

## Healing and Medicine

### **Admonitions about teaching, James 3.1 ff**

**Healing implies** restoring, mending, repairing, rescuing, protecting, sheltering, reintegrating, covering, nourishing, rebuilding, comforting, making whole, curing, fixing, listening, caring, reconciling, rehabilitating, alleviating.

**Need for healing implies** a breach, wound, injury, pain, separation, break, disharmony, malfunction, damage, disease, virulent attack, sickness, bondage, disintegration, incapacity, disability, dehydration, malnourishment, asphyxiation, death.

**Health implies** a state of wellness, wholeness, integrity, harmony, ability, function, prosperity, fullness, freedom, comfort, righteousness, life.

**Healing is a process** involving time, relationships, circumstances.

Works at all levels: cells, tissues, organs and organ systems, individuals

Marriages, families, groups, neighborhoods, communities, societies, world.

Virtually synonymous with process of salvation.

**Medical care** hopes to accelerate this process, clear away elements that retard it.

Discovering, sharing, and applying truth, reality, wisdom.

Understand causes, eliminate negative influences, put in proper order.

Restore function, nourishment, oxygen, fluids.

Recruit cooperation and participation in process.

Physician/healer needs a vision of wholeness to work toward.

### **Selected Scripture References:**

*1 Corinthians 13.13.* Faith, hope, love abide.

*Jeremiah 30.* Correction, chastisement, salvation, restoration, healing.

*Isaiah 53.4-6.* By His stripes we are healed.

*Proverbs 3.8, 16.24.* Repentance and comfort lead to healing.

*Ezekiel 47.12, Revelation 22.1-2.* Tree of life with leaves for healing of the nations.

*1 Corinthians 12.9-10.* Gifts of healing, working of miracles.

*James 5.14-20.* Praying for the sick.