

Jesus' Passion to Heal

I imagine that many of you have, by now, seen Mel Gibson's movie on the Passion of Christ. In that context, the word "passion" means suffering. You may have heard a sermon or two about that during this Lenten season. Usually, such a sermon centers on Jesus' suffering in order to take away our sins. But have you ever heard a sermon on how Jesus suffered to free us from our sicknesses? This is a key theme in the Gospels. Take, for example, the Gospel of Matthew.

When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick.

This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah: "He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases" (Mt. 8:16-17).

The purpose of Jesus' dying was more than dying to forgive our sin, in addition, he died to free us from illnesses and our sufferings. Do people realize that Jesus had a pas-sion to heal the sick? Do you hear that preached? Have you ever considered how Jesus risked his life to heal the sick by healing on the Sabbath? When he did not have to do it? Since people no longer are killed for breaking the Sabbath, it's hard for us to imagine what it must have been like when Jesus spoke to a woman who had been bent over for 18 years — and then, in plain view, healed her (Lk. 13:10-17) so that she could straighten up. Jesus' enemies were looking for some reason to trap him, and one of their interpretations of the Law was that you could not heal on the Sabbath. What Jesus easily could have done was to ask her to wait until the next day. That's what the irate synagogue official claimed the people should do: "There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath" (Lk. 13:14b). But, instead, Jesus publicly

by Francis MacNutt

confronted the issue, then healed her in front of the entire congregation — freed her so that she could stand, upright and erect, after 18 bent-over years.



Jesus not only was faced with a heated religious argument with his church leader; he actually was throwing a challenge into his face. He was running a risk of death for breaking the Sabbath. In Matthew's Gospel we read that Jesus healed a man's withered hand on the Sabbath, at which point "the Pharisees went out and began to plot against him, discussing how to destroy him" (Mt. 12:14).

These were not just prejudiced religious officials; they were loyal and dedicated to the Law, as they understood it. Their Scriptures described how their heroes had died rather than break the Law.

Take, for example, the story about the seven brothers in 2 Maccabees 7. All seven underwent horrible tortures and, finally, death rather than eat pork. Their mother encouraged them to face their martyrdom courageously. The first brother, for example, was whipped and scourged. Then he told the Greek king he was prepared to face death rather than break the laws of his ancestors. The king was furious and ordered that the first

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Your spiritual and nancial support, your prayers and book purchases are really appreciated by this ministry! God's blessings are on this ministry because of each and every one of you sho continue to be supportive of the work this ministry has been called to do!

Every effort put forth id directed towards being faithful and wise stewards of the blessings God has sent to us!

We are truly grateful and humbled!

-Merle Jenkins

Director of Administration/Finance

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brother have his tongue torn out, his head scalped and his limbs cut off. When he was completely helpless, he was fried alive in an enormous pan. All the while, his mother and brothers looked on.¹ If we think Mel Gibson's movie is violent, consider this gruesome picture that shows how devoted the Jews were to devoutly keeping the law.

I simply quote this to show how fierce a devotion to the Law the Jewish officials had. Their loyalty to the Law was strong and courageous, and they, themselves, were ready to enforce it with the death penalty. Similarly, Jesus was ready to risk his own death in order to change that understanding of the Law and heal the sick on the Sabbath. Truly, Jesus had a passion to heal the sick. Like the charge of the Light Brigade, Jesus was ready to head into the valley of death. Would you heal someone in public when it meant risking your neck?

Why? Because, as he said, "I do what I see the Father doing." Clearly, Jesus saw his Father bringing life and healing to the sick every day. As Jesus said, "*The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath*" (Mk. 2:27). To Jesus, healing was a life and death issue. He was zealous to let people know what kind of a God his Abba was: "*I desire mercy, not sacrifice*" (Mt. 9:13b).

For us, the question is do we take healing as seriously as he did? Are we as passionate and compassionate as Jesus was – and is?

The healing ministry is intimately connected with the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. To quote the opening of the Mel Gibson film, "*by his stripes we are healed*" (Is. 53:5).

