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A NOTE OF CAUTION ABOUT THIS BOOKLET

In the booklet text below, you will find the following statement by the author: "There are lots of good people who have been sick. They have been invalids the greater part of their lives. They died and went home to Heaven. I haven't a doubt about it, but they missed their privileges in Jesus Christ. Sickness is the result of violated law, if not on your part, on the part of your parents."

With all due respect for G. B. Kulp, it seems to me that some of his statements in this booklet are too radical, and not altogether backed by the Bible. For example, his preceding statement seems to be refuted by John 9:2-3 -- "And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him." Again, Jesus said of Lazarus sickness in John 11:4 -- "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby."

Probably millions of times since Lazarus' sickness, death, and resurrection, saints of God have suffered illnesses that were permitted by God in order to bring glory to Himself -- and in none of those cases was their physical demise followed by an immediate resurrection. I believe
the fact is, God DOES often will that his followers suffer this or that bodily affliction, and no amount of faith exercised on their part will deliver them FROM it in this life. Rather, God intends that their faith in Him deliver them THROUGH it, their complete deliverance from all sickness being postponed until the time of their bodily resurrection on the Day of the Lord.

Some holy and good men like G. B. Kulp have been a bit too radical (and therefore unBiblical) in their preaching and writing about God-given health and Divine healing. I fear that there is some of that type of error in this booklet. As I see it, some of the statements in the booklet are too idealistic and not completely realistic -- not in line with physical afflictions that have been suffered, truly in the will of God, by many saints of God across the centuries. Nevertheless, I present the booklet to the reader with the hope that sound reason and sanctified judgment will enable most who read this booklet to ferret out fact from fallacy wherein that is necessary in considering the material of this publication. -- DVM

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01 -- LECTURE

"When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirit with His word, and healed all that were sick: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses" (Matt. 8:16-17).

You all know what the 53rd chapter of Isaiah says, and the passage I have just read is not what Dr. Scott, nor Dean Alford, nor what men say, but what the Holy Ghost gives as His own interpretation of the 53rd chapter of Isaiah.

"Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses," a proof text that healing is in the Atonement just as the forgiveness of sins is in the Atonement, to be received by faith just the same as forgiveness of sins is received by faith.

God made man perfect. God looked on everything that He had made and pronounced it to be good, and when His masterpiece, man, came forth from His hands, He looked on him and pronounced him good. He had perfect wisdom, accompanying a perfect body. He had perfect judgment. He could do what no scientist today could do without reference to the books. Everything that God made passed before this perfect man, from an insect up to the wife that God gave him, and, according to the nature of the insect or the animal, he gave all their names. (Gen. 2:19-20, 23.) Perfect in judgment, perfect in intuition, perfect in his body, he came from the hand of God perfect and thoroughly equipped. There was no sickness. There was no disease until man violated the Divine law. He enjoyed constantly perfect health, lived in the midst of perfect surroundings, with everything that was necessary to his happiness, and, above everything else, he had companionship with God.

Sin was in the universe before it was on this earth. Sin is the violation of Divine law, whether it is in a higher intelligence, an angel, or in a man. It is disobedience to law. Following sin came sickness. The order of nature was disarranged. The very ground was cursed because man
had sinned. Now in the Atonement -- and it began away back there in the council of the Godhead, but was manifested in the first promise that was made, "the seed of the woman shall bruise the head of the serpent" -- in that Atonement is a promise of restoration yet to come to man, that All the works of the devil shall be destroyed through Jesus Christ.

When Israel came out of Egypt, God said to them, "If you will do certain things, if you will keep my ordinances, if you will walk in my ways, if you will keep my commandments, I will put none of these diseases upon thee which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the God that healeth thee." He gave them, guaranteed to them, as long as they were obedient, perfect health. Exodus 15:26 is the proof text and the Bible reference. Health conditioned upon obedience to law. Now, I would like to put law with a great big capital L, and when you read "obedience to God," leave out the word God, and put in the word Law, for the obedience to law is obedience to God.

God never violates His own laws. God never contradicts Himself. When ministers say that a miracle is something contrary to nature, they do not know what they are talking about, God never contradicts Himself, and never crosses His own law.

"If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee." (Ex. 15:26.)

"And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee." (Ex, 23:25.)

Listen! Health is conditioned upon obedience to law. Now, wait a moment! Law is from God, no matter where you find it, whether written in the Bible or in the constitution of my physical nature. God is requiring, as a condition of perfect health, obedience to His law.

Now another thought! Pentecost! Pentecost was followed by restoration to health, The coming of Jesus Christ was accompanied by restoration to health. One of the things that lie said was that the Spirit of the Lord. God was upon Him, not only to "preach the Gospel," but to open blind eyes, The coming of Jesus Christ was accompanied with health to those who heard and obeyed. He saw a man sick of the palsy and said unto him, "I say unto thee, Arise, take up thy bed and walk." He met a deaf man and put His fingers in his ears and lifted His eyes to Heaven, and said, "Be opened," and the deaf man heard. He saw another man. with a withered hand. He said to him, "Stretch out thy hand," and he put it forth and it became whole, even as the other. Now get the thought, that the coming Of Jesus was accompanied by health to them that were obedient. And Pentecost was accompanied by restoration to health, bodily, health.

You remember the apostles Peter and John. They went up to the temple. They saw a man sitting there who had been impotent from the time of his birth. They looked into his eyes and said unto him: "Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." This followed Pentecost. They reached out and took the man by his hands, and his ankle bones were strengthened, and he leaped and walked and praised God. Now, mark you, not 'only the coming of Jesus, but the coming of the Holy Ghost, was accompanied by restoration to health.
Another thought: They brought out the sick into the streets, and the shadow of Peter fell on them, and they were restored. All in the will of God. All in the plan of God for His people, just as available today as it was after Pentecost. The privileges of the child of God have not dwindled away. The fault lies in the lack of instruction on the part of the church, and the lack of faith on the part of those who hear.

Listen, we rend in the 8th chapter of Acts of a revival in Samaria. Philip was down there, and the apostles came and, under the preaching of Philip, the unclean spirits were cast out, the palsied were restored to health and strength, and the lame were made to walk.

