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For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16 KJV)





PRAYER THAT GUARANTEES HEALING

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An OSL member writes: “On the website it says: Christian healing is accomplished through faith in Christ. And I know that God is capable of doing so. One could construe, however, that those who remain ill or die did not have enough faith. Could you help me clear this up?” The writer has identified the two key ideas, which must be understood correctly for the question to be answered properly – God’s power and our faith in it. Successful healing prayer is based on faith in God’s promises and in his power to accomplish what he promises. These are implied in the Lord’s Prayer and faith in them guarantees healing.

The writer’s question is hardly a new one. The Lord’s Prayer was Jesus’ answer, when the disciples asked him how to pray. His answer came with a warning: “Do not pray as the pagans do. They think that they will be heard because of their many words.” Rambling petitions, as we all know, are ineffective. Their purpose is self-serving. It is to get God to give us what we think that he should want to give us in the first place. The pagan (and uninformed Christian) knows what he or she wants and petitions God to persuade him to change his mind. The Lord’s Prayer is God’s petition to us to persuade us to change our minds.

The writer correctly states that God is capable (has the power) to heal everybody. However, this is true only hypothetically, since, although he indeed did have the power to create unfree beings, once he chose to create human beings with real (although only autonomous) power, he did, in a real sense, lose total power. Just as he is not able to make a square circle or a stone too heavy for himself to lift, he chooses not to be able to create a human being who is unable to block his will. Rambling pagan prayer is predicated on the premise that God will choose to give us what we think that he should give us, if we only try hard enough. (The prayers of the importunate widow only seem to be an exception. She engages in persistent prayer for God to do what he promises and her faith is made stronger by it.) The Lord’s Prayer is predicated on the premise that it is our sin, which blocks God’s grace.

The Lord’s Prayer is structured in three parts. The first part asks us to pray for God’s Kingdom of justice to come and for the “bread” of daily grace. Although this prayer is phrased as a petition, it is wholly unlike a pagan petition. This petition is giving God permission to do in our lives what he has promised to do.

The second part builds on the first, promising to remove what blocks the power of God’s healing grace, if we repent and forgive others. It is important, however, that the repentance is sincere and so God is free to test our sincerity. If he does not, then we are quite likely to resurrect the block. On the other hand, if the testing is too severe, then we would fail the test.

The last part builds on the second, returning us to the first. Once we surrender our wills to God and agree to accept what he has promised us, his grace restores life to our diseased souls and we can end our prayer on a note of confidence: God’s Kingdom has been built by our prayer, just a little more.

For a number of years, I have used with good success a form of healing prayer, based on the Lord’s Prayer, sandwiched between a preamble and postamble, as follows.

Preamble. A person seeking prayer has an issue to bring before God. The preamble consists of a recollection of the facts and events surrounding the issue, devoid of wishes, wants and prejudices.

The Lord’s Prayer: Part 1. How does the person see God? God promises light for the mind, love for the soul and a place in a Kingdom of light and love. Do they know this?

The Lord's Prayer: Part 2. How does God see the person? Are they trying to make the world a better place, live the Christian life, play their part in building the Kingdom of God and are they trying to do the will of God? If not, what are the blocks to their healing? This part is discernment and is crucial for effective healing prayer.

The Lord's Prayer: Part 3. Throughout the discernment process, the grace of healing light has been bringing clarity to the person's mind and peace to their soul. Discernment and healing happen together and are not two separate stages. Part 3 concludes with the realization that the presenting issue has been resolved. The person knows God's light and love and his assurance of their place in his Kingdom.

Postamble. This is an opportunity to praise God and to thank him; and also to receive a word charism of blessing.

In conclusion, in the Lord's Prayer, there is an affirmation of who God is, who we are, and what God promises. Faith is trust in those promises; not trust in what we think that he should want to give us. When we pray according to God's promises then healing is guaranteed!

A footnote. Praying for healing is made even more effective when we know how God's grace acts in the human soul. This depends on an understanding of Christian psychology and will be the subject of the next article.

