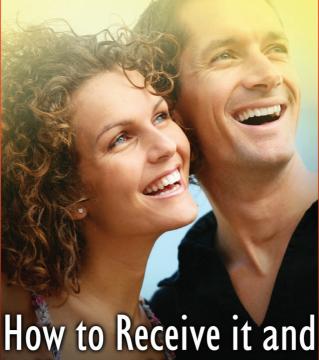
## DIVINE HEALING



How to Maintain it

JORGE TADEU

# Divine Healing

#### How to Receive and Mantain

#### Jorge Tadeu

Editor: Publicações Kuriakos

**Nº Edição:** 1ª Edição

No Exemplares: 50.000

**Registo IGAC:** 3523/2022

**ISBN:** 978-989-9158-33-7

All rights reserved. Any kind of reproduction of this book without the author's permission is strictly prohibited.

## **INDEX**

1-	FIND OUT WHAT GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE IS9
	<ol> <li>INTRODUCTION</li> <li>WHERE DO DISEASES COME FROM?</li> <li>GOD'S WILL is to ALWAYS HEAL US</li> <li>GOD'S WILL is to HEAL EVERYONE</li> <li>IT IS GOD'S WILL to HEAL TODAY</li> <li>The SEED is the WORD of GOD</li> <li>INSTANT and PROGRESSIVE HEALING</li> <li>UNDOING WRONG CONCEPTS</li> </ol>
2-	REMOVE ALL OBSTACLES  1 – 1st OBSTACLE – LACK of FORGIVENESS  2 – RENOUNCING INVOLVEMENT with the OCCULT  3 – RENOUNCE IDOLATRY  4 – DO NOT GET INVOLVED DISPUTES  5 – REFUSE to SPEAK NEGATIVE WORDS  6 – POINTING FINGERS AT OTHERS
3-	THE PRINCIPLE OF FAITH  1 – WITHOUT FAITH, NO ONE CAN PLEASE GOD  2 – FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF FAITH  3 – THE PRINCIPLE OF SOWING to REAP  4 – INSTANT AND PROGRESSIVE HEALING  5 – JESUS HIMSELF DIDN'T ALWAYS HAVE INSTANT RESULTS

4-1	HOW to RECEIVE DIVINE HEALING
	1 – INTRODUCTION
	2 – THE PRAYER OF FAITH
	3 – HOW TO RECEIVE DIVINE HEALING 4 – SECRETS ABOUT THE PRAYER OF FAITH
	5 – COMMON MISTAKES
	6 – RECEIVE YOUR DIVINE HEALING NOW
<b>5</b> -	WHAT TO DO WHILE YOU WAIT83
	1 – DON'T ASK AGAIN 2 – Praise god
	3 – CONFESS the WORD of GOD
	4 – DON'T GIVE UP and DON'T DISMAY IF EVERYTHING SEEMS WORSE
<b>6</b> _ '	WHAT TO DO TO REMAIN HEALED99
<b>U</b> -	1 – BUILD YOUR LIFE UPON THE ROCK
	2 – FILL YOUR HEART with SEEDS of HEALING
	3 –KEEP YOUR HEART CLEAN from LACK of FORGIVENESS
	4 – FLEE from BAD COMPANY 5 – SERVING GOD IS NOT an OPTION
	6 – PUT GOD in FIRST PLACE
<b>7-</b> \	WHAT TO DO IF the SYMPTOMS RETURN 109
	1 – IGNORE THE SYMPTOMS and the PAIN
	2 – FOCUS ON JESUS 3 – RESIST the DEVIL
	5 Iddio I die DEVID
<b>8-1</b>	<b>TESTIMONIES of DIVINE HEALING123</b>

### **PREFACE**

The purpose of this book is to help people who need God's help, specifically in the area of health.

#### God created everything perfect.

He created man in His image and likeness He gave him dominion over the Earth.

However, Adam disobeyed God, causing all of Mankind to become separated from God.

Men became slaves of satan, and the Earth became cursed.

These curses include **SPIRITUAL DEATH** (separation from Gods), physical death, diseases, infirmities, pain, poverty, etc. Mankind can never overcome these forces on their own.

Faced with this catastrophe, God was filled with compassion for mankind , and He decided to send His only Son to **Save us and to deliver us from the slavery of satan.** 

Jesus came more than 2.000 years ago as a human being To be our <u>SUBSTITUTE</u> in everything and To DELIVER us from all these curses

Jesus has a miracle for you, and the purpose of this book is to teach you about what Jesus has to give you.

I also don't want to miss the opportunity to advise you as the reader to seek God with all your heart.

Don't just come to God expecting to "grab" healing and then stop paying attention to Him; always put God first in your life, and you will see that He will add everything else you need in your life.

Many seek the things of this world in the first place and put God in the last place. Such people always become tied up with many problems in their lives.

I advise you to decide before God today, always to follow His ways, and to put Him first in your life. Then you will see that God will fill you with His love and all this Earth's good things.

### **DEDICATION**

This book is dedicated to Christel Tadeu who is my wife and companion.

#### Genesis 2:18, 24

And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Christel's parents knew that she had a special calling because when she was younger, God moved Himself through prophecies in the church, to announce that. Today, this prophecy is already a reality.

She is not only my wife and companion, but she is also my friend and helper on my missionary trips. When we go on these trips, sometimes we end up staying away from home for months without having a fixed place to stay. I believe that God has prepared Christel for this special ministry and for this time when millions of people who speak Portuguese are being told about Jesus.

She is also a mother who educates our 2 children; she goes to homeschool with them, but she never stops being a wife and a minister of God.

I recognize that not many wives would be able to live such an uncommon life:

Without a fixed address Always by my side, opening churches Educating two children, and at the same time being my companion.

I give many thanks to God for the friend He has given me.