The Acts of the Apostles -- now wait a moment -- every other book in the Bible closes, every other book in the Bible has an ending. The Acts of the Apostles have no ending. Why? Because, God wants them to continue in the church today. And the reason they are not continued is because the faith once delivered to the saints was lost during the Dark Ages, and is not yet accepted fully by the church. God intended these things to be continued. He intended devils to be cast out today, the sick to be restored, the lame to walk, the deaf to hear.

Peter saw a man by the name of Aeneas, palsied eight years. Peter said to him: "Aeneas. Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed." And immediately he arose and walked off. Say, beloved, Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever, just as able and just as willing today. Just such things may be wrought in the church today, and the only thing that prevents it is the lack of faith on the part of the people of God. Listen, Mark 16:17-18 says, "These signs shall follow, them that believe. In my name shall they cast out devils: they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not harm them; they shall lay hands on the, sick, and they shall recover." It is just as good today as when it was written. It is the promise of God to the church in all ages. I don't believe that it takes faith on the part of the sick person. Not according to that Word. "They that believe shall lay hands on the sick" -- whether the sick believe or not -- "and the sick shall recover." Do not go to reading something into the Word that is not there. Take it just as God gives it to you. The folks that believe shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

There are lots of good people who have been sick. They have been invalids the greater part of their lives. They died and went home to Heaven. I haven't a doubt about it, but they missed their privileges in Jesus Christ. Sickness is the result of violated law, if not on your part, on the part of your parents. That is one thing I preach everywhere I go. I have a sound body from head to foot. If it was not for the effects of a sunstroke that I received when a Union soldier, there would not be anything the matter with me. My father was seventeen years old when converted. My mother was sixteen years old when converted. They were both converted at old Green St. M. E. Church in the city of Trenton, N. J., under Rev. Charles Pitman. By and by that boy and girl, converted at that altar, got married, and they did not get married to frustrate the law of God in their own bodies, or their marriage relation, but when they were married they wanted a child, and I was their first boy, and they welcomed me to this country and they did not try to kill me while coming here. I came here with a perfect body. Thank God for it! I sympathize with people born with bodies already cursed. I was born into this world, not damned into it. I thank God for an old-fashioned Methodist father and mother, who considered it their privilege to mind the Lord in their bodies. My father
went to Heaven in his eighty-first year, and my mother lives with me in my home in her eighty-ninth year, ripe for Heaven.

All sickness is a result of violation of law, either by you or by the act of your ancestors. How often in the Gospels does it say of the work of Jesus, "that it might be fulfilled." So in the Acts of the Apostles. These sick were healed. Why? "That it might be fulfilled." Away back yonder, a thousand years before Jesus Christ came, the old evangelical prophet said, "He bare our sicknesses."

Wait a moment. Jesus went along one day and saw a woman oppressed by the devil, "bound, lo, these eighteen years." He said, "This woman, being a daughter of Abraham," has a right to freedom. Well, if she had a right to freedom, being a child of Abraham, haven't we, being children of Abraham by faith, a right to freedom according to the Atonement of Jesus Christ? Claim your freedom from every attack of Satan upon your body, by virtue of the atoning Blood of Jesus. Sometime ago I was attacked by the enemy. My wife and daughter Sadie were absent. I went upstairs, knelt before God, and told Him I was sick; reminded Him He had said these signs shall follow them that believe, they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. "Lord, I believe; I am sick. I lay hands on my sick body; heal me in Jesus' name," and He did it. Glory to His all-conquering name! My daughter, in the absence of her parents, has done the same thing, and God graciously healed her.

Oh, hallelujah! I do get blessed when I preach this truth. It makes the devil mad, and, no doubt, he will attack me before I leave the grounds, but glory to God, I have the victory! Oh, let us believe God! As I quoted yesterday: "If our faith were but more simple, we should take Him at His word." I get disgusted at the idea of such a thing as six feet of dust getting down on his knees before Almighty God with, "Lord, help me to believe Thee!" God forgive us! It's an impeachment of God's veracity. Today He is just as He was at the time of the apostles when those acts were wrought. "These signs shall follow them that believe."

I believe in temporal blessings just as I believe in spiritual blessings. Here stands a man who never tells anybody his personal needs, I tell God and He fulfills His promises. A lady said to my wife, "Mrs. Kulp, I want you to make me one promise," and my wife said, "Well, what is it? "Oh, no," she replied, "I want you to promise me before I tell you."

They were very dear Christian friends, and my wife said, "All right, Sister R____, I will." "Well," she said, "promise me if you ever need anything you will let me know." My wife came home that day and said, Papa, I made Mrs. R____ a promise today, and I do not feel good over it. I asked what it was and she told me, and then said, "I am going back tomorrow and recall that promise."

She did so, and Sister R____ said, "Sister Kulp, why?" and wife said, "It is not trusting my Father. I'll tell Him all my needs." She could but assent. We know God is faithful, trials may come, but He will never fail us. Provision is made in the Atonement for all our needs, and Father has never gone back on us once. Praise the Lord, O my soul! I want to testify to the veracity and faithfulness of God. He keeps His word every time. The trouble with us is we do not trust Him.
The Bible is a book for all time. Its promises are for every age. "These signs shall follow them that believe," clear down until when time shall be no more.

James Buckley, in the "Christian Advocate," says: "An Episcopal minister said, 'No man can go into the pulpit and be up to date unless he has first read the Sunday morning paper.'" Thank God, I find the old Book of books, all I need. It is up to date, and I am proving it to be so every day.

Wait a moment. Maybe you will not be so pleased before I get through. Someone perhaps asks why there is so much sickness among the people of God. Unbelief and disobedience. Health is maintained by minding God in these things. Thousands of God's own children are sick today through disobedience. Now wait a moment! And all disobedience is sin.

