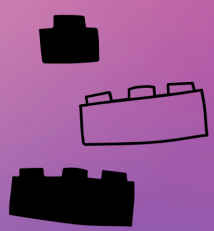





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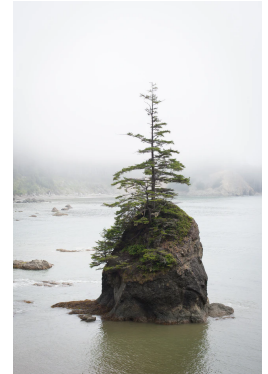
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January: Foundations for Healing



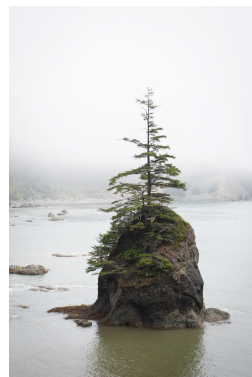
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Programme:

- 10:00: Part 1 - **Foundations and Theology**
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- 12:00: Break
- 12:10: Part 4 - **Prayer Appointments / worship**
- 12:25: Part 5 - **A model for Practical ministry**
- 12:55: Close

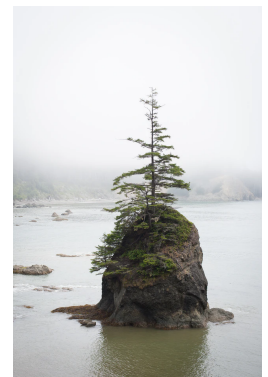


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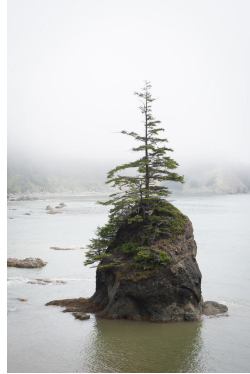
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Beginnings

- Ephesians 1:20 / 2:6
 - Position determines perspective
- John 14:12
 - The works of Jesus
- John 5:39-40
 - Christocentric hermeneutic



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Theology is...?

- "The science of God and of the relations between God and the universe." (A H Strong)
- "The science of the facts of divine revelation so far as those facts concern the nature of God and our relation to Him, as His creatures, as sinners, and as the subjects of redemption." (Charles Hodge)
- The study of God

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Which Theology...?

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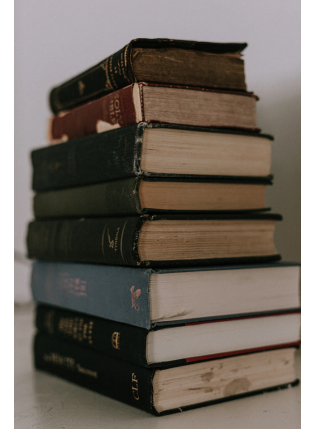
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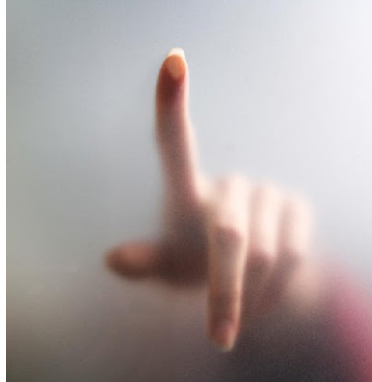


The Goal of Theology is...?

- The goal of theology is....
 - Discipleship – actively following Christ
 - “Our theology must draw us into participation in the things that matter to God; if it does not, it is wrong theology”
- 1 John 2:6

Theology & the Christian Healing Ministry

- Acorn Paradigms based on:
 - Experience
 - Research
 - Biblical Study
 - Observation
- Partial understanding...



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One

- What you believe about the nature of God and his relationship to reality
 - Good God?
 - Interventionist?

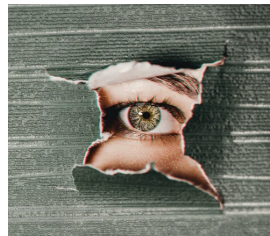


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Two

- What you believe the Great Commission contains
 - Words
 - Works
 - Wonders

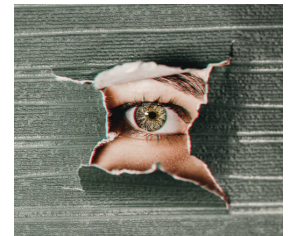


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Three

- What you believe about prayer, and how it impacts reality
 - Why pray?
 - What happens when I pray?
 - What changes when I pray?
 - How does prayer impact God?



