

Doing Healing

Healing in the Kingdom of God

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Introduction.....

Our life and death battle with sickness, and our desperate need for healing
 (Post)modern obsession with our bodies
 People think of sickness (primarily) in terms of the body... physical healing
 Is there any real hope (means) of healing?
 Yes there is! In God's Kingdom...
 I call it War, Mercy, and Mystery

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Healing in God's Kingdom

- Healing in the medical science kingdom?
- 'Alternative Healing' kingdom?
- 'Healing' in Satan's kingdom? (2Thess 2:9)
 "...the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, that deceive those who are perishing—they refuse to love the truth and so be saved"
- The Kingdom of God is 'Divine Healing'

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The biblical concept of the Kingdom of God

- 'Kingdom' means 'rule', power, authority
- It is God's rule confronting Satan's rule
- Satan rules thru' sin, sickness, demons, death, pain, poverty, injustice, etc
- Human beings are enslaved/oppresed by evil in all dimensions of personhood
- "The thief comes only to rob, kill and destroy, but I come to give (eternal) life..."

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The biblical concept of the Kingdom of God

- Jesus came bringing the future/heavenly Reign of God into the present, to earth...
- 1John 3:8 ?
- "For this reason the Son of God appeared that he might destroy the works of Satan"
- Pray Matthew 6:10,13 ?
- "Your Kingdom come, your will be done...
 Deliver us from the evil one, for yours..."

Healing in God's Kingdom

- Therefore... Divine healing is war with evil
- It is sheer mercy from God in Jesus Christ
- The leper said to Jesus: "If you're willing, you can heal me". "I am willing, be healed"
- **IT IS THE WILL OF GOD TO HEAL!**
- It is mystery because of the 'already' and 'not yet' of God's Kingdom
- And it is 'wholistic', not only physical

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The Six Dimensions of Sickness and Healing

- *Spiritual sickness and healing*
- *Psycho-emotional healing (past hurts)*
- *Demonization and deliverance*
- *Bodily sickness and healing*
- *Relational brokenness and healing*
- *Healing of death and dying*