# 1- FIND OUT WHAT GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR LIFE IS

#### Hosea 4:6

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge ..."

#### 1 - INTRODUCTION

Throughout the years I have received thousands of testimonies of people who were healed of various diseases because of reading this book, listening to tapes, watching videos, and also because of participating in our live services.

There are also many people who have never seen me physically and for whom I have never prayed, **BUT despite** that, they have been healed by reading this book.

#### What is the reason behind this?

Are people healed because of my teachings or my method? **The answer is no.** 

#### The success is due to the fact that this book

teaches us about the "will of God" and it teaches us about the "method" of God to heal."

A person who is ill, cannot come to God and ask Him to be healed by telling Him how He must do it.

#### God is the One who tells us what to do.

It is for this reason that I teach others "How to receive divine healing"

#### The person who is ill needs two basic things:

- To know if it is the will of God to heal or not
- To know how to receive divine healing by the method of God, instead of coming "to see" if it will work or not.

#### Hosea 4:6

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge ..."

Many people are destroyed because they don't know the truth about God.

Many people come hastily to ask for prayer due to an illness they might have, but they come without faith in Jesus who heals. They are in doubt:

- Does God still heal today?
- Does God want to heal me?

People have faith in Jesus, but only in the sense that they believe that Jesus exists, they believe that He is God and they also believe that He died to save us

#### But they are not sure if God will heal them or not.

## GOD IS A GOD OF FAITH AND HE DOES NOT ANSWER WHERE THERE IS DOUBT.

So, it is very important that the person knows for sure:

- Whether it is the will of God to heal diseases or not
- Whether God still heals today, or if He only healed in the days when Jesus lived here on Earth
- Whether it is the will of God to heal everyone, or whether He only wants to heal some privileged people.

#### 2 - WHERE DO DISEASES COME FROM?

Contrary to what people might think, God doesn't cause diseases. The Bible says in

#### John 10:10

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

## The culprit for diseases is not God, it is the devil.

God can never give diseases, because He doesn't have diseases. In heaven there are no diseases, nor does God have diseases to give to anybody.

#### God is not bad, God is good!

Even though we are only human and we are fallible parents, we only wish the best for our children, and it would never cross our minds to give a disease to one of them or to punish them with a disease.

How could God, who is good and perfect, do such a thing?

#### God is not the one who causes diseases. God is the one who heals diseases.

I John 3:8

8...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

We can see in the Bible that Jesus came to "destroy" the works of the devil.

#### John 10:10

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

On the other hand, some people think that the devil is responsible for every disease. They are the kind of Christians who think that there is a demon behind every door.

The truth is that diseases have various origins.

#### Some diseases come from:

Birth defects; Not looking after your body properly; Hereditary problems;

Spirits of infirmity; Involvement with the occult; Lack of forgiveness

#### a) BIRTH DEFECTS

There are people who are born with certain defects. This is an organic or genetic issue.

Adam and Eve sinned many years ago and became separated from God. Consequently, God was left out of the equation, making it impossible for Him to help us sometimes.

#### b) NOT LOOKING AFTER the BODY PROPERLY

Sometimes people become ill because they don't look after their body properly

They drink too much, Or they eat too much...

There are people who have problems with their kidneys due to the enormous amount of alcohol they drink. This has nothing to do with demons, nor is God to blame.

#### c) HEREDITARY PROBLEMS

Other people have diseases that come from their family: they pass from parents to children.

#### d)SPIRITS of INFIRMITY

As incredible as it may seem, there are demons that cause specific infirmities.

We see this case in a lady who used to go to a synagogue, she walked with a hunched back for 18 years.

#### Luke 13:10,11

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath (Jesus taught on the Sabbath). And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years...

At first, it seemed as if the lady had a disease. But that wasn't the case, since the Bible says that she had a spirit of infirmity.

#### e) INVOLVEMENT with the OCCULT/LACK of FORGIVENESS

Involvement with the occult and lack of forgiveness also open doors in your life for demons to come in.

#### 3 - GOD'S WILL IS TO ALWAYS HEAL US

#### Malachi 3:6

"For I am the Lord, I do not change..."

#### Many people say the following:

"God heals sometimes, other times He doesn't. It's not always God's will to heal us."

#### **However, this idea is WRONG!**

#### **Because it is the will of God**

to ALWAYS HEAL us and to heal EVERY infirmity.

#### Psalm 103:3

...Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases

#### Isaiah 53: 4, 5

4 Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.

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.

Jesus suffered on the cross for us, and in everything, He became our substitute.

#### On the CROSS

- He paid for our sins to give us salvation.
- He nailed our infirmities and He gave us health in exchange.
- He became poor to give us prosperity in exchange.

## Today, you can receive divine healing from Jesus if you want to.

All you have to do is learn how to receive:

Not your way, But God's way.

The great secret of Divine Healing lies in learning to "receive" in God's way.

#### 4 - GOD'S WILL IS TO HEAL EVERYONE

Romans 2:11

For there is no partiality with God.

If God heals one person, then it's God's will to heal everyone because He doesn't discriminate against people.

Someone might ask: "So why are there so many people who are not healed?"

#### Firstly, because they don't know the will of God.

Hosea 4:6

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

## Secondly, because they don't know how to "RECEIVE" from God.

Divine healing doesn't come when you cry to God, expecting to "move" God to the point where He decides — "Ok, this time I will heal you"

## God has already "been moved" 2.000 years ago when He sent Jesus Christ to die for us on the cross!

Jesus came to Earth and went to the Cross of Calvary,

to save us,

to heal us,

to redeem us from the Curses and

to give us Life in abundance.

Divine Healing does not come from making promises to God: "Oh God, if you heal me, I will give you a good offering, I will make a sacrifice by walking barefoot for I don't know how many kilometers!"