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I see the face of Jesus,
I behold His hands and feet;
He says, "Come closer dear one,
If you want to be complete.

I was pierced for you my child,
Because I love you very much;
Place your hands upon the nail prints
And receive my healing touch."

Author Unknown

Psalm 22:16

They pierced my hands and my feet.

John 20:27

Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side."

Luke 24:39-40

"Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have."

When He had said this, He showed them His hands and his feet.

Isaiah 53:5

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.



The Miracle of Life

By Ann Mainse

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In the decade of the 60's little was known about the secret life of the unborn child. Once conception had occurred, the child lived in its own separate and distinct world – a place where doctors were just as in the dark as the child in the womb. There were the basics, and little more. Gestation takes 40 weeks. The first few weeks are the most critical for the developing baby. And if anything goes wrong in those initial weeks, the life of the baby is in serious jeopardy. This is the place where a young mother named Betty found herself only 18 weeks into her pregnancy.

Premature Rupture of Membranes, or PROM, is the medical term that now describes what she had just suffered. All Betty knew was that one minute she was relishing the slight movement of life inside of her, and the next she was crying at a stab of pain and sitting in a puddle of fluid. “I don’t want to lose the baby!” she cried and prayed, as her husband drove her to the hospital. But the grim looks of the doctors told her otherwise. “Aside from resealing the sac, there’s nothing we can do,” they told her. “If the leaking starts again, we’re at a loss.” Remember, this was the 1960's, long before amniocentesis and ultrasounds. And, unfortunately, the leaking did start again. More severe and, this time, beyond repair.

“If you lie flat on your back without moving a muscle, the baby may live for a while,” the doctors said. At 18 weeks gestation, they knew there was no hope. But as the amniotic fluid drained from her body, Betty connected to the Originator of hope – and His name was Jesus. Lying flat on her back and holding her Bible above her head, she spent hours praying and soaking in God’s Word. And the doctors watched in amazement as their ‘little while’ extended far beyond what any of them expected. For four solid months Betty laid in that hospital bed, flat on her back, changing position only slightly for the benefit of the baby. And at eight months gestation, Betty delivered a normal, healthy six and a half pound baby.

When the doctors had lost all hope, God hand-delivered it in the form of His Word. And no matter what we’re going through, we possess that same hope. Just as Jesus said Himself, in the 18th chapter of the book of Luke:

What is impossible from a human perspective is possible with God.
Luke 18:27 (NLT)

Do you know the God of the ‘impossible’ – the same God that gave a devastated Mother hope when no one else would? You might say, “Yeah, how do you really know that story is true? How do you know God still does miracles today?” Well, I can tell you for a fact that it’s true ... because I am that baby.

In January 2001, Ann was asked to join the Crossroads flagship program, [100 Huntley Street](#), to host a [daily devotional](#) segment entitled "Sincerely Yours" ... a two-year journey through the New Testament. With butterflies the size of buzzards, Ann answered the call. Crossroads has published many of those devotionals in a book series entitled "Sincerely Yours." After that, it was a natural progression for Ann and her husband Ron to begin hosting the daily 100 Huntley Street program, which they did from January 2005 through April 2009. For complete bio and link to TV show information please visit <http://www2.crossroads.ca/fullcircle/about-bio?name=ann>

The Power and the Resurrection

The Rev. Dr. Jack Sheffield

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“And with great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and abundant grace was upon them all.” Acts 4:33

Recently, I have been hearing all kinds of reports about people being raised from the dead. It is a sign of the times we live in; I am convinced of this. We have heard these stories from Africa and other places overseas, but rarely here in North America. But things are changing. We should not be surprised by this, for raising the dead is listed in **Matthew 10:8** among the other christs like cleansing the lepers, casting out demons, and, of course, healing the sick. Doesn't it make sense that in a time of such strife, tension, and darkness in the world, God would pour out His finest wine upon an end-time bridal people.