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Four

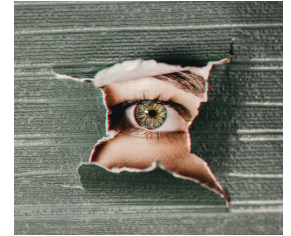
- An understanding of faith
- Nature of faith
 - Faith as trust / faith as certainty
 - God must – and does – act consistent with his word and his character :
- Ps 138:2



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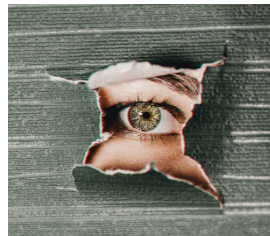
- Focus of faith
 - Faith in something / someone
 - “Your faith (in me) has made you whole”



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- Whose faith? – 5 arenas
 - Jesus
 - Sick person
 - A third party
 - The person doing the praying
 - The Community

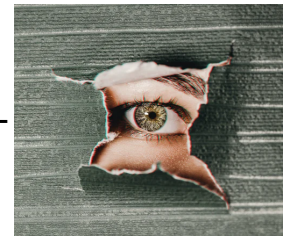


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Faith as experience

- Theoretical faith is simply illusion
- Faith is belief ‘put into action’
- Faith as an encounter with God himself
- “Trust is the only evidence of faith” – Brennan Manning



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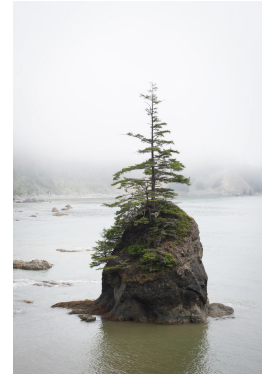
- Faith as action
- Faith perceives a different reality
 - A Kingdom of God orientation
- Moving people or situations to how God would want things
- Taking a risk – outcomes
- Following the ‘flow of love’



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Part Two: Prayer and Ministry: Which way is forward?



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Faith/Healing – an Acorn praxis

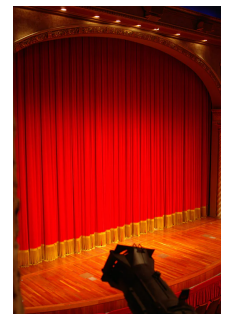
- The Father wants me well and ‘whole’
- Jesus did everything on the cross to make that possible
- The Holy Spirit is present and active to put it into effect

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God’s redemptive play

- Act 1 - Creation - Author sets out the plot
- Act 2 - The Fall - first element of conflict
- Act 3 - Story of Israel - recovery promised
- Act 4 - Story of Jesus - decisive pivotal act
- Act 5 - Church/2nd coming - resolution

Inaugurated Eschatology
– both “now” & “not yet”



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God's redemptive play

- *To pray “your kingdom come” at Jesus’ bidding...meant to align oneself with his kingdom movement and to seek God’s power in furthering its ultimate fulfillment. It meant adding one’s own prayer to the total performance of Jesus’ agenda. It meant celebrating in the presence of God the fact that the kingdom was already breaking in, and looking eagerly for its consummation.* (N.T. Wright)

Which is easier...?

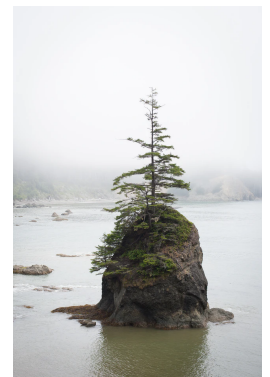
- Matt 9:5 / Mark 2:9 / Luke 5:23
- All 3 synoptic gospels include this story
- We take the words of Jesus as read...even red!
- The Greek word ‘sozo’ - is the root of our word salvation; it means to save or to heal and is often used interchangeably.
- Tyndale translated the end of Zacchaeus story as ‘today health has come to this house’ (Lk 19)

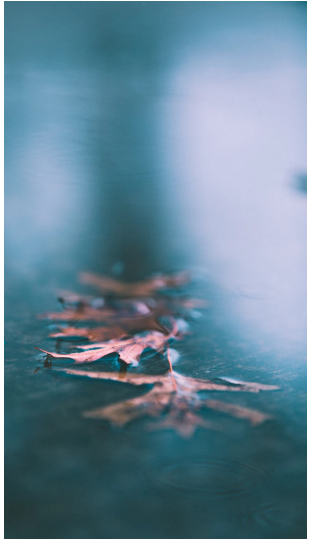
Caught in the overlay:

- Between our own humanity and our spirituality
- Between our mind and the mind of the Spirit
- Between the physical world and the spiritual world
- Both realms are real, valid and effectual

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Part Three: Prayer and Ministry: Finding Jesus the Healer





A word for this season - float! -

A word for this season

- **Psalm 44:3 NIV**
It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory; it was your right hand, your arm, and the light of your face, for you loved them.
- Your Right Hand
- Your Arm
- The light of your face
- You loved them

A word for this season And now...!

- Not this, but that...
- Not us, but him...
- Not strength, but trust...
- Not natural, but spiritual...
- Not earthly, but eternal...