"Now, Brother Kulp, you are making the majority of us sinners." I am not. You are disobeying through ignorance. Under the old law sins of ignorance required atonement. Every sin of ignorance you commit today is covered by the Blood. Willful sins require repentance. A great many of the people of God today are sick in their bodies through violation of the law and disobedience to God. Have faith in God, comply with God's Word, and you may have victory in soul and body. Take the promises of God, beloved. Nature's laws are God's laws. To transgress the law is to sin. The body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. If we mind Him He quickens us. Let us get the thought. The Holy Ghost quickeneth your mortal bodies, makes life to abound in your mortal bodies. I am glad the Holy Ghost put it that way. Some preachers stand up and say that is after the resurrection, but I mean Your mortal body, kept in health and strength by the indwelling of the Holy Ghost, keeping you obedient to His laws, to His checks. I am minding the Checks just as well as the inspirations of the Spirit. You have no business to attempt to do more than you are able. There comes a place when God will check you, call a halt, will remind you that you are violating His law. Your body belongs to Him. your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. He will keep it in repair if you mind Him. "If thou wilt diligently hearken... do... keep... I will put none of these diseases upon thee."

How do we violate the laws of God today? One way is by eating! Eating! Some years ago friends would say, "Come, you must go get something to eat, you have been preaching -- you are working hard," and I would go and eat, and God talked to me about it, and I said, "All right, Lord." Now when I am through preaching at night, many places where I am being entertained, the hostess says, "Now, Brother Kulp what will you have, before you retire?" and I answer, "Nothing," I retire, sleep all night, and feel good, soul and body.

People violate the laws of God in their body by the way they eat, and by what they eat. I do not eat anything that injures me; that is the end of it. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever you do, do all to the glory of God." I will tell you an instance. God talked to me, and showed me that using coffee was not helping me. We used it very weak, in fact it was little more than a warm drink. I quit using it at home, but when away from home would take a cup of coffee. One time on the train, my head pained me, and I put my head back on the seat and said, "Lord, what is this, why is it?" and the thought came, perhaps it was that coffee. I at once prayed, "Lord, show me if it was the coffee; let me know, and, Lord, a good way to let me know would be by taking this pain away immediately, and if it goes, Lord, I will never drink another drop as long as I live," and
immediately the pain went. I was perfectly free from all pain, and I drink coffee nowhere. Now I am not condemning people who do, there are many good people who drink it, but I am through, I must mind God, obey Him, in order to keep the victory.

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." Violating the laws of God along the line of eating, drinking and sleeping. You say they are foolish things. No, they are not. Breathe clear to the bottom of the lungs. Why, when I breathe I feel it clear down here. Some people breathe only about two inches down. I breathe way down here. That is the way God intended me to breathe. Practice deep breathing, practice it every day, get all the fresh air you can and begin to be well, to obey God in your body. That is natural law. You retain the air long enough for it to get to the blood and the lungs. I tell you what to do. When the cold weather comes again, and your feet are cold, you get them warm by deep and rapid breathing. Yet people put themselves in stuffy little rooms and shut up the windows, and the women go about with corsets on, have a wasp-like waist, and then got down and ask God to heal them.

Another thing as a law of health. Listen, let me illustrate it. A gentleman and a lady went down to a river, to a lumber-yard on the river bank. The lumber was piled up on the wharf, fresh lumber; it was fragrant, but the muddy river that flowed by smelled foul. "Smell that filthy river!" "No. I thank you, I prefer smelling this fragrant pine." Say, I prefer thinking beautiful things. I believe very little in auto suggestion, yet I can prove to you scientifically there is something in it. I tell you, "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Think on the Atonement, on the Lord Jesus Christ. on the indwelling Holy Ghost and give God the glory. Think God's thoughts after Him, and let Him mold thee. Amen!

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02 -- OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW OF GOD LENGTHENS LIFE

"My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee." (Prov. 3:1-2) The Word of God for it. I will give you another. "Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." (Ex. 20:12) Long life, length of days, length of years, conditioned upon obedience. Not what some doctor says, not what some Doctor of Divinity says, not what some creed says, but what God says.

Listen again! The Word of God: "With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation." (Ps. 91:16) "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season." (Job 5:26)

[Once again, I think that the assertions in the following paragraph fly in the face of John 9:2-3 -- "And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him." -- DVM]

Disease in our own bodies may generally be traced to some violation of the law of God. I will prove it to you. "Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labor, and fellow-soldier... was
sick nigh unto death." Why was he sick? Because of his self-sacrificing efforts for me, Paul. He had overworked. His affection led him to extra efforts in behalf of Paul, therefore was he sick. "But God had mercy on him," and healed him. (Phil. 2:25-30)

Now, disease is not necessary to death. Disease is not necessary to death. Someone says, "What do you mean by that?" Why some folks say if we never get sick, we will never die. I remember sitting in a Conference, saw a preacher there, an old man. He had lived for God for years, his head was covered with a crown of glory. He knew he was drawing near to the end. Listen to what he says: "I am just about ripe, and I am waiting for the Father to put forth His hand and pluck the fruit." Do you get the thought? You do not necessarily have to be sick in order to die. Watch a clock when it is running down. Note the pendulum, slower, slower. slower, STOP! That is all.

I was walking the streets one day. The best old man -- I was his pastor, I remember him yet -- met me on the street and he said: "Brother Kulp, I never expect to see death." Well, he didn't. Where is he today? In Heaven. Didn't he see death? No. Well, how did he get there? Went to sleep, just went to sleep, and woke up in Heaven. Before he went to Heaven I went to see him.

"Brother A____, how are you?" "All right. Peaceful as a babe." His hair was white, his face was white, it had some of the shine of glory on it already. Went to see him again. "Brother A____, how are you?" "All right." After awhile some others went to had gone, never saw death, just fell asleep. His wife, Who survived him some years, said to me, "I want to go as papa went," and she did; took to her bed, no pain, no suffering, nurse employed -- she went to look at her one hour and found her gone -- just fell see him. "Brother A____, how are you?" He wasn't there. He asleep, and was with God.