Let me give you just a few examples. At St. Paul's in Darien, Connecticut, we had a three and one-half hour Eucharist. God's power fell in the midst of some very amazing worship, and people came forth to receive a new infilling of the Holy Spirit. They were strewn all over the floor, as fire came down from heaven. As the service was winding down, suddenly, the priest took off running around the sanctuary. Then the Senior Warden took off running, as well as the priest's grandson. The grandson suffered greatly from asthma. We found out that the Lord spoke to this young man saying, "Do not take your medicine this morning; I am going to heal you." While he was running laps for Jesus, he was totally healed of the asthma. Praise God! I questioned this practice, but the Lord showed me Elijah, and how he was hit with the power of God and he took off and outran the chariots of the king Ahab.

Now, if that were not enough, the priest asked my how they were going to follow a three and one-half hour Eucharist? (A miracle enough) The next Sunday morning, during the sermon, a woman died and fell over in the pew. (My priest friend said to me, "My sermon was not *that* bad!) A nurse tried CPR, but she could not get a pulse back. This went on for over twenty minutes, and as the ambulance was driving up to the church, the dead woman, sat up and asked if the service was over. Well, let me tell you! The service just began. You talk about praises, shouts of "glory", and hallelujahs everywhere! How is *that* for follow-up?

Dr. Chauncey Crandall, IV is a notable cardiovascular surgeon from West Palm Beach, Florida. He spoke at a banquet we had for our Christ Healing Center in San Antonio last September. While walking out of the hospital one day, Chauncey was told by the Lord to go back into the surgical room and use the defibrillator paddles one more time on a man who had been dead for forty minutes. The man's heart was completely eaten up with disease. His hands and feet were black with necrosis. The nurse preparing him for the embalming procedure thought the doctor had lost his mind. She objected greatly, yet Chauncey hit him one more time with the electric jolt. Suddenly, there was this beautifully perfect heartbeat on the oscilloscope. The man opened his eyes, and the nurse almost jumped out the window! Not only was he raised from the dead, but he now has the heart of a twenty year old. The black hands and feet were very numb for almost a year. But he is a new man. By the way, he was converted to Christianity. He did *not* want to stay in the place he was going after death. Can you blame him?

These are exciting times for the church of Jesus Christ. The healing ministry is taking on new dimensions of power and glory! The OSL is coming alive again, in fact, I believe we are receiving the same power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead, and it is quickening the Body of Christ which is, in part, the OSL. No wonder St. Paul said, "Oh that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection. Happy Easter all!

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Healing Grace

By Rita O'Rourke

It was a difficult time, probably one of the most difficult times of my life. I woke up one June morning around 6:00 am and found I was hemorrhaging. I was alone!

My husband, John, who worked with the CPR was away as he travelled a lot. My two small sons, Jeff and Ian were at home while my daughter Tamah was visiting in Ottawa with her Aunt Elaine and Uncle Bob. Not only was I alone, meaning no other adult, but I didn't seem to have the presence of mind to call anyone. I just thought the hemorrhaging would stop. In those days, I was always "fine". One of my wonderful neighbours, Sylvia Claridge came in, called up to me as I remained in bed upstairs, and told me she was going to the Plaza in Markham, and wondered if I needed anything. I said, "No, I was fine." On her return she just did not call from downstairs, she came up to my bedroom; took one look at me, as I was white as a sheet and she called 911.

The ambulance finally arrived but not before going to my neighbour's house which was a few houses down the street. My neighbour, Theresa, was working in her garden; she did not have much of a tan and must have looked rather pale, as they asked her if she was sure she didn't require their help. "No," was her reply! Eventually, the ambulance people found me mid afternoon and took me on one of the most uncomfortable rides of my life. I was quickly admitted to the Scarborough General Hospital in Ontario. After the Dr. examined me, he seemed quite annoyed. He asked me about being pregnant and I said "no, I wasn't." At least I didn't think I was as I was having regular, monthly periods. He said that I had had a miscarriage as my cervix was open. By his tone I felt he thought I purposely aborted my almost four month pregnancy. What a shock! I would NEVER have an abortion. I believe a baby's life starts at conception and God always finishes what HE starts.

