

Divine Healing Meeting

Held in Shiloh Tabernacle, Tuesday Afternoon, April 22, 1902.

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THERE is no ambiguity in the teaching and preaching of the General Overseer.

It is so direct and simple that a child can understand, and so practical that it appeals to the understanding of the most intelligent listener.

This is especially true in his treatment of the fundamental principles of Salvation and Healing.

He always places them in their Scriptural and logical order.

Salvation first; then Healing.

In his teaching and preaching at the Divine Healing Meeting, held in Shiloh Tabernacle, on Tuesday afternoon, April 22, 1902, there was no room for his hearers to misunderstand the essential conditions of the manifestations of God's Healing Power.

Lovingly, yet firmly, the truth was pressed home to the understanding and consciences of those who were seeking God's blessing in their bodies.

And the spoken word was accompanied by the conscious Power of the Holy Spirit.

It was not spoken alone to those who listened to the speaker's voice, but also to that vast multitude to whom the inspired utterances will be borne on the wings of the Little White Dove.

Alone in their conscious need and sorrow many will read in this and the coming time, and the blessing of God that was invoked at the beginning will follow the Message in its mission of Hope and Love.

It was the first Divine Healing Meeting held in Shiloh Tabernacle, and in its manifest Power a glorious earnest of many that are to follow.

Shiloh Tabernacle, Zion City, Illinois, Tuesday Afternoon, April 22, 1902.

The meeting was opened with the singing of Hymn No. 151, Gospel Hymns Nos. 5 and 6.

Come, we that love the Lord.
And let your joys be known
Join in a song with sweet accord;
And thus surround the Throne.

CHORUS—We're marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful City of God.

Overseer Jane Dowie read from the Inspired Word of God the whole of the 67th Psalm, and the first seventeen verses of the 8th Chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

The General Overseer then said:

When we say "let us pray," do not let me be the only one to do the praying. You pray, also.

Some of the most marvelous healings that I have ever known have been those of person who were healed while we all were praying; persons who expected God to bless them, and who got a blessing before the teaching was closed, or the prayer-room opened; and who got very perfect ones, too.

The General Overseer then offered prayer, after which Hymn No. 350 was sung.

Christ has for sin atonement made,
What a wonderful Savior!
We are redeemed! The price is paid!
What a wonderful Savior!

Chorus—What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Jesus!
What a wonderful Savior is Jesus, my Lord!

I praise Him for the cleansing blood,
What a wonderful Savior!
That reconciled my soul to God;
What a wonderful Savior!

He cleansed my heart from all its sin,
What a wonderful Savior!

The Blood of the Christ Cleanses from All Sin.

We must not be content with merely singing these words, we must know, by personal experience, that they

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are true.

I wonder whether you all can say that the third verse expresses your experience.

He cleansed my heart from all its sin.

Not merely from some, but from all its sin

It is a great thing to be able to say that; not merely that your sins are forgiven, but that your heart is completely cleansed.

“The blood of Jesus, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin.”

How far have you a right to thank Him for the cleansing blood?

How much has God done for you?

Do not be satisfied with being forgiven for past sin; but think of the privilege which is yours—that of being cleansed from all sin!

If you are not thus cleansed, ask God to do it; and if you cannot say that He cleansed you, you can sing, “He will cleanse my heart from all its sin,” and then you can go right to Him for the cleansing.

He Cleansed my heart from all its sin,
What a wonderful Savior!
And now He reigns and rules therein.

Is that true?

God Will Heal Only in His Own Way.

It is just here that the blessing comes first—in a prepared heart.

God will not give you the blessing of Divine Healing for your body if you do not yield your spirit entirely to Him.

God will do things in His own way.

“I think so and so” you say.

Well, it does not matter what you think; and it does not matter what I think.

Never forget that.

The only thing that matters is what God thinks, and you have to think as He thinks, or else you will not think rightly.

You have to do as God tells you, or you will not do rightly.

His thoughts are not your thoughts, and His ways are not your ways.

All God’s methods are entirely different from ours.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

One great trouble with humanity is that they want their own way; and when they get it, they go to smash.

There is no quicker way for a man to go to pieces than for him to go his own way.

Keeping and Overcoming Power Needed by Those Who Are Saved and Healed.

