit's indwelling and conviction", often willing to submit to the guidance of the Holy Spirit <Eph 1:13-14; 1Th 5:19; Eph 5:15-21>
- 5) Must restore living methods (prayer) of "often seeking God's will and submit" <Ro 12:2>
- 6) Must restore the living direction and goal of "heavenly kingdom direction" <Mt 6:33>

## 4. How to heal "Psychological illness"?

- 1) First, receive firm assurance of my own life (life that is eternally blessed, called, beloved)
- 2) Get to know the "eternal promises in Christ", and must confirm.
- 3) Must receive "reasons to give thanks" in all the wounds and failures of the past,
- 4) To discover God's guidance and perfect will in the content and conditions of present living
- 5) Must restore eternal hope and expectation in days to come
- 6) Must restore merciful heart and blessed prayer for all people

## 5. How heal "illness of the physical body"?

- 1) First, examine my own life, and also test and approve God's will, must restore intimate relationship with God
- 2) Not only to pray for the illness to be healed, more so to pray for "glorifying God and blessing people because of the illness"
- 3) By regarding God's word and prayer as central in living, sustain the state of being filled with the Holy Spirit
- 4) Receive "blessed schedule of healthy living" for the body (food, exercise, sleep)
- 5) Also receive treatment of the doctor and medication with heart of thanksgiving
- 6) In the process and timetable of treatment, certainly has God's important plan, often testify the Lord's grace to bless surrounding people