(Footnotes)

¹ 2 Maccabees 7:1-6. Two books of Maccabees are in the Catholic list of inspired scriptures and can be found in the Protestant Apocrypha. These books were written less than two centuries before Jesus' birth.

Healing News

Francis' Newest Book

Please be praying for Francis as he is putting the final touches on his newest book—due at the publishers by June 15th. It should be published in a years time.

Correction

The photograph that was printed in our March/April 2004 issue was from the School of Healing Prayer Level III, October 2003, and not from the School of Healing Prayer Level I in January 2004. The corrected photograph is on page four.

Plaistow, New Hampshire

Rev. Mark Pearson and his wife, Dr. Mary Pearson, are looking for a leader to join their staff and to work full time at their healing center. This person must have teaching abilities, organizational skills, and gifts of healing. They are also looking for another family practice physician, a medical assistant and a medical office administrator.

For further information contact:

New Creation Healing Center at (603) 382-0273.

A Glimpse from the Past



Where you might least expect to find Francis—Center Stage (in 1947).

When the Radcliffe and Harvard players joined in the production of "Love in a Village," a revived 18th Century opera, guess who played the role of Hodge, the country bumpkin. According to one review, "Francis MacNutt's admirable character sketch . . . aroused the audience to quite unacademic uproariousness." Oh, to have been there.

School of Healing Prayer® — Getting Up and Running

by Ted and Carol Ward
Toronto, Canada

One morning in June 2001, when Francis brought his breakfast over to our table and asked if he could join us, we didn't think any of us had any idea of how God intended to use that conversation or what He had in store for us and over 240 lovely people. During the course of the conversation, Francis casually asked us if we had thought about running the School of Healing Prayer® (SHP®) here in Toronto. No, actually, we hadn't; we were far too deeply involved in being Alpha Regional Advisors. However, we said we would think about it, and pray about it, and almost before we realized what was happening, the School of Healing Prayer® in Toronto was birthed with 55 registrants for Level 1.

Francis, in an article in the May/June 2002 issue of "The Healing Line", eloquently provides two answers to the question "why should I take a course in healing prayer?": (1) because we need to "avoid mistakes", and (2) most importantly, so that we "might be better able to help people".

in the power of the Holy Spirit, calling for excellence in execution. Only the best will do. Pray for the vision that God Himself has for the work you are contemplating.

Now for the practicalities. Consider the three "P's" — Prayer, Planning, Participation — and three elements to your plan: 1) start up actions; 2) operational details, including how many levels you might run (one, two or three); 3) followup — what comes next for the School and its ongoing flow of graduates.

This process is very important. As Dr Robert Schuller often says, "If you fail to plan, you plan to fail".

If you have already bathed this project in prayer, and are you can begin to cast your vision before your pastor and a prayerfully assembled team of like-minded followers of Jesus for confirmation and support — the leadership group. Active clergy support and their participation for spiritual oversight and accountability is essential. Select a user-friendly venue — your own church if it is available and easily accessible by public transit or car. Discern whether this school is just for your own congregation or for the broader Christian community; call on the vision you and your

leadership team have received. Look over the program materials, consult with others who have successfully run the School or similar courses such as "Alpha", and work out a plan.

Having decided on the basic details of leadership, time, place and fees (if any), then communicate theses plans by designing an informative brochure, a poster, church bulletin inserts, and by

advertising to the Christian community (if you are being directed in this way) and networking by personal contact, e-mail or telephone with potentially interested individuals. Clearly set out the start-and-end times for the School sessions and stick with them; for example, 6:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

The structure and conduct of the school sessions are important and may include praise and worship, scripture,

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*Christian Healing Ministries presents the graduates of the School of Healing Prayer Level I from January, 2004.
Jacksonville, Florida. (Photograph—Courtesy Michael Van Hoosier)*

For us, there are two key aspects involved in starting and running a School of Healing Prayer®, the spiritual dimension and the practical aspects.