But if he will go God’s Way, he will be kept together and be strong.

Ask God to do for you that which will enable you to sing:

He cleansed my heart from all its sin,
What a wonderful Saviour!
And now He reigns and rules therein;
what a wonderful Saviour!

He walks beside me in the way,
What a wonderful Savior!
And keeps me faithful day by day;
What a wonderful Savior!

It is not only a good thing to be saved and healed, but the best of all is to be kept—“kept by the power of God through faith unto Salvation.”

You need not only to be made well, but to be kept well; not only to be made clean, but to be kept clean.

He gives me Overcoming Power
What a wonderful Savior!
And triumph in each trying hour
What a wonderful Savior!

It is a wonderful thing to receive Overcoming Power—to overcome the World, the Flesh, and the Devil.

When you have overcome the World, you have realized a great victory; but when you have overcome your own Flesh, overcome and conquered self, you have obtained a greater victory.

The Evil of Bothering About Old Sorrows.

If you do not already possess this Overcoming Power, I want you to get it.

Just think of the many things that God has promised “to him that overcometh.”

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CHRIST, THE UNCHANGEABLE HEALER.

Put on your thinking-caps.
 People do not think keenly enough.
 They do not think continuously; they let go.
 Now, hold on! Think, and think until you get through!

“He give me Overcoming Power!”

Have you overcome the World, the Flesh, and the Devil today?

Have you overcome your bad habits, or is there need to cut off a little piece of your tongues, or to sweeten them a little?

Do you continue to bother about the past?

That is another trouble with many people.

They keep thinking about something that has happened; and they are, therefore, always in trouble.

They have an old sorrow, and spend all their leisure in digging it out of its grave, and rattling its skeleton over the stones.

**Better to Overcome the Past than to Be
 Overcome by the Past.**

Or they have an old wound, and they like every now and then to open it and give it a rub until it becomes a very painful and offensive sore, so that everybody around knows that the old wound is there.

That is a very bad habit.

Let it go.

It is in the past anyway.

Get the Power to Overcome past things.

Do not let your past overcome you.

The way to overcome the past is to go right on into the future, and leave the past behind.

But think what that means—“He give me Overcoming Power!”

Overcoming Power over all the past—even the good things that have been done.

Some carry these good things around with them they are afraid that somebody will forget them

They like every now and then to enumerate them.

They keep a regular catalogue of them, and parade them until people get awfully tired of them.

They always tell you about their experiences.

I Take No Stock in your Experiences.

It is manna that was stinking long ago, if it ever was any good.

And, besides, I discount these old experiences.

What is the use bothering about them. Leave them alone.

Go on, and get a new and better experience.

Overcome the habit of trotting out all the good things you ever did.

I suppose it is not difficult for some of you to trot them all out, for they are few in number.

If you had done a great deal of good in your life, you would not be able to remember a tithe, a hundredth, or even a thousandth part of it.

I like to forget the things that are past, both good and evil, and to look forward to better things.

A man may do more harm to the cause of true religion than tongue can tell by continually pouring out his old experiences.

Why don't you get some new experience to talk about—something that is fresh and up-to-date?

When you participate in an experience meeting, you ought to tell some very recent experience.

God Demands a Permanent Consecration.

What a wonderful Giver He is to give Overcoming Power and Triumph in each trying hour! What a wonderful Conqueror!

To Him I've given all my heart,
 What a wonderful Savior!

Is that true? Be quite sure about it!

The world shall never share a part;
 What a wonderful Savior!

That is a pretty strong thing to say. It is a grand and glorious thing to be able to say it truly.

The Devil shall never have a part; the Flesh shall never have a part, because, “To Him I've given all my heart.”

I have heard of people giving their hearts, but they do not give them for long.

As the little boy said when something was given him, “Is it for keeps?”

Or is it only a loan—just a transient loan?

You sing it, and you give it then, and you give it for a time.

But something turns up, and it is at once very evident that your heart has not been given wholly to God

because, if you give your heart wholly to God, it carries everything with it.

Everthing Belongs to God.

It carries your time, and your talents, and your money and you business, and your husband, and your wife, and your son, and your daughter, and your friends—everything.

Can we truthfully sing this line from our hearts:

To Him I've given all my heart.

Or, is your heart holding on to the world?