The night before I lost my baby, I was taking diving lessons at the Markham Pool and wondered if this had anything to do with losing my baby. One wonders a lot of things at a time like that.

While I was in the Hospital I was blessed to have a roommate who was a nursing supervisor. She had a stream of nurses visiting her. They all had to pass my bed. One day, this very popular supervisor told me how white I looked – I lost a lot of blood.

Eventually, when I did go home, I saw my GP and again, I was not consoled in any way; more of an irritation if anything when I went to talk with him.

Two days before I lost my baby, this same Dr. gave me results of some test I had earlier and was told I was not pregnant. Obviously, I had tests as I knew I was not feeling like myself, probably thought I was overtired after teaching all year.

After all of this was over, it left me with a lot of fear. It took a long time to get rid of that. One of the things that I did which helped me emotionally was to contact the surgeon who performed the D&C. He kindly told me it was a tubal pregnancy. I didn't understand much of this but realized this baby was not in the uterus and sooner or later would have miscarried.

It was years later before I received my healing from this loss. At this time we were living in Kirkland, a suburb of Montreal and it was there that I joined the Order of St. Luc. A few years later there was an OSL Conference in Brunswick, Maine, USA which I drove to with Dr. Maud Chan and my friend Joanne. Later in the day upon arrival, actually it was closer to midnight when Joanne and I were in the hall where Mary Lou Henninger and Howard Harvey were still lingering. Joanne went to speak to Howard, as he was from the OSL Chapter in Lachine, Quebec and I started talking to Mary Lou. She reminded me of my big sister Mabel who was a nurse. Only the Lord could have instigated our conversation and would you believe it, it all came out about me losing the baby. Mary Lou prayed for me right there in this hall and when she did it was like an iron ball that lifted off my chest and went straight upward. I felt it go! Mary Lou then asked me if my baby was a boy or a girl, and I said, I didn't know. She said, "yes, you do." As I stopped to listen it came to me that it was a little boy. She then said to name him. I named him Hugh Denis. I thought of naming him Hugh James after my father-in-law but changed that to Denis after my brother-in-law, my husband's Godson.

Since then, I have prayed for several women. Once, I prayed for a young woman who was having a difficult time but didn't seem to know the root of her problem. As I prayed for her, I saw two little booties on top of a garbage heap. After seeing this, I asked her if she ever had a miscarriage or abortion. Her reply was, "yes." I then asked her to name the child and after doing so we committed her baby to the lord and a great healing took place, her burden was gone.

After my time with Mary Lou, Joanne and I went back to the residence to get some sleep. Now this is what really caught my attention. At one o'clock in the morning, Joanne suddenly asked me, "Rita, how many children do you have?" I said "three," then quickly I said "four, I have a son in heaven." I asked the Lord about Hugh Denis' looks one day and I felt he showed me a picture of a baby that resembled my older son, Jeff.

There is no doubt in my mind that when I go to be with Jesus that a beautiful young man will be the first to greet me! I can hardly wait!

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The Glass Slipper

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Scripture references: 1 Corinthians 15:57-58; Colossians 2:6-10; 1 John 5:1-5

In the story of Cinderella we have an account of a person who lived in a situation that prevented her from becoming the person she was meant to be. After the death of her mother, her father remarried a woman with two daughters. Everything was fine until Cinderella's father died and then her step family showed their true colors and Cinderella was treated as a slave.

One day the king of the country invited all the eligible young ladies of the realm to a great ball in order for his son, the prince, to find a suitable bride. Cinderella's step mother and sisters did everything within their power to prevent Cinderella from attending the ball, but due to the intervention of a fairy godmother, Cinderella not only attended the ball, but became the constant companion of the young and handsome prince. Everything was beautiful and the way it should be until the clock struck 12. At that moment everything returned to its original state for the happy Cinderella. The only thing that remained was one of the little glass slippers that had fallen off Cinderella's foot in her hurried attempt to get home before the clock finished tolling the hour.