In the spiritual realm one needs to sense the call of the Holy Spirit to this ministry. This calls for a lot of prayer, a recognition that this is not *my* project but God's, modeled for us and called for by Jesus Himself, and total and enthusiastic commitment to the enterprise. It is important to recognize that this is a work done with the love of Jesus

From the Emerging Leaders in Healing—February '04



Photographs—Courtesy of Michael Van Hoosier

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prayer and witnessing. Choose music that is both lively, singable and worshipful. Use good CD's such as the Stoneleigh (Kingsway, U.K.) series in the absence of a competent musician or group. The worship time is very important in opening up participants to the teaching and healing work of Jesus through the Holy Spirit and the love of the Father. Be welcoming and provide refreshments as well as a book table. Teaching manuals supplied through Christian Healing Ministries, plus a schedule of dates for each session and good name badges are essential to each participant. It is important to stress the expectation that each person wishing to receive a certificate attend most if not all sessions. People should know that attendance is being noted.

Teaching is provided by the SHP® videos available from CHM but may be augmented by discussion of the issues. Active demonstrations and instruction in prayer ministry are offered following the teaching. Participants break up into small prayerfully predetermined groups of six or eight

for discussion and/or active prayer ministry, or in two's or three's, depending on the lesson assignment set out in the manual. Leadership team members are available to assist each group. This is when healings actually occur. The evening ends on time with prayer affirming the Holy Spirit's work, cleansing, protection and blessing.

These are ideas which we have found to work. Much more can be said, however, about each stage of a well-functioning and productive School of Healing Prayer.

We are grateful to Francis and Judith for putting this wonderful challenge before us. We have been blessed beyond our wildest expectations as we have seen God's people healed and sent out to bring the healing love and power of Jesus to His hurting people. We pray God will inspire you and guide you as you consider this most wonderful and exciting work. If we can be of help, you may wish to contact us through our website www.christianhealingintoronto.ca (Christian Healing In Toronto).

Conferences and Speaking Engagements

Jacksonville, Florida—Airport Holiday Inn

May 3–7, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Susan Stanford–Rue and Rev. Mike Evans: **Emerging Leaders in Healing.** See our ad on pages eight and nine for more information or visit our website at: www.christianhealingmin.org.

Rutland, Vermont—Holiday Inn

June 23–26, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Russ Parker: *Annual Fishnet Conference.*
Contact: fishnet@sover.net.

Ashland, Ohio—Ashland Theological Seminary

August 4–7, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Charles Kraft, Steve Seamonds, Terry Wardle and Don Williams: *National Conference on Inner Healing.* Contact: llawson1@ashland.edu.

Jacksonville, Florida—Airport Holiday Inn

September 20–24, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Susan Stanford–Rue and Don Williams: **Emerging Leaders in Healing.** See our ad on pages eight and nine for more information or visit our website at: www.christianhealingmin.org.

Cromwell, Connecticut—Radisson Hotel

October 1–3, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Don Williams: *Fishnet Conference.*
Contact: fishnet@sover.net.

Vail, Colorado—Vail Manor Conference

October 8–10, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt with Sister Jeanne Hill: **Annual Ecumenical Weekend of Renewal.** For more information contact Paul or Sally Johnston at: Christiana Lodge (970) 476–5641 or email: chrlodge@vail.net.

Elm, New York—Elm Bible College

November 2, 2004

Speakers: Francis and Judith MacNutt. For more information call David Edwards at (585) 582–1247.

For any other conference information please contact Nancy Kelley by email; nak@christianhealingmin.org.

Francis and Judith MacNutt Training Center

The next course offered through the *Francis and Judith MacNutt Training Center* is the School of Healing Prayer® Level III, June 8–11, 2004. The School of Healing Prayer® Level III was created to address issues that very experienced prayer ministers may encounter, such as abuse, addictions, homosexuality and deliverance. Level III should be studied after SHP™ Levels I and II since much of what it teaches refers back to the lessons taught in those levels.

Each level taught on the CHM campus includes Francis and Judith MacNutt as featured speakers, as well as evening prayer sessions assisted by CHM volunteer prayer ministers. The cost of the school is \$325.00 per person. Each student is responsible for his/her lodgings, transportation and meals in addition to the price of the school. If you are interested in attending the school or have any questions, contact Nancy Kelley: (904) 765-3332, ext. 23, or nak@christianhealingmin.org.