Is it in a lot you bought in Zion City, and a one thousand one hundred years' lease?

Do not get your heart there, because you own nothing there. It is only a leasehold

All that any of us have in Zion City is a leasehold.

This ground is God's

If there is no other place in the world of which God is the owner, Zion City is such a place. It belongs to God.

Let us yield everything we have, remembering that it belongs to God.

See that your time, and your talent, and your money and your husband, and your wife, and your son, and your daughter, and your friends, and all the powers that God has given you, and all that He ever will give you, is given to God.

Entire Consecration Brings Real and Continuous Blessing.

I say here today, that I am grateful that I believe that the reason why God has so wonderfully blessed me is that "To Him I've given all my heart."

If you have not already given Him all your heart, if I were you, I would sing it this way:

To Him I now give all my heart.
The world shall never share a part.

If you give your heart to God wholly, He will make you such a blessing to the world in every way!

I say again that, looking back upon the past, I believe with all my heart that it has been only the entire consecration of all my spirit, soul, and body that has brought blessing; and it has been real and continuous.

That is the principal thing—not only to make it real for a time, but real for all time and under all circumstances.

Get a hold of that thought and when you sing these hymn, endeavor to mean every word.

After the announcements and further singing, the General Overseer pronounced the following

INVOCATION.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight and profitable unto this people, and unto all to whom these words shall come, in this and every land, in this and all the coming time, Till Jesus Come. Amen.

The words that have been read to you from the 8th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew will constitute my subject, not only for today, but for many days.

I shall specially speak to you this afternoon concerning the words in the 17th verse of the 9th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

JESUS, THE CHRIST, THE UNCHANGEABLE HEALER.

TEXT

That it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying Himself took our infirmities, and bare our diseases.

I want you this afternoon to listen very earnestly to every word that I shall say, as having a direct bearing upon the whole question of your own personal healing.

Let me first of all tell you that our Lord Jesus, the Christ, has not changed; that Jesus, the Christ, the Messiah, is "the same yesterday and today, yea and forever!" the same Savior, the same Healer, the same Cleanser, the same Keeper, the same Friend.

There is no change in Jesus.

And let me tell you that Jesus is not away from us, but that what He said is true, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the End of the World;" or, according to a better translation "Lo, I am with you All the Days, even unto the Consummation of the Age."

All the Days—there is not a day when He is not with us in spirit!

These two things you will please keep in mind.

There is no change in Him.

He is the same Savior, the same Healer, the same Cleanser, the same Keeper, the same Sympathetic Friend of humanity that He was in the days when He walked visibly in the flesh upon earth.

The Kingdom of Hell as Well as the Kingdom of Heaven is Within.

Remember, also, that He is always with us, although invisible.

We need also to keep in mind that human nature today is very much the same evil thing that it was nineteen centuries ago.

The human heart has not changed.

The Devil has not changed for the better.

Sin is still sin; disease is still Disease; death is still Death; and Hell is still the same old stinking Hell.

Filthy, foul Hell! A real Hell! Not a Hell that you can reach only through death.

You can find it within—perhaps in some of you.

The Kingdom of Hell is within mankind, as well as the Kingdom of Heaven.

Hell is a condition even more than a location.

Heaven, also, is a condition even more than a location.

It is a fact that there is a real Devil, and a real Devil's work going on in the world today, and that mankind is still made up of the same stupid, foolish kind of people; they let the Devil fool them every generation, the same old way.

You would think at mankind would learn something; that they could not always be fooled, but there is no change.

Humanity slow to Learn by the Sufferings of Past Generations.

Some whose fathers and grandfathers were fooled by whisky, are themselves fooled by whisky today.

Succeeding generations have been fooled by whisky, and all kinds of miseries have happened to them.

Tales could be told of bloodshed, of murder, of rapine, of woe, and of misery, right back for generations; and yet the present generation is going in just the same way.

The doctors have fooled generation after generation in the same old way; not with the same drugs, because

every generation of doctor says that the last generation was a generation of fools—and they are right.

The generation that is coming on will say that the generation that is passing away was a generation of fools—and they will be right.

Still the people continue to be fooled in every generation.

Therefore, I want you to think of what I shall say to you as something that happened a little less than two days ago, when Jesus, the Christ, was here in the flesh on earth.