#### **GOD CAN HEAL EVERYONE AND HE WANTS TO.**

You just have to BELIEVE in the promises of God and then RECEIVE them.

#### **Nothing is impossible for God:**

- There is no disease too big for God.
- There is no problem too big for God.
- God CAN do all things.
- God CAN heal all diseases.
- God CAN solve all problems.
- God not only CAN, but He also wants to.

That is the reason why He ordered the Bible to be written.

It's in the Bible that He describes His promises. You just have to believe in the promises of God and then you have to receive them.

#### 5 - IT IS GOD'S WILL to HEAL TODAY

#### Hebrews 13:8

8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever

#### God doesn't change.

Circumstances change, The world changes, People change.

#### **BUT God doesn't change.**

God is the same today as He was yesterday and even 2.000 years ago. If Jesus healed yesterday, He will heal today and tomorrow.

#### Some people think wrongly:

I know that 'one day' I'll be healed (maybe, we don't know when). I know it will be perfect when we get to Heaven!"

#### But the truth is that God heals every day.

God heals TODAY. You just have to BELIEVE and to RECEIVE.

#### 6 - The SEED is the WORD of GOD

One of the biggest Secrets of the Kingdom of God was taught by Jesus and it is written in the Bible:

#### Mark 4:26

26 "And He said (Jesus), "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground."

Everything in the Kingdom of God works according to the **principle of "sowing" and "reaping."** 

Both in heaven and on Earth, everything works according to this Law that God has instituted.

See the example of plants and trees - they grow as a result of a seed being planted in the ground.

## Everything in Heaven and on Earth works according to this Law that God has instituted.

Our children are born as a result of the seed of a man in his wife.

Our own words are seeds – Whatever I say will bear the fruit of "death" or of "life"

- Proverbs 18:21

Bible verses (the Word of God) is also a seed.

Each promise of God is a "good seed."

#### Mark 4:14

The sower sows the word (of God).

When we use God's methods to obtain Divine healing they never fail.

#### You just have to understand this mystery:

Your heart is the soil, And the Bible verses are seeds.

When you hear about God's will for your health, or when you read or hear Bible verses that promise Divine Healing,

You are "sowing" seeds of Divine Healing into the soil of your heart.

If you are ill, you need to fill your heart with verses of divine healing. Those verses are the seeds that will sprout, grow, and give you a harvest of health.

## It is for this reason that I am giving you verses of divine healing and showing you what God's will is.

Many people who are ill come hastily and ask me:

- "Pastor, pray for me because I'm ill."

## But what they need first is not prayer! They need to learn the Word of God in order to collaborate with God.

### They need to sow seeds of divine healing into the soil of their heart.

I can pray for you, time after time; Sunday after Sunday, every week, until (as I like to say as a joke) you become bald; BUT nothing will happen.

The prayer of faith that heals the sick should only be done "after" (and never before) the seed is planted (the Word of God).

#### 7 - INSTANT and PROGRESSIVE HEALING

There are people who would like to be healed instantly. Well, I would also like to press a button and "ding dong!" — A person would become instantly healed.

Wouldn't it be great if that were the case? If that were the case, I would go to every hospital, and I would heal everybody. But that is not how God does things.

## The method of God is in everything (including with Divine Healing) similar to the process of the growth of a seed.

We have to sow the seed in the ground; the seed is hidden and nobody sees it. The farmer does not feel anything. **We have to give time for the seed to grow.** 

It will first grow downwards, creating roots (invisible). Later, you will see a small blade shooting from the ground. (The first visible signs that the plant exists).

We have to wait a little while longer for the seed to give all that it has to give.

After some time, everything will have grown, and the fruit can be seen.

## The NORMAL process of divine healing also works in this way - it is a PROGRESSIVE process.

The normal process for a preacher to help a person who is ill, is as follows:

- The preacher lays his hands upon a person who is ill
- At the same time, he prays the prayer of faith with that person (this is described in one of the following chapters)
- The person who is ill then "receives" the seed of divine healing
- The preacher then lays his hands upon that person, and God places the seed of divine healing
- The person who is ill will "recover" until they are 100% healed.

It can take a minute, a day, a week, a month, I don't know, but it is the principle of the seed

In the beginning, the person who is ill doesn't see anything or feel anything different.

It is like a seed that is under the ground without being seen.

#### If the person who is ill

- 1) Understands that the seed of healing is already in his heart and that it is growing;
- 2) Doesn't give up during the time it takes for the seed to grow

**RESULT:** The fruits will come and he will be 100% healed

#### This is the infallible method of God that always works

And it is with this method that I have been able to help thousands and thousands of people.

If, however, the person is healed instantly, then it is a **MIRACLE** and not a Healing.

I believe that no one can promise miracles, because nobody knows when God will speed up the normal process of growth.

I give thanks to God for having seen many Miracles happen, such as deaf people starting to hear, paraplegic people getting out of their wheelchairs, etc.

And obviously, I like it when that happens, but the truth is that nobody can promise Miracles.

However, Divine Healing (normal, progressive) can be promised since it is a promise of God and not our own.

#### 8 – UNDOING WRONG CONCEPTS

**WRONG CONCEPT 1-** "God speaks through accidents" Once a couple came to see me, because they had a very good testimony to give!!

-"We have our own business. One day we were out riding our motorbike and it started to rain. We fell and we had a terrible accident. We broke our legs, and the bike was beyond repair. BUT it was all God's doing because right there where we had the accident, that's where we found a shop for our business".

When I heard this, I was so shocked that I thought: "How can Christians think that God has to break their legs and to destroy their bikes in order to show them the ideal place for their business?!?""

Would you do that to your child? Of course not! God wouldn't do that either, He has nothing bad to give us.

#### God only has GOOD things to give.

Whoever thinks in this way about God regarding their business, will also have the wrong idea about God regarding divine healing.