Mark 1:40-45 / Lectio Divina

- **Lectio** – read the text 2 or 3 times
- **Meditatio** – think about the text, turning it over in your mind
- **Oratio** – put the text aside, sit quietly and speak to God about what you have read
- **Contemplatio** – put everything you have read and said aside and allow God to speak to you

Mark 1:40-45 / TPT

[40] On one occasion, a leper came and threw himself down in front of Jesus, pleading for his healing, saying, "You have the power to heal me right now if only you really want to!" [41] Being deeply moved with tender compassion, Jesus reached out and touched the skin of the leper and told him, "Of course I want you to be healed—so now, be cleansed!" [42] Instantly his leprous sores completely disappeared and his skin became smooth! [43] Jesus sent him away with a very stern warning, [44] saying, "Don't say anything to anyone about what just happened, but go find a priest and show him that you've been healed. Then bring the offering that Moses commanded for your cleansing as a living testimony to everyone." [45] But no sooner did the man leave than he began to proclaim his healing publicly and spread the story everywhere of his healing. Jesus' growing fame prevented him from entering the villages openly, which forced him to remain in isolated places. Even so, a steady stream of people flocked to him from everywhere.

Lectio Divina

- Mark 1
 - The emotions of heaven v41
 - God's Indignation/pity/anger
 - The Untouchable v41
 - The destructive nature of sickness v41
 - God's motives v41

How does Jesus heal..?

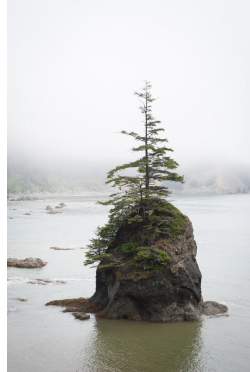
- Declaration of heaven's desire
- Superimposing heaven reality over human circumstance

How does Jesus heal..?

- Declaration of heaven's desire
- Superimposing heaven reality over human circumstance
- The power and purpose of 'touch'
- An invitation to obedience

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Part Four: Prayer and Ministry: 15 minutes of grace



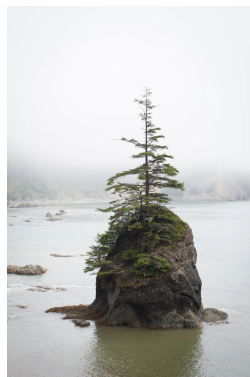
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Worship - finding
times of refreshing
from the Lord...

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Part Five: Prayer and Ministry: A model for Practical Ministry



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Practical Ministry

- Observe – keep your eyes open
- Pay attention to the way God is working in a particular moment
- Keep a record – jot down repeating patterns in your ministry
- Be open to things you have not seen before
- Ask for the gift of discerning of spirits

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“The issue is dependence on the Spirit. If there’s any pattern, it is simply this – depend on Him. Depend on Him. Depend on Him. Keep checking back with Him. Don’t jump to conclusions. Don’t try to recapitulate yesterday’s experience.”

“Several biblical methods can aid Christians in praying for the sick. I developed a procedure through trial and error that I call ‘five steps to healing prayer.’ Each element is based on Jesus’ method of praying for the sick.”

“You won’t get a very good effect if you pray generally. You need to pray specifically if you want to be effective in your prayers.”

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“Learning to pray for the sick is like **learning** to ride a bicycle. At first the parent runs alongside the wobbly child to prevent serious injury. ...Soon he will learn to ride smoothly and safely.

Learning to pray for the sick is a similar process: the first solo experiences are usually **messy**, but in time they become quite enjoyable.

I am more interested in **ministry than neatness**, so I provide a place in which people know they are accepted and helped even when they fail.”

Wimber quotes from Power Healing & teaching on The 5 Step Healing Model

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#1 THE INTERVIEW

Introduce yourself, then ask,

“**How can I pray for you?**” or “**Where does it hurt?**”

This is not a medical interview, but rather an opportunity to listen as we assess the person’s need.



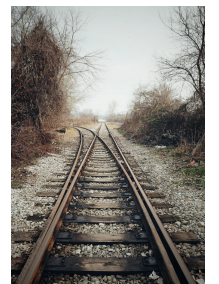
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#2 THE DIAGNOSIS

“**Why does this person have this condition?**”

Identify the underlying issue you sense God is inviting you to pray for.

It could be physical, emotional, relational, or otherwise.



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#3 PRAYER SELECTION

“What kind of prayer is needed to help this person?”



You can also ask, “Lord, (what) do you want to heal right now?”

Consider prayers of intercession, command, pronouncement, rebuke (of demonic influences), and agreement.

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#4 PRAYER ENGAGEMENT

“How effective are our prayers right now?”



Move into prayer, laying hands on the person (respectfully and by invitation), and asking further interview questions as necessary. Pray according to your diagnostic decision and prayer selection, listening to the Spirit.

In our prayer ministry we are **not** talking to the person but to God

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#5 POST-PRAYER DIRECTION

“What should this person do to remain healed?” or
“What should this person do if he or she was not healed?”



Offer some **simple direction** to the person who was prayed for. Encourage them to receive more prayer. Encourage the person to nurture a deep relationship with God,

If a healing occurred, encourage them to **get confirmation** from a medical professional and document what God did.

Praying as a 3 : each in turn

Pattern:

- Invite the Holy Spirit to make his presence known to the person – wait, focusing on Jesus
- Ask what God has said to them
- Pray the revelation they have received
- Pray imagining a new Kingdom reality



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