

***Light Up The Scriptures*, 10-16-2012**

128 – Let it be according to your faith

Everything that has occurred in all our lives up to today, appears to me to be massive preparation for massive breakthrough for total victory, IN Jesus Christ. Each of us will, I believe, light up the way for others to come to Him through Jesus Christ. Lights don't get between anyone and Jesus; they simply illuminate the path for others to find Him. Lights don't call attention to themselves, but on what their beams are focused.

I'm going all through this because, for almost 23 years, I stood, like a middleman, between people who came to me looking for healing, and the only true source of all healing: The Lord Jesus Christ Himself. When Barbara and I come to New England next week, we will have entered officially, a new season in which healing occurs directly BY the Holy Spirit at the faith-filled REQUEST of we who are FILLED with His Holy Spirit. Any other action could be seen as putting a patch over a hole:

Let's get into the scriptures, beginning with **Matthew 9:16-17**

16 "Now no one is patching a patch of unshrunk shred on an old cloak, for the patch which fills it up is lifting some from the cloak itself, and the rent is becoming worse.

When Jesus does the healing, He doesn't put a patch over old stuff; He heals the whole person.

17 Neither are they draining fresh wine into old wine skins; otherwise, surely the wine skins are bursting, and the wine is spilling, and the wine skins perish. But they are draining fresh wine into new wine skins, and both are preserved."

When the Lord healed Barbara of muscular dystrophy 23+ years ago, he didn't just make her arms and legs work better; He healed her **entirely**, AND removed the curse from her lineage and the rest of the family too.

When Barbara prayed for the blind boy in Nigeria, and witnessed his iris and pupils form out of pure, blank white balls, she prayed in the name of Jesus Christ...period...knowing that healing – true healing – is in His hands alone.

When we put ourselves entirely in His hands, healing is accomplished according to His word and His will, and we are remade in the process.

Jesus seemed to be the most impressed with people who's healing did not depend on Him to DO anything, but only to speak the word, or for his garment to be touched.

Matthew 8

5 Now at His entering into Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, entreating Him

6 and saying, "Lord, my boy is prostrate in the house, a paralytic, dreadfully tormented."

7 And he is saying to him, "I, coming, will cure him."

8 And answering, the centurion averred, "Lord, I am not competent that Thou mayest enter under my roof, but only say the word and my boy will be healed!

9 For I also am a man set under authority, having soldiers under me, and I am saying to this one, 'Go,' and he is going, and to another, 'Come,' and he is coming, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he is doing it."

10 Now, hearing it, Jesus marvels. And He said to those following, "Verily, I am saying to you, With no one in Israel so much faith did I find.

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...**13** And Jesus said to the centurion, "Go! **As you believe let it come to be with you!**" And healed was the boy in that hour. And the centurion, returning into his house in the same hour, found the boy sound. ...

...**17** ...so that may be fulfilled which is declared through Isaiah the prophet, saying, "**He our infirmities got, and the diseases He bears.**"

Matthew 9:

2 And lo! they brought to Him a paralytic, prostrate on a couch. And Jesus, **perceiving their faith**, said to the paralytic, "Courage, child! Pardoned are your sins!"

3 And lo! some of the scribes say among themselves, "This man is blaspheming!"

4 And Jesus, perceiving their sentiments, said, "Why are you brooding wickedness in your hearts?

5 For what is easier, to be saying, 'Pardoned are your sins,' or to be

saying, 'Rouse and walk'?

6 Now, that you may be perceiving that the Son of Mankind has authority on earth to pardon sins"-then He is saying to the paralytic, "Being roused, pick up your couch and go into your house."

7 And, being roused, he came away into his house.

8 Now, on perceiving it, the throngs were afraid, and they glorify God, Who is giving such authority to men.

Matthew 9:

19 And, being roused, Jesus and His disciples follow him.

20 And lo! a woman with a hemorrhage twelve years, approaching from behind, touches the tassel of His cloak,

21 for she said in herself, "If ever I should only be touching His cloak, I shall be saved."