**WRONG CONCEPT 2 -** "God does His will through diseases" A certain Christian was talking to me and he told me his testimony:

-" Apostle Tadeu, I have a good testimony to tell you: I became ill, and things got so complicated that I had to be operated on.

As a result, I took the opportunity to speak about Jesus to people who were in the beds next to mine whilst I was in the hospital. All of them gave their lives to Jesus.

Oh, you know, pastor, I'm so happy, because now I understand that it was God's will for me to get sick so that I could win souls for Jesus."

#### I answered:

"What? Do you think that God would be capable of doing that to you so that He could save people? As a father, would you do that to your child?"

#### Then he went on to say:

-"Oh, but you don't understand, Pastor; I ended up in the hospital because God wanted me to be there. He could use me to preach the gospel, and about ten people were saved".

#### I replied:

-"Wouldn't it have been far better if you were healthy when you went to give a word of salvation to those people? Wouldn't God be more glorified? Don't you see that it is strange to think that God gives diseases to people and that he puts them in hospital for them to testify about Him?" I encourage all Christians to never speak like that because it is the same as saying that God is bad!

#### But God is not bad, God is good! In fact God is not good; He is very very good!

Jesus came to give life in abundance. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil.

How can he give diseases on one side, and then come to destroy them?

**WRONG CONCEPT 3** - "Sometimes He heals, other times he doesn't"

When I started the church in Portugal, I met some Pastors that I befriended. One of them was a foreigner, a wonderful man, a man of God.

At some point, his wife became ill, and the whole church prayed for her, but apparently, she wasn't getting any better.

So, the preacher started to say:

"My wife has this disease because sometimes God heals, and other times He doesn't heal."

#### I thought:

"If God heals sometimes and He doesn't heal other times, He must be a very CONFUSED God" During that time, I wrote this book about <u>Divine Healing</u>. And this preacher was very angry and he said the following: "How dare you give false hope to people by promising them that God always heals. This can be very dangerous!"

#### I answered the following:

"I am not making any of my own promises; I cannot promise anything of my own. I am just like any other man, but I am a messenger of God, and I am only saying what God tells me to say, and the responsibility is not mine. God says that He always heals and as a messenger of God I can only give the message of God."

This preacher believed in Jesus; he had faith in Jesus, who saved us.

And up to a certain point, he believed in the Jesus who heals us. He prayed for many people who were ill.

But when his wife became ill, he started to say that sometimes God heals and other times He doesn't.

## He stopped believing in the promises of God because he started focusing on his wife's EXPERIENCES.

## But our faith should NEVER be based upon the experiences of others!

If someone falls, it doesn't mean we must also fall? If we were to apply the same logic to driving, at this point, nobody would drive a car.

#### Why?

Because I know so and so who had a car accident and then died. Therefore, none of us should drive a car or ride in one! Wouldn't that be ridiculous?

#### It's NEVER God's fault when someone isn't healed.

- Sometimes, people are not healed because they come blind without knowing how to receive divine healing.
- Other times, it's because they have OBSTACLES that need to be removed.

# 2- REMOVE ALL OBSTACLES

#### Isaiah 59:1,2

Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, That it cannot save... But your iniquities have separated you from your God..."

Sometimes, people do certain things that are real obstacles, preventing them from receiving their healing:

*Isaiah 59:2* ... But your iniquities have separated you from your God ...

Don't bother asking God for help if you don't remove the obstacles you have in front of you. The most common obstacles are mentioned later on in this chapter.

This issue is better discussed in another book I have written called The Origin of Problems. I suggest that you also read it.

#### 1 – 1st OBSTACLE – LACK of FORGIVENESS

Throughout many years of praying for the sick, I have noticed that "lack of forgiveness" is the most common obstacle of all.

I have also perceived that when people end up forgiving,

- they are healed very quickly
- and in some cases, they are healed instantly

For this reason, I will expand on this issue in this book in order to help people better.

## God has already forgiven our sins; and today He is with His arms wide open to RECEIVE us and to HELP us.

However, He requires that we forgive everything that we might have against anyone else.

#### Mark 11:25, 26

25 And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.
26 But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.

Once, Jesus was explaining to Peter the great importance of forgiveness.

And Peter asked: But Jesus, how many times can my brother sin against me and I have to forgive him? Until 7?

And Jesus answered: "No, I say not until 7, but until 70 times 7 times." (Matthew 18:21-22)

Then Jesus told the following parable:

#### Matthew 18:23-26

23 Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.

24 And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.

25 But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made.

26 The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.'

## And the king had mercy on him and FORGAVE him everything.

But this man went and found people who owed him small amounts of money, and instead of being patient with them, he threw them into prison. The king found out about that and called him:

"Listen, aren't you ashamed of yourself? I forgave you such a big debt, and now you go around beating people and putting them into prison for such insignificant things? You evil man."

#### Then the king threw that man into prison.

#### Matthew 18:34-35

34 And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

35 "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

## Who are the tormentors? They are the demons.

Jesus said in: John 10: 10

10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantlya.

#### When a person doesn't forgive

They have the doors of their life open for thieves to come in and steal whatever they please

That's why some people say: "I don't know why bad things happen to me; everything always seems to go wrongl."

Once, a man of God was telling me about a dream he had, had.

#### In his dream he saw a BIG DAM full of water.

Then he saw a thick pipe coming from that dam, straight into his house. When he opened the tap in his house, he expected the water to flow in abundance, but instead of that, He only saw some small insignificant drops of water: drip, drip, drip.

Then he said: "But how is it possible that I only have a few drops of water coming out of my tap if there is such a huge dam filled with so much water and a huge pipe that goes straight into my house?"

After that, God took him inside the pipe and he saw that the pipe was BLOCKED!

Blocked with big stones and with small stones, Blocked with sand, Blocked with garbage and other things...