SCHOOL OF HEALING PRAYER® FOR THE 2004 YEAR

- ❖ SHP™ Level I January 20–23
- ❖ SHP™ Level II April 20–23
- ❖ SHP™ Level III June 8–11
- ❖ SHP™ Level I July 19–23
- ❖ SHP™ Level II September 14–17
- ❖ SHP™ Level III November 9–12
- ❖ Each student is responsible for his/her lodging, transportation and meals in addition to the above price of \$325.00.

Prayer Ministry Opportunities

Below is a list of the prayer ministry opportunities available at Christian Healing Ministries, Inc. Please contact the CHM office at (904) 765-3332 concerning any questions you might have or to make an appointment. Since it is necessary to occasionally cancel ministry programs, please confirm the scheduled ministry even when appointments are not required.

PRAYER SCHEDULE AT CHRISTIAN HEALING MINISTRIES

- Prayer Ministry, Monday through Friday 9:00 AM–4:00 PM [Appointment required.]
- Tuesday Evening Prayer Ministry 6:00 PM [No appointment required.]
- Thursday Afternoon Prayer Ministry 1:30 PM [No appointment required.]
(On Tuesday and Thursday be sure to call first to verify there are no cancellations.)
- Generational Eucharist 2nd Tues./monthly at 6:00 PM [No appointment required.]

Special Monthly Prayer Ministry Opportunity

Day of Healing Prayer (1 day) [Call for appointment.]

(An additional three days of prayer ministry may be available for those coming from out of town.)

Scheduled Dates for 2004

January 12	February 9	March 8	April 5	May 10	June 14
July 12	August 9	October 11	November 15	December 6	

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Taking Healing to the Next Generation

An Advanced Seminar for Pastors and Christian Leaders

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Francis and Judith MacNutt

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Theologian & Author of 10 books

Reverend Mike Evans (March & May, only)
Pastor and Author

Susan Stanford-Rue, Ph.D.
Christian Mental Health Consultant
Lecturer & Author

Seminar Dates for 2004

February 2-6, 2004

March 1-5, 2004

May 3-7, 2004

September 20-24, 2004

SEMINAR TOPICS INCLUDE

Scriptural & Theological Basis for Healing
The Need for the Power of the Holy Spirit
How to Pray for Physical, Emotional and Spiritual Healing
A Realistic Approach to Deliverance
Developing a Healing Ministry in Your Church
Healing the Divisions Among Christians

Seminar Site

The Emerging Leaders in Healing Seminar will be held at the convenient Airport Holiday Inn in Jacksonville, Florida. Rooms have been made available for attendees at a special discounted rate of \$65 per night. To obtain this special rate, please be sure to indicate you are attending the Emerging Leaders in Healing Seminar. The Airport Holiday Inn provides courtesy airport shuttle service on a daily, 24-hour basis upon request.

Cost of Seminar

The Seminar begins Monday afternoon and concludes Friday at noon. The cost of the Seminar is \$395 for individuals, \$550 for married couples and \$250 per person in a group of three or more. Meals are not included.

Please register early if possible, since space may be limited. Be sure to select which Seminar you will be attending.

Cancellations made two weeks prior to the registered Seminar date will be subject to a \$25.00 service charge. After this date, no refunds can be made.

Hotel Reservations

Attendees must make their own hotel reservations directly with the Airport Holiday Inn in Jacksonville, FL. For reservations, please call: 800-465-4329 or 904-741-4404. You can also make your room reservations online: www.holiday-inn.com/jax/i95airport.

REGISTRATION

SELECT the date you wish to attend:

☐ May 3-7, 2004

☐ September 20-24, 2004

REGISTER by any of the following:

FAX: (904) 765-4224

WEB SITE: christianhealingmin.org

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438 West 67 Street
Jacksonville FL 32208

For more information or to register by telephone, contact: Tina Schinneller at (904) 765-3332, ext.17 or tms@christianhealingmin.org.

REGISTRATION COSTS

\$395.00 per person, \$550.00 for couple, or \$250.00 per person in a group of three or more.

