I. Introduction
   A. Jesus only healed those who followed Him
      1. Time and place of His choosing (Matt. 12:15)
      2. Healing meeting (Matt. 15:29–32)
         a. On a mountain top
         b. Lasted three days
      3. Multitudes followed Him for three days’ journey (Matt. 19:1–2)
   B. Healing already provided
      1. “Bore our [pains] and carried our [sicknesses]” and “we are healed” (Is. 53:4–5)
      2. Matthew 8:16–17
   C. Why some are not healed: a secret (Deut. 29:29)
      1. Secret things and things that are revealed
      2. The revealed things are for us

II. Common Barriers To Healing
   A. Unbelief (Hebrews 3:12–13)
      1. Unbelief is sin
      2. An unbelieving heart is evil
      3. “Faith cometh . . . by hearing” (Rom. 10:17)
   B. Unforgiveness (Mark 11:25)
      1. Any time you pray
      2. If you have anything against anyone
      3. Not an emotion, but a decision
      4. Enlightened self-interest to forgive because the Father will then forgive you.
   C. Occult involvement (Exodus 23:24–26)
      1. Condition: break all contact with all forms of occult
      2. Promise: complete health, long life and fruitfulness
   D. Effects of a curse—generation after generation (Gal. 3:13–14; 2 Sam. 1:21)
      1. Mental or emotional breakdown
      2. Repeated or chronic sicknesses (especially those without diagnosis or hereditary)
      3. Repeated miscarriages or female problems
      4. Breakdown of marriages and family alienation
      5. Continuing financial insufficiency
         a. Especially where there is sufficient income
         b. Poverty is a curse
      6. “Accident prone”
      7. Suicides or unnatural deaths
   E. Evil spirits (Luke 4:40–41)
      1. Ministering healing can bring release from evil spirits
      2. Two main types of demons
         a. Those which actually cause infirmity (Luke 13:11–16): i.e., asthma,
b. Emotional spirits: i.e., rejection, grief, depression, tension

F. Importance of confession (Hebrews 3:1)
1. You say with your mouth what God’s Word says about you
2. Replace negative confession with positive
   a. Spirit of death; lack of vitality
   b. Invited in by negative confessions: “I wish I were dead,” etc.
   c. Confess Psalm 118:17

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