#### Then the man understood the dream – HE was BLOCKED!

#### **GOD HAS A HUGE DAM**

full of blessings, full of health, full of happiness, and full of victories...

BUT if our hearts are blocked with LACK of FORGIVENESS, there is nothing that He can do for us.

There are many Christians with **BLOCKED** prayers. They pray time after time, but with no results.

There are many Christians with **BLOCKED** finances!

There are many Christians with **BLOCKED** health!

#### WHAT IS THE SOLUTION?

- Forgive those who have OFFENDED you
- Forgive those who have HARMED you
- Forgive those who have MISTREATED you
- Forgive those who have CAUSED YOU GREAT PROBLEMS

A common MISTAKE people make is when they say: "I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN FORGIVE, it's very difficult."

The problem is that people don't know what it is to forgive!

#### They wrongly think that forgiving is:

- To forget what people have done to us
- To never again remember the harm that was done against us
- To stop FEELING angry
- To stop feeling a sense of INJUSTICE

#### Forgiveness is a DECISION!

Always forgive, whether you feel like it or not.

Someone could say: "I have already forgiven, but I am still angry. I can't stop thinking about the bad things that, that person has done to me."

Well, my answer would be that if you say that you have forgiven that person, it is because you have already forgiven them, whether you feel it or not.

#### Forgiveness was the DECISION you made, even though you still have contrary feelings even though you still have the memory of what happened...

Your feelings are still "switched on."

We can compare your feelings to an iron. After you have ironed your clothes, you switch off the iron but it still remains hot for a while.

What can we do if we are still "boiling" with some injustice that was done against us?

How can we stop the TORMENT of constantly remembering the bad things that were done against us?

#### The solution is in Matthew 5:44

44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you.

#### **Notice the solution that Jesus gives us:**

- Bless those who curse you
- Pray for those who persecute you
- Wish well to those who have mistreated you.

Do you identify with this message? Do you feel that this study applies to your life?

Then pray this PRAYER now:

#### **PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS**

"Dear God, I decide to FORGIVE
All the bad things that people have done against me,
All the people who have offended me,
All the people who have treated me badly,
All those who have harmed me

And now God, clean my heart, From all the anger, from all resentment, From all pain, hatred and bitterness.

> I also ask your forgiveness, Because I am also at fault.

And now help me, guide my steps, Teach me your ways, Amen."

#### 2 – RENOUNCING INVOLVEMENT with the OCCULT

Many people, in one way or another, were or are involved with the OCCULT through:

- Sorcery, Spiritism
- Card reading reading the Future etc.
- Consulting the dead
- Consulting mediums
- Astrologers
- Horoscope, etc.

# The Bible declares that such activities are illicit and that they are a great sin before God.

#### Deuteronomy 18:9–14

When you come into the land which the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominations of those nations.

There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead (consulting the dead is forbidden by God).

For all who do these things are an ABOMINATION to the Lord, and because of these abominations the Lord your God DRIVES them OUT FROM before you.

### God HATES these activities, because all of them are involved with satan and evil spirits.

Many sorcerers and seers etc., say that they do their work in the name of God.

But that is a great lie, because the Bible is very clear and it doesn't leave any doubt about what God thinks about practicing these activities.

Some people when faced with problems, look for help in the "Occult," through consulting spirits, seers, card readers, those who consult the dead, mediums, etc.

Afterwards, they start having problems all the time and they don't know why.

#### Then people say:

"Everything happens to me! I have such bad luck!"

"Everything goes wrong in my life!"

"Suddenly my life is going backwards!"

#### Isaiah 47:9-11

But these two things shall come to you in a moment, in one day: the loss of children, and widowhood. They shall come upon you in their fullness, because of the multitude of your sorceries, for the great abundance of your enchantments.

Therefore evil shall come upon you; You shall not know from where it arises. And trouble shall fall upon you.

#### And verse 12 says even more:

#### Isaiah 47:12

12 Stand now with your enchantments, and the multitude of your sorceries, in which you have labored from your youth - Perhaps you will be able to profit, Perhaps you will prevail.

Once, at a time when the church was just starting out, someone asked me for help: "My friend's wife is pregnant and she is suffering very much. She has been bleeding non-stop and she is about to lose her baby. The couple have already looked for help in many places, but the situation just keeps on getting worse!"

So I went to the couple's house with my friend.

The couple was greatly distressed and the lady soon started talking to me and crying at the same time:

"I am losing so much blood! I went to the doctor and I did everything he told me to do but instead of getting better, I just keep getting worse.

And now, the last thing the doctor told me is that if things continue like this, I will lose the baby.

Almost every night I feel this horrible pain in my stomach; my husband can barely sleep with my screams...it feels like someone is stabbing me in my stomach"

#### As I listened, I thought:

"These are symptoms of someone who was involved in the occult and now the demons are trying to kill the baby."

#### I asked the couple:

"Have you ever been involved with the occult, sorcery, spiritualism, card reading, reading the future, consulting the dead, and consulting mediums at any point in your lives?"

They looked at one another with a look that said - "How does he know?"

#### Then they said:

"As a matter of fact, we went to visit a certain person. You know, we had some financial problems and a friend of mine gave me the address of a witch doctor."

All I know is that he cut a bit of our hair to "do some work," he threw it into the sea, and he did. I don't know what else...

Since that didn't help, I went to another witch doctor. He prepared a small bag with bones and sand from the cemetery and told us to stitch the small bags to our clothes. That also didn't work.

So, we consulted another person who came into our house and made some "smoke" and put some special powder in our room."

### Then I explained that they had gotten themselves involved with the devil by doing that.

I opened the Bible and I showed her what God says.

In the beginning, they could hardly believe that God spoke about such things and that the Bible condemns these activities!

The couple told me: "They do everything in God's name, and they do it to help people..."

I explained that, in fact, there are many people who are sincere in what they do, but they are "sincerely wrong."