One day is with the Lord as what?

AUDIENCE—"A thousand years."

GENERAL OVERSEER—And a thousand years is as what?

AUDIENCE—"One day."

To Think as God thinks Brings the Remote Past Very Near.

GENERAL OVERSEER—It is less than two thousand years since the Christ was here on earth, and these years are just two of God's days.

To God it is as if it were yesterday when His dear Son was here on earth.

Eternity, immeasurable time, is something that we cannot grasp; we have no words for it; but God is Eternal and His years are without end.

Not only to Him are a thousand years as but one day, but to those of use who think as God thinks, the things that happened when the Christ was here on earth are but as those of yesterday.

So much have I come to think in that way that I tell you frankly the things that Jesus wrought nineteen centuries ago, are to me more real than the things that I have seen wrought by God during the few short years of my own life—during the years in which I have ministered to multitudes in this and many other lands.

Listen closely to the teaching, for that is the most important thing.

Now open your Bibles to the 4th chapter of Matthew, and read the 23d verse:

And Jesus went about in all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness among the people.

The Importanace of Storing Up the Word of God in the Mind and Heart.

He went about doing three things.
 The first thing was Teaching.
 The second was Preaching.
 The last thing was Healing.
 How many kinds of sickness did He heal?

AUDIENCE—"All kinds."

GENERAL OVERSEER—Keep that in mind, and remember the place—Matthew 4:23.

The best place in which to make notes is in your mind.

Some of you have not much mind left.
 You lost it through taking medicine.

I could point to thousands of people that have poor memories because of the drugs they have taken, and of the wretched operations they have undergone.

I am so sorry when people forget; therefore I say bring pencil and paper; but I never carry pencil or paper.

Do you notice that I never preach from paper?

I have the word in my heart and head; then I get in front of my desk and look at you, and talk.

The next chapter I want you to read is the 9th chapter of Matthew, the 35th verse:

And Jesus went about all the cities and the villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of disease and all manner of sickness.

God Has to See that One Is in Earnest Before Giving Healing.

Here we find the order as before—Teaching, Preaching, and Healing.

Healing did not come first, nor second.
 It came last.

That is where it will come now.

You have to get the Teaching, and you have to Believe it, and you have to Live it.

God has to see that you are in earnest, before you can get Healing; remember that.

I know a good deal about this matter, although there are lots of things that I do not know.

When I don't know, I get a man that does know, and I say to him, How much do you know about this thing?"

He tells me, and I say, "Now go away; I will see you by and by."

Meanwhile I begin making inquiries about him and learn the opinion of competent persons to his

knowledge.

Having done that, I say to that man, I have made up my mind that you know how to do this thing. Now go and do it."

After he had done it, I examine the job and say, "That man did not know how to do it," or "He did know how to do it" as the case may be.

The Difficulty Is Not in Not Knowing the Law, But in Doing It.

Some people do not know, and therefore cannot do.
 Others do not and will not know.

And there are still others who will not pay the price that knowledge demands.

When you know the Will of God, you have to do it.

Let me tell you the difference between these three things, Teaching, Preaching and Healing.

Preaching the Word is only a secondary thing.

As used in the original, in the Scriptures, it means the simple proclamation of an ascertained truth—a declaration that something has happened.

Properly speaking, it is the proclamation of a herald, like the cry when a king dies, "The king is dead!"

He then blows the trumpet and proclaims the name and titles of the new king, and cries, Long live the king!"

That is preaching.

He does not argue about it; he simply proclaims that something has happened.

But Teaching is different, and of far more importance.

The teacher's duty is to instruct the ignorant, and to enlighten those who are in darkness; to remove from their mind ignorance about God and His Ways.

A Teacher Should Be an Educator as Well as an Instructor.

It is not only to instruct them, but to draw out of them.

Teaching has two sides—one is instructing, or putting in, the other is educating, that is drawing out.

As in starting a pump, you have to put in before you can draw out.

God first instructs; that is, He puts something into you, and then He educates and draws it out.

This instruction and educating process is going on all the time; that constitutes teaching.

A teacher should not only be an instructor, but an

educator—one that not only puts something in, but draws something out.

The first thing to consider is what Jesus taught; because, if I am to teach you effectually today, I must teach as Jesus taught.

