

Healing through God's Word

Exercising Faith for Healing

Testimony by Tim Taylor June 20, 2011 - My mother had a stroke on April 18th. Her ability to communicate was greatly affected. She needed assistance 24/7 because she could not communicate at all. When I arrived on May 31st she could speak a few words and that, not consistently. She could barely write the alphabet and she could not dial phone numbers. We meditated on God's word every morning starting June 3rd and by the time I left on June 14th she'd begun to speak in sentences, she could dial a phone and she'd mastered her signature so she could once again begin to write checks. She's continued this exercise and sees improvement every day. The doctors and her speech therapist all noted the great leap in progress after we began meditating on God's word. It was dramatic and the joy in my Mom's life is remarkable. I've never seen her with as much joy nor laughter. Below are the scriptures and exhortations we began meditating upon every day.

God made us in His image. He framed the world by His word and so can we. Through faith in Jesus name we have access to covenantal promises for healing. Meditating on God's word is powerful way to exercise your faith and "frame" or change your world. **Meditating is accomplished by verbally repeating scriptures over and over again out loud so you can hear yourself speak.** The goal is to build up your faith which is accomplished as these scriptures move from your mind into your heart where faith is exercised.

- Romans 10:10 - For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
- Romans 10:17 - So then faith [comes] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
- Hebrews 11:3 - By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.
- Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God [is] living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
- Isaiah 55:11 - So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper [in the thing] for which I sent it.
- Psalm 30:2-3 - O LORD my God, I cried out to You, And You healed me. O LORD, You brought my soul up from the grave; You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.
- Psalm 103:2-5 - Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, Who satisfies your mouth with good [things], [So that] your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- Psalm 107:19-20 - Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, [And] He saved them out of their distresses. He sent His word and healed them, And delivered [them] from their destructions.
- 1 Peter 2:24 - who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.
- Acts 3:11-16 Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed. 12 So when

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Peter saw it, he responded to the people: "Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? 13 The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go. 14 But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, 15 and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. 16 And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

- Matthew 17:20 - So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this **mountain**, 'Move from here to there,' and it will **move**; and nothing will be impossible for you.
- Psalm 34:4 - I sought the LORD, and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears.
- Psalm 34:6-7 - This poor man cried out, and the LORD heard [him], And saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, And delivers them.
- Psalm 34:17 - 19 - [The righteous] cry out, and the LORD hears, And delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD [is] near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit. Many [are] the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all.
 - (Tim's note: Jesus made a way for us to make sure that our relationship with God is good, so He WILL HEAR us when we cry out. Sin separates us from God. When we agree with God's word, calling what the bible calls sin as sin, and we confess our sin, ask forgiveness, and then repent, choose not to do it again, then all our sins and guilt are TOTALLY washed away like it never happened. Therefore we've been made righteous by what Jesus did on the cross. Now we KNOW that He hears our cry. (Romans 6:23, 1 John 1:9-10, Acts 3:19, Romans 10:9-10, John 1:12, John 3:16, 1 John 2:1-4) If we make a mistake and sin again, the bible teaches us that if we confess it, ask forgiveness, and repent, our sin or error is washed away. The goal of removing the sin or error is because that sin breaks our relationship with God and in the case where our sin affects others it could break relationship with them. To restore relationship with one whom we have hurt requires us to speak to them and ask their forgiveness and to repent, commit to not do the offense again. Doing so restores relationship and communication with God and with people.