In other words, if I do the only thing I know to do, I'll be healed, or "saved" as this passage says.

22 Now Jesus, being turned and perceiving her, said, "Courage, daughter! ***Your faith has saved you.***" And saved was the woman from that hour.

We're talking about healing here. The woman wanted and needed healing, but she ***and*** the Lord equated healing with saving! Also, notice that Jesus did not say that because she touched Him she was saved – or healed. He said "***Your faith has saved you.***" Is it not reasonable, then, to learn that ***saving heals***, and that saving comes by our ***faith***?

Acts 4:12

...there is no salvation in any other one, for neither is there any other name, given under heaven among men, in which we must be saved.

Acts 15:11

... through the grace of the Lord Jesus we are believing, to be saved...

Acts 16:31

Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved...

Romans 10:9, 13

9...if ever you should be avowing with your mouth the declaration that Jesus is Lord, and should be believing in your heart that God rouses Him from among the dead, you shall be saved.

13 For everyone, whoever should be invoking the name of the Lord, shall be saved.

Ephesians 2:

8 For in grace, through faith, are you saved, and this is not out of you; it is God's approach present,

9 not of works, lest anyone should be boasting.

1 Peter 2:4

by Whose welt you were healed.

Isaiah 6:10

8 **Then I heard the voice of Yahweh saying: "Whom shall I send? And who shall go to this nation?" So I answered, "Behold me! Send me!"** 9 **Then He said: Go, and you will say to this people, Hear, yea hear, yet do not understand; And see, yea see, yet do not know.** 10 **Stouten the heart of this people, And make its ears heavy, And make its eyes squint, Lest it may see with its eyes, And with its ears it may hear, And with its heart it may understand, And it gets healing again for itself.**

Seems to me, we already *know* that salvation comes through faith of the son of God...why not healing too?

We saw this next example last week:

Matthew 10

1 And, calling His twelve disciples to Him, He gives them authority over unclean spirits, so as to be casting them out, and to be curing every disease and every debility.

Matthew 12

10 And lo! a man having a withered hand. And they inquire of Him, saying, "Is it allowed on the sabbaths to cure?" that they should be accusing Him.

11 Now He said to them, "What man of you will there be, who will have one sheep, and if ever this should be falling into a pit on the sabbaths, will not take hold of it and raise it?"

12 Of how much more consequence, then, is a man than a sheep! So that it is allowed to be doing ideally on the sabbaths."

13 **Then He is saying to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he**

stretches it out and it was restored, sound as the other.

14 Now, coming out, the Pharisees held a consultation against Him, so that they should be destroying Him.

15 Now Jesus, knowing it, retires thence. And many follow Him, and **He cures them all.**

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22 Then was brought to Him a demoniac, blind and mute, and He cures him, so that the mute man is speaking and observing.

Matthew 14

28 Yet, answering Him, Peter said, "Lord, if it is Thou, order me to come to Thee on the waters."

29 Now He said, "Come!" And, descending from the ship, Peter walks on the waters, to come to Jesus.

30 Yet, observing the strong wind, he was afraid. And, beginning to sink, he cries, saying, "Lord, save me!"

31 Now immediately Jesus, stretching out His hand, got hold of him and is saying to him, "Scant of faith, why do you hesitate?"

...35 And, recognizing Him, the men of that place dispatch into that whole country about, and they bring to Him all those who have an illness.

36 And they entreated Him that they should only be touching the tassel of His cloak. And whoever touch it were brought safely through.

Matthew 15

22 And lo! a Canaanitish woman, coming out from those boundaries, cried, saying, "Be merciful to me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is evilly demonized."

23 Yet He answered her not a word. And, approaching, His disciples asked Him, saying, "Dismiss her, for she is crying behind us."