The truth is that the things that they had described are the ways of the devil.

When I told them that, they were even more scared. It had never crossed their minds that they had been getting themselves involved with the devil, nor did they intend to do so.

There are many people in the world who are in the same position as this couple:

Seeking help in these places, Thinking that God is in those places...

But the Bible is very clear, and it doesn't leave room for doubt —That is a path that takes you directly to where demons dwell!

The couple understood that they had been deceived and they then decided to repent from having done things that had upset God.

They gave their lives to Jesus and then I broke the power of the devil in their lives.

Later on, I heard that everything had gone well. The lady had started sleeping well, the bleeding and the pain had stopped, and the baby was born without any problems.

Do you feel that this lesson is for you? Does everything bad seem to happen to you?

Were you involved with the occult?
Or did you consult someone connected to sorcery, etc?

#### Do you want to be set free? Only God can deliver you!

Then pray this prayer right now:

#### PRAYER to RENOUNCE the OCCULT

"Oh God, I admit that I was connected to the OCCULT but I RENOUNCE all these activities of the occult.

I renounce sorcery, card reading, witchcraft, consulting the dead and all the rest that I was involved in.

I repent from these ways because I now understand that all these things are an abomination and that they upset God.

Lord, forgive me, because I don't want in any way to be involved with the devil. Amen."

### If you have prayed this prayer, then I will break the power of the devil in your life so that you can be FREE!

"Satan I come against you in the name of Jesus Christ.

I break the power of witchcraft in this person's life.

I break the power of sorcery in this person's life.

I tear up all the pacts that you might have in your power regarding the person who is reading this book and who has prayed TO RENOUNCE THE OCCULT in their lives.

I set them free in the name of Jesus Christ, so that they can be healed, saved and delivered forever.

And now Lord Jesus, I give you thanks because you are true; you are giving orders to your angels so that they can set these people free wherever they might be.

Amen"

#### 3 - RENOUNCE IDOLATRY

Many people are idolaters and don't even notice it.

# What is idolatry? Idolatry is:

- Making requests to God through saints.
- Make requests to God through St. Anthony, St. Joseph, etc.
- Make requests to the Virgin Mary..

Did you know that there is only one acceptable way to get to God?

#### That way is Jesus Christ.

#### John 14:6

6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

#### You:

Cannot get to God officially, except through Jesus. Cannot legally get to God except through Jesus. Cannot make requests to God except through Jesus.

#### **God** is **God**

### And He says that there is only one way that He accepts Jesus Christ!

There is no other Name in Heaven or on Earth which leads us to Salvation. (*Acts 4:12*)

**IDOLATRY** is also honoring a person or a thing in a manner that should only belong to God.

It's putting people, objects, job, etc., in a place that only belongs to God.

#### **Worshipping Mary is idolatry!**

When people sing hymns to Mary, they are practising idolatry.

This is what happens when they sing hymns like Ave Maria.

God says the following in: *Isaiah 42:8* 

8 I am the Lord, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images.

**God is very clear** "... I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols."

To worship Mary – as the MOTHER of GOD - is idolatry. Mary is not the mother of God.

If God had a mother, she would be superior to God.

#### JJesus taught us a prayer in:

#### Matthew 6:7, 8

7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

8 Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him

#### But people do exactly what Jesus told them not to do:

They repeat the same phrase a thousand times They even use a "rosary" to keep count of the times they have prayed.

Nobody can come to God through Mary; You can only come to God through Jesus!

Most people have already heard the 10 commandments.

#### They know that the 10 commandments say:

"You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery

You shall not steal ." (Exodus 20:1-12)

#### **But what is the FIRST COMMANDMENT?**

#### Exodus 20:3-5

"You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me."

God says: "You will not make for yourself images or any likeness of anything that is on earth" (the saints, Mary etc).

How many people have images of saints everywhere in the house?

Images of paper, clay, wood, gold and silver...

Then people ask: "Why do I have so many problems in life? Why is it that nothing goes well in my life?"

In Exodus, God was quite clear:

These things UPSET God.

#### **Idolatry is following PROCESSIONS!**

#### Isaiah 45:20

20 They have no knowledge, who carry the wood of their carved image, and pray to a god that cannot save."

#### Isaiah 46:6-7

6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver on the scales; They hire a goldsmith, and he makes it a god; They prostrate themselves, yes, they worship.

7 They bear it on the shoulder, they carry it and set it in its place, and it stands; From its place it shall not move. Though one cries out to it, yet it cannot answer nor save him out of his trouble."

#### **Idolatry is making SACRIFICES**

Many people "make sacrifices" for the love of Jesus. But the truth is that Jesus is the one who sacrificed himself on the cross for us because he loved us.

Making sacrifices like walking on foot for many kilometers, like climbing church steps on one's knees, etc., displeases God.

#### I Corinthians 10:1 – 20

...flee from idolatry...

What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything? Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons."

Someone told me: "But pastor, we are not necessarily worshipping the images. It is God whom we worship. We only use images to get to God."

And I answered: "But God tells us not to do that!"

And that person continued to argue: "Well, I think that there is nothing wrong with that, because..."

#### **But what does God "think?"**

God "thinks" this is idolatry. Idolatry is a sin.

#### Iesus said:

#### Revelation 22:13-15

- 13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.
- 14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.
- 15 But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie."

# Sorcerers and those who worship idols will be cast out of the Kingdom of God.

Once, I met an upper-class lady who was going through problems. She happened to be a lawyer.

She asked me for advice in the church's office and began by telling me that she was very Catholic, very religious, and that she believed in God very much:

"I even have a corner in my house, which is dedicated to lighting candles to the virgin Mary; so I don't know why I have problems. The more I pray to God, the more problems I have!"

