# Week 4 "The Gift of Healing"

## Preparation:

\* Pray from your heart. Stop and recognize that the Lord is with you. Ask for the grace to come closer to the Holy Spirit and to realize his plan for your life.

- \* Look up the "Focus Verse" in your Bible.
- \* Underline the verse in Red = God
- \* Work to commit the verse to memory.

## Focus Verse Ex 15:26

"for I am the Lord, who heals you."

## Review of Talk:

Healing is

Central to proving that Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior of the world.

Central to the mission of Jesus.

Central to the mission of the Church.

Central to your mission as a believer in the Lord Jesus.

Healing is proof that Jesus is the Messiah (Mt 11:2-6).

The establishment of the Kingdom of God was the central mission of Jesus (Mt 4:17).

Jesus not only proclaimed the Kingdom, come he demonstrated that the Kingdom had come.

**Proclamation** Tell about the Kingdom. Tell the people that the Kingdom of the Enemy, sin, sorrow and suffering is over and the Kingdom of God, grace, comfort and healing have come.

**Demonstration** Show the Kingdom. Show the people that the Kingdom of the Enemy, sin, sorrow and suffering is over and the Kingdom of God, grace, comfort and healing have come. Jesus gave this same mission to the Church (Mt 10:7-8).

#### This is the Gospel:

- \* Jesus gave his life for us He saved us from the Kingdom of Darkness with its sin, sorrow and suffering.
- \* Jesus gave his life to us He transferred us into the Kingdom of God with his life of grace, comfort, and health.

Signs and wonders should accompany you as a believer in Jesus (Mk 16:15-18).

#### Gifts of Healing (1 Cor 12:9):

- 1. Healing of body. This is probably the most common gift of healing that we think about.
- 2. Healing of the soul. This is healing for wounds of the heart, healing of memories from events that have hurt us in life.
- 3. Healing of the spirit. This is commonly referred to as deliverance ministry. This is a setting free of bondages from sin or generational curses.

What is your mission?

To make God known in proclamation and demonstration.

Who is this God that we are to make known in proclamation and demonstration?

Jehovah Rophe (Ex 15:26)

Jehovah, *I am who am*Rophe *Healing*"I am who am Healing"

Our God is a healing God. Our God is a healer.

Healing is so central to the Catholic faith that one of the Seven Sacraments is the Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament is for the healing of the body.

## **Bible Passages on Healing:**

- Exodus 23:25 And you shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless your bread, and your water; and I will take sickness away from the middle of you.
- Psalms 103:3 Who forgives all your iniquities; who heals all your diseases;
- Psalms 107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.
- Jeremiah 30:17 For I will restore health to you, and I will heal you of your wounds, said the LORD; because they called you an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeks after.
- *Matthew 4:23* And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
- *Matthew 9:12* But when Jesus heard that, he said to them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.
- *Matthew 10:8* Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give.
- Matthew 14:14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.
- Mark 16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
- Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.
- James 5:14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
- James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.
- 1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bore our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live to righteousness: by whose stripes you were healed.

# Lectio Divina

<u>Lectio</u> (*To Read*) Read the passage slowly, two or three times believing that God is going to speak into your life. Notice the words or phrases that speak to you.

<u>Meditatio</u> (*To Meditate*) Allow this Word to begin to sift through your life. What is God speaking to vou?

<u>Oratio</u> (*To Speak*) Now that God has spoken to you through His word, what is your response? Use the ACTS of prayer: **A**doration, **C**ontrition, **T**hanksgiving, **S**upplication? Speak to God freely. <u>Contemplatio</u> (*To Contemplate*) Read back over the passage and review your dialogue with God. Become quiet and turn your heart to His heart for you. Is there anything that He personally wants to

1<sup>st</sup> Day Mt 4:17 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Mt 10:7-8 3<sup>rd</sup> Day Mk 16:15-18 4<sup>th</sup> Day Ps 107:20

5<sup>th</sup> Day Is 53:5

6<sup>th</sup> Day Mt 8:1-3

Review

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speak to you?

Ask the Holy Spirit to show you areas of your life where you need healing. Bring those areas to the Lord and ask Jesus to lay his hands on you and heal you. Also, share those needs with your *School of the Holy Spirit* group and ask them to pray over you.