If you are to be blessed, you must believe what Jesus taught; you must do as Jesus tells you; you must get the Teaching and the Preaching.

If you do that, you will get the Salvation and the Healing.

I will tell you some of the plain, simple things that some of you think you know, and which you do not know.

The trouble with a vast number of people is that they think they know things that they do not know. I find that more and more every day I live.

One May Talk Like an Angel and Be an Incarnate Devil.

Vast numbers of people think that because they can talk about a thing they know it.

You may be able to talk religion like an angel, and sing it like a seraph, and yet be an incarnate devil.

It is not a matter of your being able to talk, it is a matter of your really having.

See whether you really do know.

The first think that Jesus said He came to do, was to take away the Sin of the world. That is what John the Baptist said He came to do, when he exclaimed, "Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world."

The first thing that the Lord has to do, is to take away something that is in you.

He has to take away forever the Sin of the Heart that has defiled you, in Spirit, Soul and Body.

That Sin has made you sick.

There is no use concealing the fact that sin is at the bottom of all sickness.

Either you sinned, or you parents sinned, or Adam and Eve sinned.

It may be that somebody sinned against you, and the consequence is that you now suffer; but you must remember that, in one form or another, sin is the cause of your disease.

One Must Accept the Authoritative Teaching of the Christ.

That is what Jesus taught.

He taught that Satan and Sin were at the root of all human misery.

Somebody may say, "I do not believe that there is a Satan."

Then go home!

Get out of this meeting quickly, because I will not bother myself about you.

You are not disbelieving my word, but the word of our Lord Jesus, the Christ.

He said there was a Devil—a great, big Devil who is at the head of all the devils.

When in the days of his early ministry, people sinned, and lied, and said they belonged to Abraham, Jesus answered, No! "Ye are of your father the Devil. And the lusts of your father it is your will to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and stood not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar, and the father thereof."

If you differ with the Lord Jesus, the Christ, I can teach you nothing, because I can teach you only what the Lord Jesus, the Christ, taught.

Satan The Father and Sin the Mother of All Disease.

If you imagine that I have something to teach other than that which Jesus, the Christ, taught, you have come to the wrong place and the wrong man.

I have to teach you simply what my Master taught—nothing else.

You had better believe what He believes.

You had better believe what He taught.

You had better think as He thought.

He said that He came to take away sin; or, to put it in another form, "The Son of God" was "manifested that He might destroy the works of the Devil."

That is putting it plainly.

The first work of the Devil is Sin, and the next is Sickness, because Sin is like a mother—the female counterpart as it were, of the Devil.

When Satan begets disease he begets in the womb of in Sin.

Mother Sin and Father Satan are the source of all human misery.

There never yet was a sickness; there never yet was a

disease; there never yet was a misery, that cursed humanity that was not the offspring of Satan and Sin.

That is the teaching of the Lord.

God's Hatred of Sin, Disease, and Death.

He taught, therefore, that He came into this world to take away Sin, and to destroy the Works of the Devil, which came through Sin; namely, Disease, and Death, and All the Powers of Hell.

God hates Death as He hates Disease, as He hates Sin.

"Him that hath the power of Death that is the Devil"

"The Wages of Sin is Death" and death is so hateful to God that one day Death and Hell shall be cast into the lake of fire.

If we are to believe Christ's teaching, we must believe in His Power to eradicate sin, and not only to take away sin, but to take away Sickness, a consequence of sin. If the Christ came only to take away the cause, and not the consequence, it would be an illogical act.

It was impossible for the Christ to make an atonement for sin without making an atonement for sickness.

He must needs take away sickness as well as sin.

It is impossible for him to be other than the destroyer of Death.

The Absolute Certainty of the Christ's Atonement.

That is the point upon which the churches have gone to the Devil, and become apostate.

I want you to look up Isaiah, 53:4.

What is the first Word?

AUDIENCE—"Surely."

GENERAL OVERSEER—"perhaps?"

AUDIENCE—"Surely."

GENERAL OVERSEER—"There is a good deal in getting a word into one's mind

It is not "perhaps;" it is "Surely"—"*Surely!*"

Now what does it say?

AUDIENCE—"Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows."