# This lady believed in God and she was sincere BUT she was SINCERELY MISTAKEN,

#### She was doing what God forbids us to do.

Then I started to explain to her, carefully:

- "Do you believe in the 10 commandments?"

She answered: "Oh! Of course I believe in them?"

I continued saying: "Ok, so read what is written here."

I opened the Bible in *Exodus 20.* 

She started to read it and then she said: "Oh no! This Bible can't be right! How can this be?!!!"

Well, I went to fetch a Bible, which was signed by the Archbishop of Lisbon and which was approved by the Catholic Church, and obviously it said the same thing which I had read in *Exodus 20*.

The lady could barely believe what she was reading: "Oh... but how can it be possible?!! Have I been lied to all of these years?"

#### What should we do then?

Repent from worshipping idols
Throw away all of your idols of paper, porcelain...
Throw away all of your niches, candles...

#### Deuteronomy 7:25

25 - the carved images ... with fire; you shall not covet the silver or gold that is on them...

Stop praying to images.
Stop consulting Mary.
Stop placing money on those images.

Rather, come to God through Jesus Christ. Give your life to Jesus Christ, and be saved.

*Matthew 10:37* - He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me

#### Love God above all things and all people; always put God first in your life!

Also know that it is not enough to throw away your idols; it is necessary to feel disgust towards this sin of worshipping idols. Idolatry comes from the heart, not from the images as such

And if that is what you want to do, then determine to do so now and pray this prayer with me:

#### **PRAYER**

"Dear God, I ask for forgiveness, because I have offended you and I did what displeases you.

I didn't know better Lord but
today I understand that I was
worshipping idols and that it doesn't please you.
Today I understand that
Jesus is the only way.
It is Him that I want to serve and nobody else.

Lord Jesus, receive my heart today.

I give you my life.

Amen."

#### 4 - DO NOT GET INVOLVED DISPUTES

#### James 3:16

16"For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there."

The devil's satanic work is always present whenever there are arguments and quarrels.

# Refuse to become involved in arguments so that you don't open doors to satan, thus allowing him to steal what God wants to give you!

Today, there are many soap operas with scenes in which husband and wife, as well as parents and children, are constantly arguing, etc.

Most people who watch those soap operas, think that there is nothing wrong with that, and that it is just entertainment.

However, people tend to copy what they see on TV! And without noticing it, they are opening doors to demons. We close our houses' doors and windows so thieves won't come in and steal what they please.

#### SPIRITUALLY SPEAKING IT IS THE SAME THING.

We have to close the doors of our lives to demons that are thieves - that only come to steal, kill and destroy.

#### Just like Jesus said in: John 10:10

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

# If you are a person prone to arguments and contentions, I want to advise you to change your lifestyle.

If in your family or at your workplace, there are people who are prone to those things, I advise you to get away from those people!

Don't involve yourself in these activities that only bring problems.

Apostle Paul said the same to young preacher Timothy:

#### II Timothy 2:16, 17

But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort.

#### *II Timothy 2:24 – 25*

And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient; in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth

#### 5 - REFUSE to SPEAK NEGATIVE WORDS

Many people don't know the power that there is in their own words - our words are just like seeds!

What we speak with our mouths are seeds that will sprout, grow and bear fruits for our future.

#### Proverbs 18:21

21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue...

### If you speak death (negatively) you will have defeat.

# If you speak life (the Word of God), then you will have victory.

Many people defeat and harm themselves with their own words:

- -"I already know that I will get the flu this winter."
- "Only bad things happen to me!"
- -"I've seen all the doctors and I know I can't be cured."

#### There is power in your tongue!

If you want Jesus to heal you, STOP talking negatively about yourself and about your health (family, job, etc.).

#### So what should you do then?

Stop talking negatively and Break the power of those words

#### Pray the following prayer:

Oh God, I come to you in the name of Jesus.

I now break the power of all negative words that I or other people have said against my life;

In the name of Jesus,

Amen

We have already said that everything in the Kingdom of God is like a man who sows a seed  $-Mark\ 4:26$ 

That means that when you said negative words about your health, you were sowing weeds in your life.

But when you pray the prayer I mentioned above, you are "removing" those weeds so they don't bear fruit.

#### 6 - POINTING FINGERS AT OTHERS

#### Isaiah 58:8, 9

Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; You shall cry, and He will say, 'Here I am.' "If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness."

### Here are three things that separate people from divine healing:

- 1) The yoke
- 2) Pointing fingers at others
- 3) and speaking vanity.

Some people have the habit of manipulating others through tears and even through sex.

Others have the habit of pointing fingers at others, of speaking about other people's flaws and of criticizing others.

There are also those who spend their time glorifying themselves, they say:

-"I am the best in this factory...without me, the company where I work would go bankrupt..."

"My car is the best..."

#### God resists the proud and the boastful:

That means that God resists those who think they are better than others and those who treat others with an attitude of superiority.

### It is important that those who come to God for divine healing

Repent from these attitudes and firmly decide not to return to them

Only then will God answer their prayers.

### **3-THE PRINCIPLE of FAITH**

#### 1 – WITHOUT FAITH, NO ONE CAN PLEASE GOD Hebrews 11:6

6 - But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Most people think that they have a lot of faith just because they believe in God.

### If you believe in Jesus, you do, in fact have faith But that faith will only SAVE you.

In order to receive divine healing, it is necessary to come to God with faith in God's promises regarding divine healing.

#### 2 – FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE of FAITH

Faith is not something "abstract," and it is also not something so "spiritual" that it's unreachable to normal people.

# Faith is a force that brings to us the things that God promises.

Personally, I think that there is a verse in the Bible that is key for us to understand what faith is and how it operates.

#### Ephesians 1:3

3 "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ."