You do not have to be sick in order to die. Just when your work is done and the fruit is ripe. Say, here is an apple, and it falls from the tree two months before it ought to. What is the matter? There is a worm in the core. That is a diseased apple. But here is one. There it swings in the wind, the sun paints it, the rain waters it all summer. Now it is ripe, and it is full grown, and it is full of juice, and it just falls. It is ripe. Well, you keep minding God, and by and by when Jesus comes He will see you are ripe and put out His hand and take you Up to the garner.

Obedience to God is a Preventative of Ill Health. Now, I suppose the devil will whip some of you. I can't help it. I am going to give you what is God's truth. If our heavenly Father is more willing to give good gifts unto us than we are willing to give them to our children, when we belong to Him, and you and I are His children, don't you suppose He is mindful of us? Don't you suppose He is careful of us? Don't you suppose He Will cheek us by the Holy Spirit? Listen to what was said: "O thou man of God, there is death in the pot." (2 Kings 4:40) God checks us. The Holy Spirit will check us. We get cheeks on what we ought not to eat, and we do not mind God. We go ahead, we want to please our palate, and we suffer. We get checks on the length of time we ought to eat, and the average American eats -- well, about ten minutes, some about five. Instead of sitting down and masticating your food, chewing it -- that is what your teeth are for -- instead of taking time to mix the food with saliva, taking about thirty minutes to eat, we eat in about five or ten minutes. The average American swallows his meals down in about five minutes or ten, and then wonders why he does not feel good. We ought to take thirty minutes for our meals -- and you
students can do it. Ample time is given, and when food is properly masticated, digest on, is aided, and the body benefited accordingly.

You say Bible salvation does not refer to the body. The prayer of the apostles was that God would "preserve you, soul and body." Now God is mindful of my body. I am a temple of the Holy Ghost, and I have a right to be careful of my body. God is careful of it. When God has made provision in the Atonement for our bodies, we have no right to ignore that provision. Lord, help us! Mind the checks of the Holy Spirit.

Another thought! God's will does not lay upon an obedient and surrendered child needless pain and sickness. I will repeat it, I want you to get it. God's will does not lay upon an obedient and surrendered child needless pain and sickness. God has made provision in the Atonement for every one of His children, and as by faith we may have forgiveness of sins, we are taught in the Word of God we may have healing from sickness. "According to thy faith be it done unto thee." "As thou hast believed, so be it done." "Believest thou that I am able to do this?" Jesus talking to the paralytics and invalids of His day. What is the matter today? We do not believe God. He says in His Word to us, "Believest thou that I am able to do this?" "These signs shall follow them that believe." The Apostles proved it. They proved it in their ministry. We may prove it today. I said to you yesterday that the Acts of the Apostles did not close. They are not closed yet.

I know a lady of undoubted piety, Mrs. Wesley C____, who said to my wife: "My sister died with a cancer in her breast, and the other morning while we were lying in bed I threw my hands over this way (illustrating), and found a cancer in my breast the size of a walnut. I want you and Brother Kulp to come to my house and pray and anoint me. I do not want to be anointed in the presence of people who do not believe God." On Tuesday we were there, read the Word, what God said in reference to healing, then prayed and anointed her. She said, "What must I do now?" "Just go on believing God." She did, never felt her symptoms, never "just wondered if He would," and one day she found the cancer gone. God honored her faith. The next Sunday she testified in the church and God blessed the saints as she told the power of Jesus to heal today.

There is a measure of responsibility resting on preachers because they do not preach healing in the Atonement. Over in Frankfort, Ind., last summer, at a camp-meeting, a little girl played the organ. She took sick. That girl was in extreme pain, now lying on a cot, then rising up again. Some one said to me: "Brother Kulp, this sister is very sick; she will have to be anointed." Brother Pratt, another brother and I anointed her and prayed for her. She rose up from the cot, came over on the platform and played the organ, and testified that God had healed her. Bishop Haven said: "Preach a whole Gospel, a whole Savior, a whole Heaven, a whole Hell."

I'll tell you another instance: I know a family, the children will get sick, the mother will say: "Shall we send for a doctor?" "No, send for the pastor." I go, lay my hands on that child and it gets up healed. Some morning one of those children will come up to the front of the altar and say: "I want to be anointed." God bless you, they have been taught! The only folks I feel like censuring are the preachers because they do not preach the whole Gospel.

I said, God's will does not lay upon an obedient and surrendered child needless pain and sickness. Somebody says: "O Brother Kulp, all sickness is in the will of God." Then why don't you
suffer in the will of God? Then why do you send for a doctor and fight the will of God? If all sickness is in the will of God, then you fight the will of God when you send for a doctor, or send for anybody to pray for you. Sickness is a sequence of violated law. That is it, cause and effect, whether it is violation intentionally or ignorantly, whether on your part or the part of your antecedents. Now, God's will is expressed in the Atonement. "With His stripes we are healed." Now don't go any further than the Word, but try and keep step with God as He teaches us in His Word. Trust in God is a preservative of health. Trust prevents worry. When you worry you do not trust, and when you trust you quit worrying. Worry kills people. You cannot study when you are worrying. Trust is a preservative of health. It is worry that kills. Worry is fatal to the proper acting of the organs of the body. Will you please get that? Worrying is fatal to the proper acting of the organs of the body. Trust is a preservative of health, and when you trust God you will cease all your worrying. You are in the hands of God. When Bulstrode Whitlock was on his way to Sweden as representative of the Commonwealth, he put up at an inn, and could not sleep, His servant said, "Master, what is the matter?" He replied, "I am burdened for England." Then came the question, "Master, did God care for this world before you came into it?" "Yes." "Will He take care of it when you are gone?" "Yes." "Can't you trust Him to take care of it while you are in it?" Whitlock went to sleep.

If you are a child of God, doing your duty, you do not have to worry about anything. My wife says I am a born optimist, but the Holy Ghost made me an optimist. I often quote Riley:

"The inner side of every cloud is bright and shining;  
I therefore turn my clouds about,  
And always wear them inside out,  
To show the lining."