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A Praise Report from a Prison Hospice

(The name of the prisoner has been changed to protect his privacy.)

Praised are You
Adonai our God,
who rules the uni-
verse, fashioning
the human body in
wisdom, creating
openings, arteries,
glands, and or-
gans, marvelous in
structure, intricate
in design. Should
but one of them
fail to function by
being blocked or
opened, it would
be impossible to
exist. Praised are
You Adonai,
healer of all flesh,
sustaining our
bodies in won-
drous ways.

by Rev. Keith Knauf

Chaplain at the California Medical Facility

Vacaville, California

There were many things they didn't teach us in my seminary. Personal prayer was one of those things. Another was death and dying.

I have had the honor of working, the past eight years, as a hospice chaplain in the prison hospice at the California Medical Facility. I minister to inmate patients who are suffering from terminal illnesses and have a prognosis of six months or less to live. John, currently one of our patients, is suffering from metastatic colon cancer. The cancer is causing him to experience great pain, discomfort and embarrassment; even so, he also has a strong faith in God. John's greatest challenge of faith began about three weeks ago. His lower colon became impacted. Pain and discomfort reached their highest levels, requiring more morphine. All the medical efforts brought no relief. His abdomen swelled and the pain levels became excruciating. John's face was contorted with pain. The medical staff were convinced he was in the end stage of his illness.

John and I prayed for the blockage to be removed. The blockage was finally removed and John experienced comfort and relief.

Seminary training does not prepare ministers for such visceral experiences. God, however, does not limit our care to the higher ethereal and spiritual levels; he also cares for us on the most base levels of our existence.

I think the ancients had a good working balance between the physical and the spiritual. An ancient Hebrew morning prayer of blessing pointed up God's care for our basic human functions:

Praised are You Adonai our God, who rules the universe, fashioning the human body in wisdom, creating openings, arteries, glands, and organs, marvelous in structure, intricate in design. Should but one of them fail to function by being blocked or opened, it would be impossible to exist. Praised are You Adonai, healer of all flesh, sustaining our bodies in wondrous ways.

I gave John a copy of this prayer. He thought the prayer was written just for him. Through John's experience, God has taught me what they didn't teach in Seminary—that the sacred and the secular are one and the same. Everything is sacred.

Praise the Lord and Give Thanks

See what He has done...

- ❖ From Billy Kelly, a member of the Scottish Council on Deliverance who attended the Emerging Leaders in Healing Conference in March: "I am still reflecting on the wonderful blessings I received from my time in Jacksonville. I learned so much."
- ❖ From Brenda: "Thank you for a wonderful day of prayer, March 8th. I saw clear evidence of the hand of the Lord at work. Before going I'd had severe depression and night terrors. Now, the depression is totally gone and the night terrors have greatly diminished."
- ❖ From Virginia: "Elizabeth was near death with liver failure and very obese when I gave her name to CHM for intercessory prayer. What happened was so remarkable -- a miracle. When I gave her name, the doctors had given up on her. She has gone from being extremely obese (100 pounds of fluid having been drawn from her body) to wearing a size 2 or 4. Secondly, she has been given a clean bill of health. She had come so close to death the doctors had thought it was the end for her. Now, she is functioning beautifully. Elizabeth is a wonderful violinist and precious in her walk of faith. We're praising God. It's so wonderful, really remarkable, how our Lord has healed her."
- ❖ From Daryl: "I have received so much healing and ministry by coming to CHM for prayer, including womb-related healing. I want to thank you so much for all the inner healing prayers, the generational healing services, and all that you are doing at CHM. I have been a recipient of a great amount of healing and am very blessed."
- ❖ From Hugh: "You have been praying for me to overcome depression. God has been filling—with Himself and His love—the big hole I had in the middle of me that the doctors called depression and I have learned to recognize as hardness of heart, from which I have repented. Now I am free and happy and full of joy in His presence. Thank you for your prayers and for continuing to pray."

