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<sup>17</sup> So Jesus answered and said,
"Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?"
<sup>19</sup> And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

Luke 17:17-19 NKJV



### How to Receive Healing from God

In this month's devotional, we'll look at the Samaritan leper who was made whole:

and it came to pass as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered into a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" And when He saw them, He said unto PO Box 50555 Colorado Springs CO 80949 Phone: 719-243-4100 Website: www.clpmi.org

them, "Go, show yourselves unto the priests." And it came to pass that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them when he saw that he was healed, turned back and with a loud voice gloried God, and fell on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? There are none found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger." And He said unto him, "Arise; go thy way. Thy faith hath made thee whole." (Luke 17:11-19 KJ21)

### Brought Together by a Common Condition

Now, the number ten is significant, because it represents wholeness; but obviously, there is a difference in this group, because the Samaritan was from a different culture. The other nine were lepers too, but they were from Israel. They had been brought together by their common condition. You'll find that people with the same issues will often group together as they can relate to each other and understand each other's condition. In one country, I ministered over the telephone to one person after another and each one had cancer. As one person was healed, so they would recommend that I would pray for their friends. Physical change would take place right over the phone as the Holy Spirit is never limited by distance. Each

one received such wonderful results that they went and immediately told another friend. You see, they were all connected, they knew each other, and they were of like heart, because they were each dealing with the same physical problems. Interestingly, each of them had extreme problems and severe complications which challenged them. Their condition had brought them together, but one after another they were all healed.

On another occasion, I was part of a telephone conference with people from all over the States; it was an encouragement group for people with serious physical problems. They had grouped together, because, again, they understood each other's experiences. That didn't mean that they were getting healed, indeed sometimes they'd listen to each other's problems so much that their identity became strengthened in their problems! This is not dissimilar to the way that some people who go to alcoholic support groups take on the identity of that problem, and even introduce themselves by saying that they are an alcoholic. I understand that relationally it helps to have a group of people who know what you're going through, but there's a difference between receiving help from humans and receiving help from God. Receiving help from God is about Jesus Christ. Receiving help from other people is always about you and them. If you're going to receive from God, it's about His Son and the cross, which means we can take on the identity of freedom. As I ministered in the Spirit to this group of people during the conference call, I focused them on Jesus, because He is the answer. Their hearts were so used to identifying with their problems that it was interesting to hear the different responses that came out of their heart.

They were inclined to get their identity

from each other. They comforted each other and, in the natural realm, helped each other feel better. In reality, that was their heart's desire; they just wanted to feel better. They were happy to retain the identity of the problem, because other people related to them in that identity and gave them more love and acceptance than they'd ever received before. So, you can see why they didn't want to lose their condition and their identity with it. Socially they were connected to each other and they didn't want to let go of the relationships, which gave them fulfilment; something they had always desired. They had joined a club where all that was needed was some physical problem. They didn't want to let go of that; as it was now part of their identity.

## **Ministry News**

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By August, our new accounting system should be in place and functioning well. A feature is that our new website will be fully connected to all accounting functions, which will greatly increase efficiency and save many hours of work that were spent on operating several unconnected systems. The transition to our new www.clpmi.org website will also bring improvements and be more user-friendly. So, we are excited about this improvement which will bring us to a new level in our ministry operations.

### Find Your Identity in Christ not in Your Need

Until you can identify with freedom and until that freedom is better than bondage. you'll establish a contrary truth within your heart. Focus your heart on Jesus, so that you can relate to any issue with a more positive perspective based on life. If you draw your self-worth from Jesus instead of from people, then you can have better quality relationships with people than you've ever had before. These will be good relationships because you're not selfish. We can establish very selfish relationships with people, if we are not careful, where everything is about us, and everyone else is there to meet our needs. This can work both ways. The person with the problem can get their needs met by others, and those helping can get their sense of worth from helping them! This is the way needy people relate to each other; they depend on each other to fulfill their needs. When you're focused on Jesus, however, you're not just a taker, you are a lover. When you have a revelation of Jesus, and of your identity firmly established in Him, you'll always be thinking how to bless other people by giving them something or doing something good for them. It will be no longer about what people can do for you or how they make you feel.