#### The first thing that I notice in this passage is that:

- God HAS already blessed us
- God's not going to bless us He has ALREADY blessed us
- God's not going to Save us He has ALREADY Saved us
- God's not going to Heal us He has ALREADY healed us

When did God bless us? When did God save us? When did God Heal us?

#### The answer is:

On the Cross of Calvary more than 2.000 years ago. God has already blessed, saved, and healed us on the Cross.

And what else do we see in *Ephesians 1:3?* 

#### That God has already blessed us:

With EVERY BLESSING:
With Salvation,
With divine healing,
With material prosperity,
With success, happiness, etc...

#### We can then say the following:

God has already blessed us; God has already blessed us with every blessing; Those BLESSINGS are "kept" in the heavenly places.

It is as if Jesus had placed everything we need on a table.

When someone wants to be saved, Jesus doesn't have to die for them on the Cross again.

He has already PAID for everyone's Salvation.

#### All we have to do is come to Jesus and R E C E I V E it.

There is no need to WAIT. There is no need to CRY. You have to RECEIVE it. Jesus has already paid.

#### It is the same with divine healing.

When someone wants to be healed, Jesus doesn't have to die for us on the Cross again He has already PAID for everyone to be Healed.

#### All we have to do is come to Jesus and R E C E I V E it

There is no need to WAIT.

There is no need to CRY.

You have to RECEIVE it.

Jesus has already paid.

The problem with the majority of Christians is that they ASK for something that is ALREADY theirs and that God has already provided.

### The secret of true faith, the faith that works, is to understand:

- God is not going to heal the sick BECAUSE He has already healed them!
- Those who are ill only have to come to God to RECEIVE their healing.

In the following chapter, those who are ill will learn how to RECEIVE their healing, that is, to pray the prayer of faith which consists of receiving something that God has already provided for them.

### It is through the prayer of faith that those who are ill will receive their healing.

#### 3 – THE PRINCIPLE of SOWING to REAP

One of the biggest Secrets of the Kingdom of God was taught by Jesus and it is written in:

Mark 4:26-29

26 And He said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground;

27 Eand should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how.

28 For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head 29 But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

In heaven and on earth, everything works according to this Law that God has instituted.

### What we want to reap = we have to sow first That which you sow = you will reap

Think of the example of plants and trees that grow as a result of someone sowing seeds in the ground:

- A farmer sows seeds in the ground.
- The seed is hidden, and no one can see it.
- The farmer also doesn't feel anything.
- He gives time for the seed to grow.
- First, the seed grows downwards, creating roots (invisible), but later, you see a blade coming out of the ground (the first sign that the plant exists).
- He gives yet more time for the plant to grow.
- After a while, everything has grown, and the fruit is visible.

Our own children are the result of a man's seed in the womb of his wife.

The seed is sown and the wife becomes pregnant. During the first days, she didn't see or feel anything.

She will only start to see something when the womb starts to grow, showing the first signs of her baby. But only after 9 months will the baby be born.

### The process of divine healing is the same: It is a PROGRESSIVE process:

- The preacher lays his hands upon the person who is ill
- The person who is ill "receives" the seed of divine healing
- When the preacher lays his hands, God places his power
- The person who is ill will "recover progressively" until he is 100% healed = the seed will grow
- It might take a minute, a day, one week, or a month until the total cure is manifested, but it always works.

In the beginning the person who is ill, doesn't see anything, they don't feel anything – because the seed is under the ground so it cannot be seen.

#### If the person who is ill:

- 1) Understands that the seed of healing has already been kept in his heart and that it is growing;
- 2) Doesn't give up during the time it takes for the seed to grow.

**RESULT:** The fruits will come and he will be 100% healed. This is the infallible method of God that always works. And it is with this method that I have been helping thousands and thousands of people.

#### 4 - INSTANT AND PROGRESSIVE HEALING

Most people, including Christians, think that unless they see instant results, they have not been healed. And that way, instead of cooperating with God in the method that God has instituted, they give up and they lose their healing.

There are people who would like to be instantly healed.

Well, so would I. I want to press a button and "ding, dong" – the person would become instantly healed.

Wouldn't it be great if that were the case? If that were the case, I would go to hospitals everywhere, and I would heal everybody.

But that is not how God does things. The normal process for a preacher to help a person who is ill, is as follows:

- The preacher lays his hands upon the person who is ill.
- At the same time he prays the prayer of faith with them.
- The person who is ill "receives" the seed of divine healing.
- The preacher lays his hands and God places the seed of healing.
- The preacher lays his hands, and God places the seed of healing.
- The person who is ill will "recover" until they are 100% well.

#### The normal process is progressive:

It can take a minute, a day, a week, a month, I don't know, but it is the principle of the seed.

The method of God is in everything (including Divine Healing) similar to the process of the growth of a seed:

- We have to sow the seed in the ground.
- The seed is hidden, and no one can see it.
- The farmer doesn't feel anything.
- The seed grows first downwards, creating roots (invisible). Later on, you will be able to see a blade coming out of the ground (the first sign that the plant exists).
- After some time, everything has grown, and the fruit is visible.

### THE NORMAL PROCESS OF DIVINE HEALING ALSO WORKS IN THIS WAY - IT IS A PROGRESSIVE PROCESS.

If however, a person is healed instantly, then it is a MIRACLE and not a healing.

### 5 – JESUS HIMSELF DIDN'T ALWAYS HAVE INSTANT RESULTS

Mark 11:13, 14, 20

13 And seeing from afar a fig tree having leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find something on it ...

14 In response Jesus said to it, "Let no one eat fruit from you ever again."
And His disciples heard it....

20 Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.

# When Jesus cursed the fig tree No changes could be seen! There were no instant results!

The results of this were only seen on the following day when the tree began to dry up - and even then, it was not 100% dry. It had started to wither, but it wasn't totally dry.

The process of it drying up had already begun, but now it was necessary for Jesus to wait patiently until it all dried up by the roots.