

Truths to uphold (not Goals)i

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The following seven truths are part of the Father's plan for the healing ministry:

- 1. God the Father has authorized only one healing ministry, that of His Son. Jesus continues to heal today through us, His body. We should not start our own healing ministry but join the healing ministry of Jesus.
 - † "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" (Heb 13:8).
- 2. What good is it to be the healthiest person in hell?
 - † Healing is to accompany the proclamation of God's word and lead people to accept Jesus as Lord and Savior (Mk 16:17-18).
 - t What shall it profit a man to gain perfect physical health, but lose his soul? (see Lk 9:25)

One of the Greek words for "healing" means "salvation." Jeremiah prays:

- † "Heal me, Lord, that I may be healed; save me, that I may be saved" (Jer 17:14).
- 3. Health and healing rallies, restores and empowers believers to build the kingdom. †Healing is a sign of God's kingdom (Matthew 10:7-8).
- 4. Our heavenly Father loves His children and wants them healed. His principal motivation for healing is love.
- 5. Healers are to raise up and disciple other healers. The Lord wants hundreds of millions of people in this ministry.
- 6. Jesus heals the whole person. He wants us healed in every way physically, mentally, psychologically, sexually and spiritually.
- 7. Jesus sees us as individuals and as a healing community.
 - † Jesus heals by families (see Ex 20:5-6).
 - t"If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it" (1 Cor 12:26).

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i http://www.presentationministries.com/brochures/Healing.asp (The Imitation of Christ)