## PHYSICAL HEALING—PART ONE

# "The Causes of Physical Illness"

Three important disclaimers:		
	1.	
	2.	
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I.	Some are sick because of personal sin.	
II.	Sickness can also be caused by Satan.	
III.	The most pervasive reason for sickness is due to the cumulative effect of sin upon our world:	
	A. The effects of aging	
	B. Cause-and-effect	
Even though we are just beginning to look at this controversial subject, my preliminary advice with respect to divine healing is as follows:		
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	2.	
	3.	

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## PHYSICAL HEALING—PART TWO

# "Can Physical Illness be Beneficial to a Christian?"

I.	Is it possible to be living in an obedient relationship with God and yet be sick?
	A. II Kings 13:14a
	B. Galatians 4:13-14
	C. Philippians 2:25-27
	D. I Timothy 5:23
	E. II Timothy 4:20
II.	Are there any divine purposes behind physical illness/disease?  A.
	B.
	C.
	D.
	E.

#### PHYSICAL HEALING—PART THREE

# "A Cure for Physical Illness" James 5:13-16

This practice is what a Christian **MAY** do when he/she gets sick.

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These elders/spiritual leaders are to do two things (v. 14):

- #1 Pray
- #2 Anoint with oil in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

PRAY—Main verb (aorist, imperative) ANOINT—Participle

SO→ It is the prayer offered in faith (v. 15), **not** the oil, that brings restoration!

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What about the interpretation that claims that this passage is dealing with nothing more than asking us to employ proper medical techniques?

In the Bible, anointing someone with oil carries with it the idea of:

- Consecration
- Sanctification
- Setting apart—A person or thing for God's service

### PHYSICAL HEALING—PART FOUR

## "A Healing Model"

- I. 5 Steps (observations from the healing ministry of Jesus Christ):
  - A. Interview—Be aware of 2 different dimensions
    - 1. The natural plane
    - 2. The supernatural plane
  - B. Make a Diagnostic Decision
  - C. Prayer Selection (asking for spiritual discernment)
  - D. Season of Prayer

During this time, avoid 2 temptations:

- 1. Praying about everything
- 2. Believing that almost everyone needs to pray out loud
- E. Post-Prayer Directions

### II. Some Other Questions

- A. Who should be called upon for this time of prayer?
- B. When & where?
- C. How many?
- D. What about healing lines in a worship service?
- E. How to maintain good health?
  - 1. Immerse yourself in the Word of God
  - 2. Be led by the Spirit of God
  - 3. Rebuke Satan
  - 4. Regulate what enters into your mind
  - 5. Develop proper habits (diet, sleep, exercise)
  - 6. Endure/Persevere

### III. Final Thoughts