## Healing Together: to live is to love



I believe in healing as a core part of the ministry of the church!

- OT: 9 individual healings, 1 apocryphal healing! Jesus:26 individual healings, 19 multiple healings. Apostles: 10 individual healings, 7 multiple healings. Behold I am making all things new: Rev 21v5
- Healing part of God's plan, Healing as well as prayer, medicine and hope, Healing and the spread of early church

#### When healing doesn't happen:

- Conservatives
  - Never mind, it must not be me...
  - Emotional Desert
- Catholics
  - o You must have done something wrong...
  - Emotional Strings
- Charismatics
  - Lets try even harder...
  - Emotional Abuse

Shelly Hundley's story - http://blog.ihop.org/general/ihopu-facultys-shelley-hundley-shares-her-healingtestimony/

#### Lessons from the apostles:

- 2 Cor 4:16-18 "outwardly wasting away"
- 2 Cor 12:7-9 Paul's "thorn in the flesh"
- Phil 2:25-27 Epaphroditis was ill
- 1 Tim 5:23 "frequent illnesses"
- 2 Tim 4:20 Paul "left Trophimus sick in Miletus"

#### The Wounded Healers:

- John Wimber died of cancer
- David Watson died of cancer
- Smith Wigglesworth daughter had polio and heart failure

#### Notes:

Good examples of healing

Bad examples of healing

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#### The Healing 'Cube'

## **Directions**

- Up my relationship with God
- In my relationship with myself
- Out my relationship with others, work, environment

### Tenses

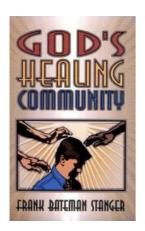
- Past Healing has been made possible
- Present I am being healed every day
- Future I will be healthy one day

# Responsibilities

- God sovereign power
- Me my faith, will power and prayer
- Others use of the gift of healing, the healing community

#### God's sovereign power

- He is Saviour and Healer BECAUSE He is Lord. John Stott
- God is too kind to do us harm, and too wise to make a mistake. Chris Gnanakan



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12 good chapters: nothing on Community till 11!

www.mindandsoul.info/healing - CFH resources, including the full film about the healing community

#### Three things I will do differently:

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