

Releasing the Healing Ministry of Jesus

- I. **Revelation and power for healing came from Jesus' personal experience with the love of the Father.**
 - A. Example of Jesus healing the man at the Pool of Bethesda (John 5:1-20)—Key verses:
 1. John 5:17-18—The Father is always working; the Son is always working; and healing is our everyday business also.
 2. John 5:19-20, “For the Father loves the Son and shows Him all He does. Yes, and He will show Him even greater works than these so that you will be amazed.”
 - B. Example of India conference team member moved by compassion
- II. **We begin to release healing to others when we ourselves experience the healing love of Jesus in our hearts through the Holy Spirit whom He imparts to us (I John 4:7-21; Matthew 5:43-48).**
 - A. Key verses explaining that encounters of supernatural love are available to all who believe in Jesus—a love that “comes from God” (I John 4:7, 15-16, 19-20).
 - B. There is a love-feast, so to speak, with God that starts with our acceptance of Jesus' forgiveness of our sins (Romans 8:1, 2) and progresses as the Spirit takes us straight to the heart of the Father (Romans 8:14-16).
 - C. It is this internal awareness of the love of Abba (Daddy) that also takes us straight to the healing ministry of Jesus. “We love, because He first loved us” (I John 4:19-20).
 1. It is this love that motivates us to try the impossible even when it makes us feel very vulnerable. “You give them something to eat” (Mark 6:35-38).
 2. “Whoever believes in Me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater works than these...” (John 14:12-14).
 3. This includes loving your enemies and praying for them (Matthew 5:43-48).
 - D. My testimony: Hunger and pain will take you to experiences with God that heal and tenderize your own soul. This is the fuel that takes us to the world around us.
- III. **God loves to rewire us on the inside so He can use us to heal others. Example of the traitor and outcast: Zacchaeus, the tax collector—a man ostracized and excommunicated from his own people but healed by Jesus (Luke 19:1-9)**
 - A. Our own experience of the Father's love in our weakness and sin teaches us how to appropriately heal the world around us.
 - B. Is there a Zacchaeus in your life, your family, your business—a traitor, an outcast—someone who is not so lovely right now (Matthew 25:31-40)?
 - C. In the end, God reduces us to this, “The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love” (Galatians 5:6). The Spirit gives us the right balance of truth and mercy (I John 4:19-21) (Example of Brennan Manning and Larry Mulaney in The Furious Longing of God, pp. 90-94).