Cinderella's life seemed complete and beautiful while at the ball until the clock struck 12, at which time her world fell down around her. The same thing can happen to us as we grow in Christ. Things can seem beautiful and perfect until for us the clock strikes 12 and everything seems to fall apart. Many Christians have lost faith at this point, and have never tried to rebuild. God allows faith to be destroyed and he allows disappointments in order to build in us a stronger faith. When things go wrong and disappointments occur we can choose to allow God to walk with us through our pain or we can choose to abandon all hope and walk away. When this happens to you, I encourage you to hold fast to the Easter victory because God will always make sure that there is a glass slipper left in a place where it can be found, and it will be the key to the rebuilding of your faith which will become much stronger and healthier than the faith that let you down. If your life is like that now, look around you and find the glass slipper that God has placed within your grasp because that will be the key for you to use to put it all back together again.

The slipper was the only clue that the prince had to enable him to find his future bride. The king decreed that the person whose foot could fit the slipper would marry the prince. After some searching, Cinderella tried on the slipper and of course it fit perfectly. The prince and Cinderella married, and as all fairy tales end, lived happily ever after.

The glass slipper in our story became the key to the story's completion. It was the matching of the foot to the slipper that was the event which determined the direction of the outcome to the story, i.e., whether the outcome would be victorious and happy or one of defeat and despair. It was the glass slipper that restored Cinderella from her status of slave with no hope or future, rights or privileges, to her rightful position which she was entitled to have as the princess of the realm.

Easter people by definition are not imprisoned by hopelessness, discouragement, despair, defeat or failure even though those things happen to all of us at one time or another. Easter is the light of the Christian life and it is the truth of Easter that lifts us up when we are down. It is because of the truth of Easter we can know that when we are in Christ we can do all things because Christ has gone before us and has already conquered evil and death.

By the time that you will be reading this Christians around the world will have celebrated the festival that makes it possible for us to be restored to our rightful position as sons and daughters of the King. During the season of Easter Christians celebrate the victory of Christ's resurrection and all that means for us as the children of God.

We celebrate our restoration from being a slave to sin to being sons and daughters of a king. As Cinderella was adopted through marriage into the king's family, we are adopted through our baptism into the great King's family and through that adoption we obtain all the rights, privileges, hopes and future of that position.

As Easter Christians we are assured that God has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ and although the battle may not be over, we know that it has been won and that there is no battle, no spiritual war, and no force of evil and sickness that can defeat us or ever again rob us of our rightful place as a son or daughter of the King. Paul asks the question: "Who can defeat the world?" The answer: only the person who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. There is nothing in, or of, or beyond the world that can defeat those who are in union with Christ, or, to continue our analogy, who are married to the prince. However, we must not think that as Easter people there will be no more Lents, or no more battles, or no more sickness because life is not like that. The only thing that we can be certain about is the outcome and not the war because Easter proclaims that in Christ the victory is ours.

Easter is in a sense the glass slipper stage of our growth in Christ. Just as the glass slipper was the key to the outcome of Cinderella's future, the resurrection is the key to the outcome of our future. The glass slipper assured Cinderella that she would one day be married to the prince. The resurrection assures us that no matter what battle is being fought, no matter what cross is being borne, and no matter what force is trying to defeat us, and no matter what sickness has attacked us as long as we are "married to the prince" (which is our union with Christ) the victory will be ours because God's promise to us is that Christ Jesus always has the last word over our lives.

God has left us with the greatest of all glass slippers to show us the pathway to life and wholeness. Our glass slipper is the words of the Easter proclamation,

"Alleluia! Christ is risen!" To which we respond with confidence, "He is risen indeed, Alleluia!"

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