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Switching On Your Faith

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1. Healing Is a Contract

- a. Healing is a legal right of our redemption, but it is also part of our contract, or covenant, with God.
- b. The Greek word for “covenant” is *diatheke*, which means disposition, contract, covenant or testament.
- c. In the Bible we have two testaments, covenants, or contracts. There is an old contract and a new contract.
- d. Hebrews 8:6 – *But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.*
- e. Natural contracts can have addendums or clauses put in them to cause them to have better terms. If this is done, no one would want to go back to the old contract when the new contract is a better one!
- f. The New Covenant is based on better promises than the Old Covenant. We need to make sure we are relating to God through the new contract that Jesus made with us, rather than the old.

2. God Always Keeps His Word

- a. Unfortunately, when people give their word, they may not always keep it. However, God *always* keeps His Word!
- b. Healing is part of the New Covenant. It is part of the contract signed by the blood of Jesus.
- c. Jeremiah 33:19-21 – ¹⁹ *And the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying,* ²⁰ *“Thus says the Lord: ‘If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that there will not be day and night in their season,’ ²¹ then My covenant may also be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and with the Levites, the priests, My ministers.*
- d. God is saying, “The covenants I make with men are just as certain as the covenant I have with night and day.” Notice, the sun has never failed to rise and set! You know that as sure as the rising and setting sun, the Word of God will never fail!
- e. If we have been sick for a long time, we can begin to think God’s promises aren’t reliable because we’re relating to God the way we do with people.
- f. Numbers 23:19 – ¹⁹ *God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good? ²⁰ Behold, I have received a command to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.*
- g. When you became born again, you entered covenant relationship with God, which is based on Jesus’ performance, not ours. It is sealed by the blood of Jesus!

3. You Must Receive

- a. Since God blessed you, there is no power in hell that can stop the blessing of God coming to pass in your life, unless you allow it by not believing God's Word.
- b. You have the power to receive the healing provided by Jesus or not. If you don't believe, it's like not going down to the courthouse to receive your goods after they've been awarded to you by the courts.
- c. God pursues His promises to you! He is not like other people in our lives who may have let us down.
- d. He is not a man that He should lie! When we start to understand how good, and true, and faithful God's Word is, we won't be moved away from those promises by circumstances that tell us the opposite.
- e. Symptoms, aches, pains, the doctor's report, the long-term illness: those things all come to challenge the integrity of the healing covenant.
- f. But when we settle the Word in our hearts, that these promises are for us, we are responding by saying, "I'm having what You said I can have!"

4. God's Word Upholds All

- a. Hebrews 1:3 (emphasis added) – *Who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, **and upholding all things by the word of His power**, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.*
- b. All things are held up by the Word of God, and that includes you!
- c. When we feel like we can't go on, we need to be upheld by the Word of God.
- d. The power of God's Word is the power of His covenant with us.
- e. We can be preserved in our lives by the Word of God.
- f. Psalm 107:20 – *He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.*
- g. Hebrews 7:22 – *By so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant.*
- h. Jesus ensures the better covenant; He upholds us!

5. Healing Is Our Inheritance

- a. Jesus wrote His last will and testament. When He died, He left healing as part of your inheritance.
- b. In the natural, you wouldn't disregard an inheritance—you would claim it!
- c. Ephesians 1:11 – *In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will.*
- d. God planned for you to have access to healing as part of your inheritance.

- e. Ephesians 1:5 – *Having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.*
- f. When you became born again, you became part of the family of God, and God planned for you to inherit His promises.
- g. Ephesians 1:13-14 – ¹³ *In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.*
- h. The good news of your salvation—this is the Gospel that belongs to YOU.
- i. The Greek word for “salvation” is *soteria*, which doesn’t just mean your ticket to Heaven. It means health, deliverance, safety and salvation.
- j. Health and wholeness are part of your salvation package! It is a covenant right that belongs to you.

6. Old Promises Belong to You

- a. Galatians 3:13-14 – ¹³ *Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”), ¹⁴ that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.*
- b. All of the blessings that God promised Abraham apply to us today as well.
- c. This is a picture of how faithful God is to keep His Word. Promises that God made to Abraham thousands of years ago still stand today!
- d. When He makes a promise, you can take it to the bank!
- e. Genesis 17:2-3 – ² *And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly.” ³ Then Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying: ⁴ “As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations.*
- f. Abram was married to Sarai, who was barren. There was a number of years that passed between when God gave the promise and when the promise came to pass. Sometimes we can become discouraged if a promise doesn’t come as quickly as we expect.
- g. Genesis 17:5 – *No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations.*
- h. God actually changed Abram’s name to mean “God with Abram.”
- i. Genesis 17:6-7 (emphasis added) – ⁶ *I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for **an everlasting covenant**, to be God to you and your descendants after you.*
- j. God made an **everlasting covenant** with Abraham, and through faith, you can receive those promises (Galatians 3:14).

7. **Do Not Be Discouraged**

- a. When you are dealing with a long-term illness, it is easy to become disappointed in your heart.
- b. Don't quit! You have a covenant with the living God who never breaks His promises!
- c. The reason David was so bold to fight Goliath is because he knew and understood the power of the covenant that he was part of. He knew that God was not a man that He should lie, so he had boldness in the face of that giant.
- d. Because of the covenant power that you have with Him, world-changing power now resides in you!
- e. Let the surety of the covenant you have with God through faith, His goodness, and that He never fails His promises, get cemented on the inside of you!

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