Trust prevents hurry. "He that believeth shall not make haste." What do you do when you make haste? You are in a hurry. Whenever you get in a hurry, look for brimstone. The devil is about somewhere and wants to kill you. "Oh, I would like to get out in the work; I am just sitting here at school and I am just fretting and chafing." Remember Moses was forty and God sent him to school forty years more. Moses knew that he was called to deliver Israel when he was forty years old. He goes out one day and sees an Egyptian smite an Israelite, knocks him down and kills him. I suppose he thought, "I am deliverer of Israel, and I must begin." But God says: "Moses, your blood is too hot; I can not trust you. You go off to the backside of the desert in Arabia." God could not use him yet.

Some of you boys have been here about three months, and you want to get out into the work. If you trust God, He will get you out when He wants you there. Paul knew of about fifteen hundred years of experience of the past. sat at the feet of Gamaliel, was instructed in all the learning of the Hebrews, was struck down on the way to Damascus and had a wonderful conversion, received the Holy Ghost in Damascus. and yet God said to him: "Now go off to Arabia."

How long have you been at the Bible School? Three months? You are in too great a hurry. When people have an incubator, and they put eggs into it, and expect to have chickens, and they turn on too much heat to hurry the thing up, they kill the whole brood. Do you get the thought? When God wants you out, He will get you out, and nobody can keep you from the place where
God wants you. Jesus Christ took thirty years' preparation for three years' ministry. I do believe in preparation. When you are trusting God you will not get in such a hurry. "Thou didst keep Moses forty years, and if Thou dost want me forty years, Amen! And if Thou dost want me here three years, as Thou didst Paul in Arabia, I will stay." "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

I have told you about Bishop Phillips Brooks. He was coming up the street one day, saw a little fellow trying to pull a doorbell and couldn't. Bishop Brooks (I can see him now) sympathized with the little fellow, walked up the steps, reached up and pulled the doorbell. Then the little boy said, "Now let's run." Well, that is the way some people do when they pray. Pull the prayer bell, and then run. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Oh, Hallelujah! I know what that means! Glory to God! I have gone upstairs to my room, and gotten down on my knees, and the devil brought up everything that ought to be done, letters to write, calls to make, and I couldn't get my mind concentrated, and i said: "Devil, I will stay here until I hear from Heaven." I was on my knees a half hour before I could get in the spirit of prayer. But how God did quiet my soul, and bless me! I wouldn't get over it for days. William Bramwell said that whenever he had to drive himself to prayer, he always had the juiciest times before he got through.

A man who trusts in God will keep his eyes on God. We have a business man in Kalamazoo who says every man ought to carry with him constantly the Book of Proverbs. I believe the child of God ought to have the whole Bible, because it manifests the will of God for us under all possible circumstances, it is true, what John Wesley says: "A man is immortal until his work is done" -- if, if he minds God. A man is immortal until his work is done if he minds God.

Summerfield died at twenty-seven. I do not know anything about the circumstances. I do not know whether God wanted him in Heaven or not just at that time. I do know Wesley traveled thousands of miles, preached thousands of sermons, and departed at a good age. "With long life will I satisfy him."

"Brother Kulp, what have you been doing?" Listen! I did what I promised God I would not do any more. I have been in camp-meetings and preached three times a day, and twenty-one times during one meeting, and in addition I have given talks to preachers, and if God had not been wonderfully preserving and caring for me, I would not be here any more. I promised God I would not do that any more, and I will not. I am going to mind God in my body. "They that are after the things of the Spirit do mind the things of the Spirit."

Good common sense saves from fanaticism. God will not save you from the sequences of willful violation of the law. Foolishness is sin. "Can you prove that?" The Bible says "the thought of foolishness is sin." Now, if the thought of foolishness is sin, then foolishness is sin. Now, it is a foolish thing for a man to try to do two days' work in one, or for one man to try to do the work of two men. Now, without any instruction from the Word of God, good common sense tells us that. I know the world is dying all around us. I know the need of the Gospel. But I know that we can accomplish more for God when we obey the Word of God than when we disobey it. "Neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy time?" (Eccl. 7:17.) God wants you to live, and foolishness will shorten your life, and you do it when you run against the checks of the Holy Ghost.
H. M. Stanley, the man sent out by the "New York Herald" to find Livingstone, says that one-half to two-thirds of the lives of the missionaries in Africa are sacrificed because the missionaries violate the laws of health. It was an intelligent man, a man who kept his eyes open, who came back with that testimony. Carelessly violate the laws of health, and you will suffer, though you are a child of God. You may take your life in your hands, and go to Africa, and disregard the laws of health, and though you are a child of God, you will suffer for it. God will let a missionary die if he continually violates the laws of God.

Dr. Arthur Pierson endorsed that statement. He knew. He lost a daughter in India. She went to India and died and went to Heaven. Now, what is the thought? Obey God and live. Question of obedience. What was it back there in the garden? Obey God. What was once truth is always truth. What was it way back there in the wilderness? "If you will hearken, if you will obey, I will put none of these diseases upon you." What was it away back there? "I will take sickness away from the midst of you." What was it when Jesus came? "Believest thou that I am able to do this? According to your faith be it unto you." What was it after Pentecost? "Silver and gold have I none: but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk."

God bless you. the Acts of the Apostles are not closed! God wants us to honor Him by our faith. The devil hates healing meetings. God blesses healing meetings. I have seen people arise from the altar with restored bodies and shout the victory over it before the oil ever touched them. God saw their faith and obedience.

Get your eyes on God. Some people get their eyes on the preacher. You are making a great mistake. Preachers are only instruments in God's hands. Get your eyes on God. Is there anything too hard for God? When God has made provision in the Atonement for our bodies, should we not be strong in God?

I crave for every one of you what the Apostles prayed. "I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

03 -- LECTURE

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress; my God; in Him will I trust. Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler."

Shields and bucklers are for defense; I believe for the defense of your body as well as for the defense of your spiritual nature.

"From the noisome pestilence" -- pestilence! Well, hallelujah! I wonder who is believing this! Glory to God! Why, it means it. Well, I say glory! Glory be to Heaven's King! I am believing it. Glory to Jesus it is true; He can keep the whole Bible School.
"Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction" -- destruction --
do you believe it? I do not have to talk; it talks for itself. "Nor for the destruction that wasteth at
noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come
nigh thee." It shall not come nigh thee. Do you believe it? Glory to Jesus! "Only with thine eyes
shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked."

"Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation." Because -- listen! "Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy
habitation." Glory to God! What more do you want than that? By faith you can build a pavilion
around you that the devil cannot penetrate. God can keep yon if you will let Him.

"There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

"For He shall give His angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways.

"They shall bear thee up in their hands lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

"Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample
under thy feet.

"Because lie hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high,
because he hath known my name.

"He shall call upon me, and I will answer him:" -- I will answer him -- it is the Almighty
will of God.

"I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him, and honor him. "With long life will I
satisfy him; and shew him my salvation."

Well, bless God! If you want anything better than that, I do not know where you are going
to get it.

The subject of this lecture is Healing in the Atonement. Brother Erickson came to my room
with a man who was in pain, has been sick for some time, and we prayed and the pain left his body
immediately, and he went away testifying to the fact. Now God does it. The great danger is in folks
getting their eyes on the means. Do not do it. Get your eyes on God. Keep your eyes on the Word of
God. In an old Bible of mine, that I have carried thirty years or more in my ministry, I have written
at the top of many of the pages, "Back of the Word is God." I want you to get that thought. Back of
the Word is God!

1 John 3:8: "The Son of God (Jesus) was manifested, that He might destroy the works of
the devil." Rom. 5:12: "Sin entered into the world, and death by sin, and so death passed upon all
men, for that all have sinned." In the Word of God sin and disease and death are closely
associated. All the way through the Word, from the first book in the Bible, Genesis, down to the
last book in the Bible, Revelation, they are closely associated together, sin, disease and death.
Now, listen! Jesus said to one: "Go and sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee." (John 5:14) What is the implication? What you already had is the result of sin, and if you sin against the greater light which you now have, greater consequences will ensue.

Another time Jesus said: "Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee." (Matt. 9:2) He was speaking to a man sick of the palsy. And if you will notice, all through the ministry of Jesus, He seems to associate sin and disease together. Now, He came to undo the works that had been wrought by the devil, and

He is going to do it, and He gave Satan a foretaste of what He is going to do, while He was yet walking the earth. You remember the demons once said to Him: "Art thou come hither to torment us before the time?" They knew their time was set. They recognized Him as the Conqueror. "Art thou come hither to torment us before the time?" And the demons trembled in His presence. They knew that He had power to carry out the program advertised four thousand years before He came. I am not going outside of the Word of God. If I go outside of it, it is only to get some illustrations to prove that the promises work today. We have a living Christ. We are not doing as Rome does. We have not the bone of some old dead saint, about which we say, "Touch that, and you will get well." Praise God! We have a living Christ! He is the same today!

Now, I believe thoroughly in healing in the Atonement. Here is the great proof: (Matt. 8:16-17): "When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." You can not controvert it. "Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." (2 Pet. 1:21) "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." (2 Tim. 3:16) And here is a part of these Scriptures. He healed all manner of diseases that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet Esaias, saying: "He (Jesus Christ) bare our sicknesses." It is the interpretation of the Holy Ghost of the 53rd chapter of Isaiah.

Now, let us go a little further: Jesus said: "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you." (John 16:7) "Even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him; but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." (John 14:17) "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" (1 Cor. 3:16) Ye, my redeemed children, ye, shall be temples of the Holy Ghost. He will keep His temple in repair if you will let Him. As long as He abides and your faith takes hold of the atonement made by Jesus Christ, He will not only heal you, but He will keep you well. The 91st Psalm teaches that thing exactly. Read it again; read it on your knees; read it and get blessed. The indwelling of the Holy Ghost will keep you well.

Wait a moment! You see that temple that Solomon built, "beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth," adorned as no other building on earth ever was adorned? When it was dedicated, the glory of the Lord filled the house; the fire came down from Heaven and consumed the sacrifice. God said, "I am well pleased with it, I am well pleased with the offerings, I am well pleased with the sacrifices, I am well pleased with the temple you have erected for me." Listen! By and by the
temple was neglected, the priests went out into the fields because the people did not bring in their offerings, and when they went out in the fields, the fire went out on the altar, the sacrifices were not there, the temple was neglected, and when it was neglected it went into ruin. As long as the Holy Ghost abides in you, and you keep faithful and "follow on to know the Lord," and claim the fulfillment of the promise, the indwelling of the Holy Ghost will keep your body in health and strength.

"You can't prove it." I can prove it. I will prove it by that passage in Rom. 8:11: "But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you." The Spirit dwelling in you. Not anointings, not baptisms, but by the Spirit which dwelleth in you. Ye are temples of the Holy Ghost.

A woman had passed away, gone to the glory world. They had had the service in the church. Her husband was walking arm in arm with one of the children. Passing out of the entrance of the church, six men carrying the casket in which was left the tabernacle, they shook the casket somewhat. The husband spoke: "Men be very careful; that was a temple of the Holy Ghost.

God bless you, you can realize that thing in your life! If a child of God. you are a temple of the Holy Ghost. and the indwelling Holy Ghost will quickly touch the very sources, or fountains of life, energize you and keep you in Divine health, if you trust Him to do it. Let us get hold of this Scripture and prove it. "Behold, I give unto you power... over all the power of the enemy." (Luke 10:19) I went to lay my hands on an insane woman, and I said: "Now, Lord, give us a passage; I want something to base my faith on." Jacob said: "Twenty years ago Lord, you said in this place." (Gen. 32:9-12) Now I wanted a promise. I said: "Lord, give us a passage." The word that came was: "I give unto you power over all the power of the enemy." He meant it. "Greater is He that is in you. than he that is in the world." (1 John 4:4) He that is in the world is the prince of this world.

He will come to you, but he wilt not find anything in you. The Blood cleanses, the Holy Ghost abides, and you are the victor. I wish I could get it burned in this morning. You can have the victory Yon can shout the victory when you go into the battle.