When the ten lepers came to Jesus they were together, because of their common condition and need. When they cried out to Jesus and He said "go show yourselves to the Priest," their identity began to change and as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, turned back and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell on his face at Jesus' feet giving Him thanks. He had his eyes on Jesus, believed and received his healing and Jesus said to him, "arise, go your way thy faith hath made thee whole". Lisa and I, are very grateful to you our friends and partners of this ministry, as together we are seeing lives changed. We believe that our partners are greatly prospering – spirit, soul, and body – as you experience an increase in the seed you have sown multiplying and increase in the fruits of your righteousness. God's richest blessings in Christ are already yours. Believe and establish this truth in your heart and have an open heart to receive all that God has given you in Christ Jesus.

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## <u>Testamonies</u>

An elderly lady asked for prayer concerning pain in her back and hips, which she had lived with for a long time. She was completely healed and was so happy she, with tears, hugged me and my wife, expressing gratitude to Jesus.

A young married lady, who had been previously healed when I prayed for her back problem, came for prayer at the request of her husband as her neck was a constant problem for her. After prayer she was instantly healed and, no matter how much she moved it, there was no pain.

A little boy, who was dealing with fear at night, was set free and shared how he felt the presence of God as the peace of God consumed him.

# **Teaching Products**



#### How to Receive Healing from God Book \$20 Item B001

This book is about receiving the life of Christ into our physical bodies. It's about receiving healing! There are many different areas in which we can receive from God; for example, relationships, finances, health for our bodies, and, most important of all, salvation. You receive from God in each of these areas in a different way. You don't receive help for finances in the same way you do for healing. Each involves a particular way to receive from God.

So how does it actually work? How do you receive the manifestations? How do you receive healing in your body?

That's the theme of this book. Reading it and allowing the Holy Spirit to establish truth in your heart will teach you how to receive healing for yourself, and help equip you to minister healing to others.

# Issues of the Solution Heart By Cred Platon

#### Issues of the Heart 4 CD's \$28 Item 4015

The issues of our heart that are formed from judgments is what allows our problems to have power over us. A judgment is when we go beyond the facts of the problem. In the imagination of our heart, we begin to establish deep beliefs contrary to the truth of God's Word, but are truth to us. Unbelief is always about us and the relationship we establish with life's problems. Jesus said to "take no thought" as taking thought is part of the process of empowering life's problems.

It was for living in freedom as a way of life that Jesus set us free. I believe this teaching will help people with deep hurts within their heart be made whole. People who it seems have problems that have power over them can live free and learn a new way of relating to life in Christ that will enable them to walk in freedom. Once you experience this, I believe you will never want to go back, as you will love the ways of life in Christ!



#### Setting Captives Free 4 CD's \$28 Item 4014

Life experiences can have a devastating effect upon the heart which in turn can hinder our ability to fully trust God. After hearing a wonderful message on God's love and the promises of God, a lady asked, "I want to trust God, but how do I get over terrible things I have gone through in life to be able to trust God again?" This teaching is for those who feel that they never change. They want to experience God's goodness in the land of the living, but the promises of God always seem elusive. Life for them is always a struggle under the weight of the issues of life, with problems always having power over them.

This teaching is also for those who have a desire to minister effectively to Christians who always seem to stay in their problems and never change.



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#### The Father's Love 3 CD's \$21 Item 2007

This teaching is available to download for free on our website www.clpmi.org.

The condition of our own heart can blind us to the fullness of the Father's love. Coming to the end of self is important, but it does not bring a complete change of heart. It is only the beginning of change. This teaching will reveal the heart of two brothers, who each, in their own way, were full of themselves, but neither fully knew the heart of their own father. His heart towards them never changed, it was always a heart of unconditional love. Because of the condition of our own heart, we can be blind to the fullness of the Father's love, especially when there are strong judgments from the beliefs within your heart. It is one thing to know in an experiential way, as revealed by the Holy Spirit, our Father's heart of love, as described in Luke 15:17-24. Jesus' parable of the lost son reveals the Father's true heart: "But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him ... But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry."