BASIC BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR HEALING

I. THE MIND OF CHRIST TOWARDS SICKNESS AND THE SICK

- Sickness is the devil’s work and Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil. (Acts 10:38, 1 Jn. 3:8)

- Healing is always God’s will. God never causes illness or delays healing to teach us a lesson; it is never His will for us to be sick. (The gospels, James 5:13-16)

- God is an equal opportunity healer and is never the cause of a delay of healing. Today is the day and NOW is the time of salvation. (2 Cor. 6:2)

- Healing for every illness has already been provided in our salvation by the cross of Christ. (Is. 53:4-5)

- God’s desire is to heal all of our diseases just as He forgives all of our sins. Healing is as much a benefit of the New Covenant as forgiveness. (Psalm 103:3, Is. 53:4-5, 1 Pet. 2:24)

- Just as there is no one so bad God will not forgive, there is no one who is so bad that God will not heal.

- God will heal anyone through any believer, because it is not about us, but about His goodness.

II. THE AUTHORITY TO HEAL

- Jesus healed them all, regardless of their level of faith, if they wanted to be healed.

- We are commanded to heal all of the sick; we do not need a special “leading or unction” to obey God’s command to “heal the sick”.

- God’s will is for us to expect to receive divine healing every time. Healing is our right, purchased for us by the stripes delivered to the back of Jesus Christ.

- Every believer is already an “heir” of all the authority needed for healing. We are sons of God.

- God is willing to minister healing and creative miracles through any believer.

- All believers can minister healing effectively; some have developed specialized gifts of healing.

- Every believer is God’s child, man’s servant and the devil’s master.

- We have authority to cast out even the devils that people think they want to keep. (Acts 16:16-18)
III. MINISTER HEALING WITH RESULTS

• In Jesus’ Name, lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

• The main hindrance to receiving healing is believing that there are hindrances to healing.

• Jesus never asked Father God to heal anyone, He commanded healing and deliverance.

• Jesus healed thousands at a time without requiring them to repent or believe first. New Testament believers followed this pattern. (Acts 3:2-8)

• The Authority of Jesus Christ, not great faith, is the key to receiving divine healing from disease. (Acts 3:12-16)

• Jesus was never prevented from healing due to the sins of the sick person or the sins of their ancestors.

• Jesus taught the disciples to command spirits of infirmity to leave rather than to intercede. (Matt. 10:8)

• We command the healing power of God with impartiality and it flows every time. (Matt. 10:8)

• The disciples did not “intercede” for healing; they ministered healing through command, touch or both. (Acts)

• Our traditions about healing have hindered us from demonstrating the power of God.

• Unconfessed sins may make people sick but they do not keep them from being healed. (James 5:13-16)

• We are not to judge who is confessed up, in faith and ready to be healed. We are deliverers, not judges. (Matt. 10:8)

• Healing sometimes takes time to manifest, while miracles are usually instant. So exercise the authority of God’s word by faith for healing until you see the results.
IV. THE POWER OF GOD FOR HEALING

- The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is given so that we can minister in the power of God.

- Believers already have 100% of the Holy Spirit — all that we will ever have or need. We need to walk in what we have to become more effective in using what we’ve got.

- We do not wait for a “special leading” to obey God’s command. The Holy Spirit helps us obey. Signs and wonders follow our belief. (Mark 16:17-18)

- Because Christ is in me, I already have all the power and anointing that I will need. (1 Jn.2:27; 4:8)

- God’s anointing abides within me, is always ready to heal and is always on. (1 Jn.2:27; 4:8)

- Christ, in me, is always instantly available to destroy the works of the devil through me. (1 Jn.3:8; 4:8)

- We are to command the power of God without picking and choosing who is worthy.

- We don’t beg God for their healing; we proclaim freedom for the captives or prisoners. God’ Word declares His faithfulness to back our words spoken in authority.

- God never withholds any good thing from me and will heal me every time I ask.

V. EXHORTATIONS TO THOSE WHO ARE HEALED

- Refuse to receive spirits of infirmity or symptoms back again. Command them to leave in the Name of Jesus Christ. Maintain your healing by personally exercising the authority of God’s word.

- Jesus Christ purchased your healing through His suffering is to be ministered freely by believers. Jesus told those He sends, “Freely you received. Freely give.” Anyone attempting to charge you money for healing is not of God.