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**18. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,*

*19. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. * Luke 4:18-19*

There comes a point in our lives as believers that we mature past our own hurts and pain, to the point we can actually hear others. It is at this point where the Lord can use us to heal the broken hearted. Until our hearts are healed, we will be unable to hear the wounds of others crying out from their hearts. As we look at Luke 4:18 there was a sequence in which the Lord spoke.

First He was anointed to preach the gospel to the poor. Second, he was sent to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives.

When people have wounds in their hearts they are held captive by those wounds. Our spiritual heart has many chambers or rooms in it. It is filled with experiences of our lives.

Good and bad experiences are recorded in these rooms. Many times we can not go forward or break free from negative cycles in our lives until these areas are dealt with.

45. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh. Luke 6:45*

We are constantly speaking what is in our heart. Whether we realize it or not, our speech is telling more of a tale about us. Our actions, the inability to break free from certain bad habits or addictions can be tied to wounds in our heart. Many times we don't hear other peoples wounds because the wounds in our heart are speaking louder than our ability to hear others.

Jesus said He was anointed to preach the good news of the gospel to the poor. We are also anointed to preach the good news of the gospel to the poor. He was anointed to heal the broken hearted. We are also anointed to heal the broken hearted. How?

When you spend time with individuals start to listen to them with your spirit hearing, not just your natural hearing. What do they constantly talk about. A divorce? How they were treated as children? Many times, when people are talking about these topics. They address it , matter-of-factly, as though it is not really bothering them now. But is it. Just listen.

Often-times when people are talking to me, I start listening with my spiritual ears. Then the Lord will show me a picture, sometimes very briefly. Usually it is a scene of an event in the persons life. I ask the person, if what I'm seeing has any meaning to them. They say yes. At that point, I say what the Holy Spirit tells me to say. Most often, it is to see them handing this situation to the Lord. Depending on the instance, they might have to invite Him into this room. Generally by this point, the Lord has gently poured out His spirit on the individual where God, Himself is showing them what to do. I lead them in a prayer of forgiveness to God, to the people that hurt them, to themselves. I just act as a midwife.

There is no shouting, no calling demons to come out. It is the gentle surgery of the Holy Spirit. The

whole process can be over in less than 10 minutes. Yet, a wound that had kept people bound for many years of their life, has been healed.

I also ask the person, to ask the Lord to show them their heart.

18. The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; Eph 1:18

When I ask people to do this, many times they see a pool of water of some kind. Often-times it is stagnant, or dirty, or filled with scary things.

When God began to heal my heart, I asked Him to show it to me. It was pierced like a chic-ka-bob. It was a bloody mutilated mess. For me, He took that heart and replaced it with a new one. But there were still rooms in my heart that He wanted access to that I had not given to Him.

I am going to be transparent with an incident in my life in the hopes that others will be healed by it. I had been molested as a child at the age of 5 by a relative. My mother, said at that time, she noticed a change in my behavior. She even took me to a psychologist, but couldn't find out what happened to cause me to change.

Years went by. I did not remember the incident. It wasn't until I was in my thirties that the Lord began to show me what had happened. The relative who perpetrated the act was dead. There was no real reason for me to come up with this in the natural. But it was affecting my ability to relate to men and people. God wanted to heal me. He began to show me certain attitudes I had that were wrong. At the time He began to show me, I really didn't know what to do about it.

No one else around me knew what to do. This was in the 1990's when we were commanding the devils to all come out. A wound, however, is not a devil. Devils or demons, do guard them though. They build up a wall of pride first, so that we can't even see that we have a wound. I'm fine. No, I don't need prayer there is nothing wrong.

If there is a trait in a person that grates on you, that makes you want to put your hands over your ears when they speak. There's a wound. It comes through the sound waves of their voice straight from their heart. Its crying out. Will you hear me? Help!*

Every time God has had me administer healing to a person's heart, it's been a divine set-up. You can't just rush in, even if you see a person needs the healing. God has to initiate it. He knows when the person is ready to receive. You can't make it happen any sooner. When it's God it is easy. People as a result of God's surgery may burp, cough, sneeze, blow their nose, cry, vomit or use the bathroom. Why? It was a spiritual stronghold in the person's life. Even though it was a wound, spirits attach themselves to it, keeping the person captive. It has to leave the person's body somehow.

So now you can see the sequence. Preach the gospel. Heal their heart. They get set free. Now they can receive healing in their bodies for physical problems, because the wound is no longer blocking it.

This process of healing can continue for a season in an individual's life. As we take time to go before the Lord, He will show things to us. We can go through this process alone with God. Other times God send His servants to help.

In my situation, I had walls in my heart that had to come down. Rooms that had to be opened up to the Lord. Even though I am a public speaker, I had to always be speaking. Everyone always had to hear

what I had to say. It wasn't until the Lord began to show me this little girl, all curled up in the corner of a room. Wearing only panties. Jesus came to that little girl and called her. As she got up and went to Him, she was clothed in a beautiful blue dress. Jesus said, Cherie, I want to hear what you have to say.

Now that Jesus healed that part of my life I'm also now able to listen and help heal others. Jesus always wants to hear what we have to say.

Do you have wounds in your heart? Ask the Lord to show you what He sees when He looks at your heart. See it. Let the Holy Spirit tell you what to do. Give it to Jesus. If you believe you need help. Ask the Lord to send you across the path of one of His servants who has hearing ears and who can walk with you through the process. It can take time, but it doesn't have to. The more time you spend before the Lord in His presence the sooner you will be made whole.

Do you find that you fly off in a rage over the littlest thing? Or, do you do just the opposite, go completely inside yourself? Do you need substances to help you to deal with issue? Only Jesus can help. Most of the time these are directly related to emotional wounds

For too long the body of Christ has been a big open wound. Our leadership has had wounds. The messages they preach and the life they lead are filtered by those wounds. It's time for us as the body of Christ to be pure conduit vessels that the Lord can flow through without mixture. Only when are willing to place our hearts in the hands of the Lord, will healing be able to take place.

I want to encourage you today to seek the face of Jesus. Ask Him to show you what is there in your heart. He has come to heal the broken hearted. All the therapy in the world can't do what Jesus can do. Be real with yourself. Press into God. You will not have to relive your pain, Jesus will come and take it from you.

I pray that the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit overshadows you. That the hand of the Lord, would surgically remove from your heart all the wounds that have kept you captive. In Jesus mighty name. Amen.