GENERAL OVERSEER—"Have some you in your marginal Bibles; Have you a mark against the word "griefs" there? What does it read in the margin? Read it.

AUDIENCE—"Sicknesses."

GENERAL OVERSEER—"That is the proper translation.

"Surely He hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows."

AUDIENCE—"We did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted."

Some Peopel Persist in Walking in a Circle Instead of Going Ahead.

GENERAL OVERSEER—"Was he "stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted?"

AUDIENCE—"No."

GENERAL OVERSEER—"It is "We did *esteem* Him smitten of God, and afflicted."

"But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are Healed."

That is the Word of God—That Healing came through the wounds of Jesus; that He died not only for our sins, but for our sicknesses.

Do you believe that?

If you do not, there is no use talking to you further.

You will never get any further, if you stop there.

You will be like the man with a wooden leg. He got it into a hole, and walked around the hole all night; he never got any farther.

He was drunk.

Many people are drunk—stupidly drunk, as regards spiritual things.

Hey say, " I do not see. I will not see. I believe in getting my wooden leg into a hole and walking around it all the time. Here my father stood; here I stand. I do not believe in Salvation and Healing; I believe in Salvation only. I am a man that has one natural leg, and one wooden leg. I do not believe in two oars; I believe in one oar."

Only an Out-and-out Christian is acceptable to God.

When a man pulls on one oar only, he goes around in the same place.

I am telling you how to get the boat along.

Salvation and Healing go together.

Pull on both oars at the same time.

Do not pull on one at one time, and another at another time.

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CHRIST, THE UNCHANGEABLE HEALER.

Believe in the Christ all around.

Isaiah says, "With His stripes we are Healed."

Now, the question is, Do you believe it?

Have you come with medicine in your pockets?

I saw one man putting a lozenge into his mouth, and wondered if there was any opium in it; and I saw a woman sneak into her reticule and take out something, and I wondered what she had in her mouth.

Perhaps some of you have come to the Divine Healing Meeting with a few pills in your pockets.

The Lord have mercy upon you.

I do not know, but I want to say if you believe the Word of God, you will live it.

You have to live it out-and-out, or not at all.

You cannot fool with doctors and drugs and trust God at the same time.

The Moral Depravity of the Medical Profession.

"Oh, but doesn't God send us the doctors, and doesn't God send us the drugs?" you may say.

Well, if He sent the doctors, He sent a mixed multitude, didn't He? Homeopaths, Allptaths, Isopaths, Osteopaths, Psychopaths, Hydropaths.

My God! How many "paths" of that kind there are that lead to the grave!

If God Almighty sent us doctors, He would be likely to send us doctors all saying the same thing

No two schools of medicine say the same thing.

No two members of any on school of medicine say the same thing.

God Almighty never sent such a set of men into this world.

Many of them are unmitigated scoundrels.

Nobody knows, better than the doctors themselves, that I speak the truth when I say that there is not a worse class of men on God Almighty's earth today, taking them as a whole.

I was educated among them, and I know what I am talking about.

Divine Healing the Death-Knell of Medical Practice.

In the University of Edinburgh, where I was a student, it was a horror to meet these young men a short time after they had been in the dissecting-room and plunged their knives into the scarcely dead bodies of

people, while the flesh was yet warm.

It was horrible to see the depravity; to see the deterioration of character of young men who spent hours in the dissecting-room.

They steadily lost all feeling; and they became drunken dogs, oftentimes drinking to steady their nerves.

A medical society of the State of New York declares that twenty-one percent. of all the practicing doctors in this country today are not only users of alcohol and morphine, but that they are victims of its use.

They are drunkards; they are opium fiends.

If twenty-one percent use it to excess, what about the other seventy-nine percent

They are a dissolute and brutal body of men.

I know them, and they know me.

In every country of the world they howl when they hear of Divine Healing; because they know that it is the death-knell of medical practice everywhere.

God Never Made Medicinal Poisons.

Moreover they know that the day for fooling the women with local treatments and horrible operation has gone

My good Lord, how women and men have to suffer over all the world, through these accursed things!

No! God never sent us doctor, and God never sent us drugs to be put into our stomachs.

"Oh, God made those poisons." some say.

No, He did not.

God made minerals, but man has turned them into liquid poisons.

The former have their place in nature, but they were never intended for human stomachs.