24 Now He, answering, said, "I was not commissioned except for the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

25 Yet she, coming, worships Him, saying, "Lord, help me!"

26 Yet He, answering, said, "It is not ideal to be taking the children's bread and to be casting it to the puppies."

27 Yet she said, "Yes, Lord! For the puppies also are eating of the scraps that are falling from their masters' table."

28 Then, answering, Jesus said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let

it come to be with you as you are wanting." And healed was her daughter from that hour.

Matthew 17

14 ...a man came to Him, falling on his knees before Him and saying,

15 "Lord, be merciful to my son, for he is epileptic, and is having an evil time! For often he is falling into the fire and often into the water.

16 And I bring him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him."

17 Now then answering, Jesus said to them, "O generation unbelieving and perverse! Till when shall I be with you? Till when shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me."

18 And Jesus rebukes it, and the demon came out from him, and the boy was cured from that hour.

19 Then the disciples, coming to Jesus privately, said, "Wherefore could we not cast it out?"

20 Now He is saying to them, "Because of your scant faith. For verily I am saying to you, If you should have faith as a kernel of mustard, you shall be declaring to this mountain, 'Proceed hence-there!' and it will be proceeding. And nothing will be impossible for you."

Matthew 19

26 Now, looking at them, Jesus said to them, "With men this is impossible, yet with God all is possible."

Matthew 22

29 ...Jesus said to them, "You are deceived, not being acquainted with the scriptures, nor yet with the power of God.

John 11 - Lazarus

34 And He said, "Where have you placed him?" They are saying to Him, "Lord, come and see."

35 Jesus weeps.

36 The Jews, then, said, "Lo! how fond He was of him!"

37 Yet some of them said, "Could not this One Who opens the eyes of the blind man, also make it that this man should not be dying?"

38 Jesus, then, again muttering in Himself, is coming to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone was laid on it.

39 Jesus is saying, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the deceased, is saying to Him, "Lord, he is already smelling, for it is the fourth day."

40 Jesus is saying to her, "Did I not say to you that, if ever you should be believing, you should be seeing the glory of God?"

41 They, then, take away the stone. Yet Jesus lifts up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank Thee that Thou hearest Me.

42 Now I was aware that Thou art hearing Me always, but because of the throng standing about I said it, that they should be believing that thou dost commission Me."

43 And, saying these things, He clamors with a loud voice, "Lazarus! Hither! Out!"

44 And out came he who had died, bound feet and hands with winding sheets, and his countenance had been bound about with a handkerchief. Jesus is saying to them, "Loose him and let him go!"

Mark 16

15 And He said to them, "Go into all the world; herald the evangel to the entire creation.

16 He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, yet he who disbelieves shall be condemned.

17 Now these signs shall fully follow in those who believe: In My name they shall be casting out demons; they will be speaking in new languages;

18 they will be picking up serpents; and if they should be drinking anything deadly, it should under no circumstances be harming them; they will be placing hands on those who are ailing, and ideally will they be having it."

19 The Lord, indeed, then, after speaking with them, was taken up into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God.

20 Now they, coming away, herald everywhere, the Lord working together with them and confirming the word by the signs following them up.

John 14

12 Verily, verily, I am saying to you, he who is believing in Me, the works which I am doing he also will be doing, and greater than these will he be doing, for I am going to the Father.

13 And whatever you should be requesting in My name, this I will be

doing, that the Father should be glorified in the Son.

14 If you should ever be requesting anything of Me in My name, this I will be doing.

Hands – no hands – greater works – the Lord working together with us and confirming the word by the signs following them up. None of this was ever to glorify a person, man or woman, but, as the Lord said in verse 13, That the Father should be glorified in the Son, because everything is done IN HIS NAME!

So...tonight I am officially renouncing any position I took or that anyone placed me in, between them and God. His word, matched by our faith, has the power to raise the dead, health the sick, and accomplish whatever God's purpose is in and through our lives.