I remember when I was a boy, going down into battle. The officer said. "Now, boys, yell!" We yelled at the tops of our voices, encouraging each other and putting consternation into the ranks of the enemy.

Do you know that in the history of Rome they tell of a "Hallelujah Legion;" composed of Christians, who shouted as they went, into conflicts? There isn't anything that will put the devil, to flight like a good shout of hallelujah!" If the devil does attack you, shout because you know you are going to have a victory. "And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." (1 John 5:4) And it will overcome the other members of that trinity, the flesh and the devil.

Now wait a moment. The brazen serpent was a type of Christ.
"Can yon prove it?" Yes, Jesus said it Himself, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up." (John 3:14) What was it? Do you see those people lying all along the ground? They have been bitten by serpents. What is the result? The blood is running a fiery course through their veins, and everywhere they ate dying. Moses said: "What shall I do?" God answers: "Make a brazen serpent and every man that looks upon it shall be healed." Spiritual healing? No, bodily healing, it was a restoration to health. If diseases can be banished by looking at a type, what ought to be done when looking at Jesus?

Do you get that argument? Jesus says: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up." Was the type greater than the Christ? Was the shadow greater than the substance?

Healing of the body came by looking at a thing that only typified Christ. If they could do that 1500 years before Calvary, what ought we to do nineteen centuries afterward? What ought we to do nineteen centuries afterward, with a Christ that proved Himself conqueror over death, went down to the grave, saw old Death sitting on his throne of skulls, took the scepter from his hand, chained death and the grave to his chariot wheels -- leading captivity captive?

Aaron was a type of Christ. Aaron was the high priest. Jesus is our High Priest. I do not need anybody to represent me, any man, any pope, any priest, to represent me at the court of Heaven. I have a High Priest. I believe what Wesley sings:

"Jesus, our great High Priest,
Hath full atonement made:
Ye weary spirits, rest;
Ye mournful souls, be glad."

Aaron was a type of Jesus Christ. Wait a moment. Plague is abroad. What does it do? Affects the body. Result? People are dying. What does Moses do? "Aaron, you go out there and swing your censer, and God will stay the plague." If Aaron could take the censer, and run in the midst of dying men and women, and stay the plague, what can our great High Priest do? Physical healing! Do you get it? The ground was dotted with the dying, and Aaron went out there and the plague was stayed. We have a great High Priest; He hath full atonement made. In that atonement is healing for our bodies.

"Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." (Rom. 10:17) Study the Word, and your faith will be enkindled, and He will give you victory. Keep the thought that the purpose of this lecture is that it was physical healing they received. The serpent was a type of Christ; the high priest was a type of Christ. Physical healing, healing for bodies. Physical healing through Jesus Christ. When Jesus died, He redeemed the whole man. soul and body. Prove it? Yes. Gal. 3:13: "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us." What did violation of the law bring? Violation of law brought sickness. What did Christ redeem us from? Prom the consequences of violated law. "As thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee."

Christmas Evans says, "A command goes forth: 'The soul that sinneth, it shall die.'" Justice says, "Let them die; let the race die." Mercy stands and pleads, and says: "Let the race live." God
must be true to its word. Man must die. But out through the darkness comes a Figure walking, and He Says: "A body hast thou prepared me." He says: "Lord, spare them, and let me die in their stead." Justice say: "When will you die? When will you pay the price?" "Four thousand years hence I will pay the price." Justice sheathes his sword and the race lives on. The earth was furrowed to make room for the graves of our dead, but when the whole heart was sick, and the head faint, land the whole body was full of wounds and bruises and putrefying sores, and the race was sinking and throwing up its hands to be engulfed in the waters for the last time, then came Jesus, and He walked up Golgotha, and on the summit of that mountain paid the price! And through His Blood we are set free! Oh, hallelujah!

The trouble with Christian people today is that not one tenth of them are claiming their privileges in Jesus Christ. I want to repeat a thought. As through faith in the Holy Spirit we may have healing, so through faith in the indwelling Holy Spirit we may continue in health. You say that is strong doctrine. But here it is in Rom. 8:11: "But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."

Listen! Our Christ hath all power. I like what a quaint old writer says, that "when Jesus went out there to the burying ground where Lazarus was buried, He said, 'Lazarus, come forth,' because, if He had not, every dead man in the place would have come forth. I believe that. [I doubt that. Very possibly, others named "Lazarus" had already died, and one or more of them might have been buried near-by. I am sure that Christ can call a name that millions have, and still fixate that voice, and its results, upon one individual. Indeed, he could have simply said, "Come forth," and resurrected only that one particular Lazarus. Probably He spoke the name, as much for those living, who were listening, as for the Lazarus whom He then resurrected. -- DVM] And Lazarus came. He was obedient. And that same voice will re-animate these bodies. I do not know whether I lain going to die or not. I have a burial lot, and I told my wife I wondered if I had not made a mistake, whether I had not better put that money in missions. Yes, sir, we are to keep looking for the coming of Jesus. Forty dollars wasted! Buying a prospective hole in the ground, when Jesus Christ may come and I may not need it at all.

Now I want you to get the truth, too. All truth is beautiful to me. "Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond?" Think of it! Jesus Christ appealed to the people. This woman is a daughter of Abraham. Way back there God made a covenant with Abraham. in that covenant way back there is everything that is in that Bible.

You say: "It is not so, Brother Kulp." To the descendants of Abraham He said: "I will take sickness away from the midst of you." "I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians." Ought not this woman then to go free? She has been bound, lo, these eighteen years. She has been oppressed by the devil. The devil and sickness together! What ought we to have, being children of God? What ought we to have, redeemed by the Blood of Jesus? What are our rights in the Blood of Christ? Amanda Smith says: "I will have everything there is in the will for me if I have to break the will." She is right.
Alexander said once to a petitioner, "Go to my treasurer, he will help you." He went and asked a large sum. The treasurer told the king, and asked, "What shall I do?" The king replied, "Give it to him; he honors me by asking largely."

God help us! You cannot impoverish God! He delights to enrich you. He delights to bless you. You cannot ask too much. Whatever there is in the will of God, whatever is promised in that Book, you have a right to, and you can go and ask for it. Amen!