God has said, in the Bible, "Ye are all physician, of no value," and "In vain dost thou use many medicines," and you know that is true.

Jesus, the Christ, came to Save and to Heal, but He never yet healed any one who did not give Him the heart.

Unless you will yield your heart to Him, my brother and my sister, you cannot be saved; and unless you repent, you cannot be Healed, for Salvation must precede Healing.

I do not know of a single case in which God ever healed anyone who was opposed to or alienated from Him.

Humility of Heart Essential to Salvation and Healing.

Humility of heart is essential, no matter how ignorant one may be of the personality of the Christ.

One must needs be a humble worshiper of God.

The man born blind did not know that Jesus was the Son of God; but he had known God, and he worshiped God, and would not curse Jesus.

When Jesus said to him, after he receive his sight, "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?" he said, "Who is He, Lord, that I might believe on Him?"

And when Jesus answered, "He it is that speaketh with thee," he said, "Lord, I believe!"

He had no difficulty in believing.

He was ready to believe that the Man whom God had used to open his eyes was not a sinner, and that He would never lie to him. And so, when He told him that He was the Son of God, he believed Him.

So with the centurion.

He did not know about Jesus, but he knew about God; and God sent the Apostle Peter to him, and when he preached Jesus, he received Him, thus it always has been.

If there have been, here and there, some that have been blessed who did not know Jesus, they were really lovers and worshipers of God and were ready at once to receive Jesus as He was revealed to them.

All God's Commandments are Reasonable and Right.

God will not ask of you, my brother or my sister, more than is reasonable or right.

He will never ask of us more than He has a right to ask of us.

But He has a right to ask of you today whether you will surrender your heart; whether you will repent of your sin, whether you will quit your sin, whether you will confess your sin to those whom you have wronged; whether you will make restitution for wrongs.

If you cover your sins, you will not prosper.

"He that covereth his transgressions' it is written, "Shall not prosper but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall obtain mercy."

If you come and forsake your sin, you will obtain mercy but there will be no mercy—not an atom—so long as you keep your sin concealed.

You have to confess or be damned.

If I were you, I would not be damned when I might be saved.

I would not be sick when I might be well.

I would not be weak when I might be strong.

I would not be in the shadow of God's anger, in the fierceness of His wrath, when I might live in the sunshine of His pleasure.

Why should you?

Why be such a fool as to hold on to your sin, and cover it up, and be sick, and die a sinner?

I want you, first of all, to get Salvation.

I am very little concerned about your Healing as a first thing because if you get a real salvation, there can be no question, beloved friends, about your Healing.

You will get the Healing, if you keep on seeking it.

Get the real Salvation first, and may God bless you.

Every one in this meeting who is determined, by the grace of God, to have a real salvation for Spirit, Soul and Body, and to ask God for it, stand and tell God so. [*Apparently all rose.*]

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION.

My God and Father, in Jesus' Name I come to Thee. For Jesus' sake have mercy upon me, "For Jesus' sake take away my sin; give me a true repentance, that I may hate sin, and determine to do right, to put away sin; to confess to those whom I have wronged; to bring the hidden thing to light; and, no matter what it costs, to put the wrong thing right. For Jesus' sake, have mercy on me. Cleanse me perfectly. Cleanse me through the blood shed for me, by the power of the Holy Spirit given to me. Father, help me. And now help me to bring my body to Thee. Cleanse my defiled blood. Cleanse the diseased body. Give me power to hold on, no matter how long it takes, until I get to the place where I trust Thee perfectly; where I trust Thee always. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

That is a very glorious sight—a sight I often see; but I always rejoice in it.

While you are still standing, I ask you, my brothers sisters, do you mean that prayer?

AUDIENCE—"Yes."

GENERAL OVERSEER—Are you really going to live it?

AUDIENCE—"Yes."

GENERAL OVERSEER—May God bless you!

The General Overseer then pronounced the

BENEDICTION

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CHRIST, THE UNCHANGEABLE HEALER.

Beloved, abstain from every form of evil. And may the very God of Peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved entire, without blame unto the coming of our Lord Jesus, the Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus, the Christ, the love of God our Father, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Guide, one Eternal God, abide in you, bless you, and keep you and all the Israel of God everywhere forever. Amen.

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