"Well, then," some one says, "Brother Kulp, is it a sin to be sick?" No, I have known good people who have been sick. "What is it, Brother Kulp?" Weak faith, I believe. Two or three years ago I received a letter from one of the Bible School students asking me, "Brother Kulp, is there healing in the Atonement?"

I have been lecturing here about six years now. I was lecturing then on theology, and came to the Atonement. I was praying, and I said: "Now the question will come to me if there is healing in the Atonement, isn't it a sin to be sick?" And I prayed and I read the Word, and remembered what Jesus said: "As thou hast believed, so be it unto you." "Believeth thou that I am able to do this?" Jesus said: "According to your faith." When the man came to Jesus and cried: "Lord, I believe, help thou my unbelief," he did not mean unbelief, skepticism, as we understand it.

He meant, "Lord, I do believe; help me to believe more." I prayed over it and thought about it. It came the time for me to give that lecture. That morning I said: "Sister West, pray," and she began to talk to God and speak about our privileges in the Atonement, and asked, "Lord, why are so many of Thy children afflicted?" and then she said: "Lord, it is lack of faith." God said the very thing to Sister West in her prayer that He said to me before I went down to my lecture.

Is it a sin to be sick? No. Many good people have been and are sick, but I believe if they claimed their privileges they might be up and glorifying God. "Do you not go and pray for people and they do not get well?" Yes, I do, and I do not know what is between those souls and God. But I believe God. It may be just weak faith. A sister came to my room to be anointed, and she said: "Brother Kulp, it's a lack of faith. I believe what is in God's Word on healing, but I do not know that I can claim it." She had it exactly. "All things are possible to him that believeth." Is that right? It is just as plain to me as can be.

Listen! I was out at Napoleon, was there nine nights, preached thirteen times in nine days, got into Indianapolis nearly eight hours behind time owing to the big snow storm the 21st of February, had to plow my way along snowy streets and stay at a hotel over night. I saw I was in danger of catching cold. I sat down and wrote to my wife, and said, "I want you to pray for me." I got a letter back and this is what she said: "God put it on my heart before your letter came to pray for your body." Amen! He can talk with folks everywhere. I walk the streets sometimes, and get warmed up and blessed in my soul, and I just think: "Well somebody is praying for me." Isn't it beautiful to live a life like that? Brother Nelson, over in Indianapolis, said: "I believe the devil hates you." Well, I believe he does. Jesus is my Divine Master. Praise God. you can walk down the pike and see ten million demons coming, and shout the victory! Say, I belong to an omnipotent God! I am just so glad the way He keeps me. Glory to Jesus!
In New York state is a sanitarium that has been there many years. Here is the testimony of
their physician: "I never knew one case of disease which could not be traced to some disobedience
of the laws of Almighty God." The testimony of pious men says the same thing. But thank God, by
the Word of God, which is the foundation of our faith, we may be delivered, and we may have
victory in our bodies. Glory be to Christ! Now, the question is, will you have it? Will you claim
it? God can energize and quicken you by the power of the Holy Ghost.

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04 -- THE WORD OF GOD AND HEALTH

Since the publication of the lectures to the students of the Bible School on Divine Health. I
have received many letters from north, south, east and west. all showing such a prayerful interest.
and asking for prayers in their behalf, and also revealing such a lack of knowledge of the plain
teaching of God's Word on the part of some, that I am led to add some further thoughts that I
believe will be helpful to the suffering ones who are seeking to know the mind of God.

John Wesley, that wonderful expounder of the Scriptures, said the fifth chapter of James
was the entire, materia medica of the early Church, and the only dependence was Divine healing
until faith failed and the scriptural ministry of healing was lost: "Is any sick among you? let him
call for the elders of the church; and let them anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the
prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins
they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another that ye may be healed. The effectual,
fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we
are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain, and it rained not on the earth by the space of
three years and six months. And he prayed again and the heaven gave rain and the earth brought
forth her fruit."

Dr. J. S. Martin, health officer in a Western city, says, "The Bible is the best textbook on
sanitation, on the cause and treatment of disease and how to maintain constantly good health." He
testifies that he finds in the Bible 275 verses which speak of contagious diseases and how to treat
them: 108 verses on the disposal of filth; 57 verses on quarantine; 16 verses on gluttony and
disease resulting from it, with their penalties; licentious uncleanness, 27 verses; defilement and
how to treat it, 123 verses; ablutions or washings, 65 verses; purifications, 60 verses, and rest
enjoined, 39 verses. He further declares, "I find 285 verses in the Old Testament and 240 in the
New relating to disease, sickness and their causes, treatment and prevention." He is reported as
saying that "God never created a direct law of man's nature that would necessarily produce
sickness under any circumstances in life."

Here we have testimony from a student of the Word and from a professional man that
corroborates the position assumed in these published lectures, that all sickness is the result of sin
somewhere. [This is a very, very strong statement, and, as I see it, can only be true if one says that
all sickness is the result of the sin of Adam and Eve! Many thousands of God's saints across the
centuries have suffered various sicknesses, completely in the will of God, for His glory. I believe
that the inference in the preceding statement in Kulp's booklet is mistaken, unless reference is made
to the sin of Adam and Eve. -- DVM]
God made provision for the health of His children and in the New Testament He gives us the best for His children -- healing in the atonement. Dr. Adam Clarke says the watchword for every one and forever is "According to your faith be it unto you." [But Adam Clarke himself died of Cholera -- and I believe it was probably in the will of God. -- DVM] To the Word of God every time and all the time. God means just exactly what He says, and as we believe and practice the word, we will have victory, soul and body.

"Back to the Bible" should be the motto of every child of God. He is pledged to heal every one of His people where He finds faith, and as He did in the early days of the Church, so He will do today. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever. Amen!

["Back to the Bible" -- I believe -- demands a more balanced approach to this subject than was put forth by the author of this booklet, G. B. Kulp. He was a great man of God, but I feel that he fell into some error concerning God-given health and Divine Healing. -- DVM]

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