From Unnamed Individuals by Mail or Email

- ❖ "After having attended your 3-day prayer ministry, I have had much inner healing and am on my way to being fully healed, I believe, of FMS."
- ❖ "I went to your ministry for the first time a few weeks ago. My past had been full of neglect, abuse, and torment. I had attempted suicide 5 times in the past. When two of your prayer ministers prayed, I just began praising God. That evening, for the first time, I was able to run and skip down my hallway. I was laughing and laughing. Praise God for your willingness for him to use your hands. I have been back since and am expecting more. Praise His Holy Name."
- ❖ "The most amazing thing . . . I sent in a prayer request for a young man who has been using drugs, cigarettes and alcohol since he was 9 years old. (He now is 24.) There has been miracle upon miracle. Today he has been free of alcohol, drugs and cigarettes for 10 days. His entire life has changed ^ sleep habits, trying to eat healthily, and actively seeking holiness. His eyes are alive with light, his personality is vibrant, he has a wonderful sense of humor, he communes with God continuously, he calls himself 'free'."

And

- ❖ "Friends of mine suffered a miscarriage very late in their first pregnancy (January of 2001). Since later that spring, they had been trying to conceive but to no avail. In August of 2003, when I visited CHM, I added their names to the prayer list for conception. This Saturday, April 3, 2004, I'm going to their baby shower. The baby is due in May. Praise God. If you check out the calculations, they conceived within days/weeks of the date their names were added to CHM's prayer list."

"One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him ^ and he was a Samaritan" (Luke 17:15).

CHM's Featured Items

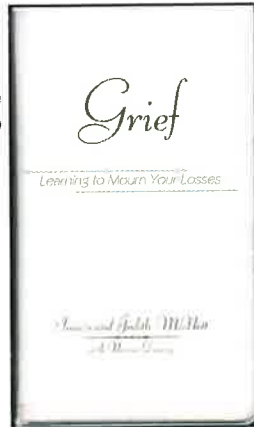
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The Warrior's Heart

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by Harry R. Jackson Jr.

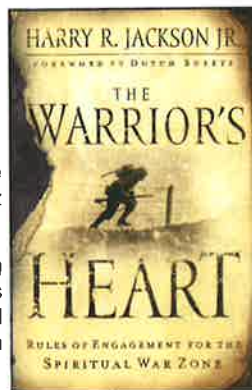
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The Warrior's Heart explains how the ongoing clash between the forces of Satan and the forces of God affects you every day—in the geopolitical arena, in family crises, even in conflicts within your own soul.

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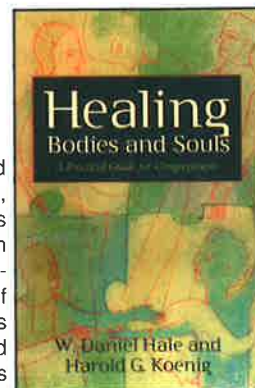


Healing Bodies and Souls

A Practical guide for Congregations

by W. Daniel Hale and Harold G. Koenig, M.D.

"This book is a godsend. Dan Hale and Harold Koenig, noted national leaders in health care, have given organized religion a book that reports moving stories of human illness and need, then describes how visionary leaders and congregations of caring people created new models of health ministry. Each chapter and model deals with a common serious illness by telling a detailed story followed by Dr. Koenig's medical analysis and recommendations for treatment and congregational ministries. We now have a book that will guide the church into its needed leadership in the national health crusade. I pray this book will get into all the right hands and hearts!"



—Francis MacNutt

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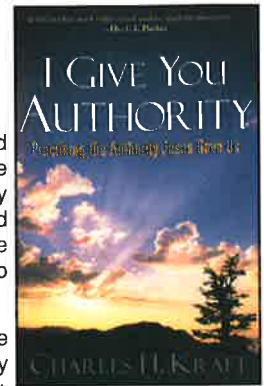
Practicing the Authority Jesus Gave Us

by Dr. Charles H. Kraft

"When Jesus came to earth, it was as if he carried a credit card from his Father with God's name at the top," writes Kraft. "As one under authority yet exercising the authority of God, Jesus did the most amazing thing after his resurrection: he passed on the authority in which he worked to his followers."

This book shows how to properly exercise the authority we have been given through the Holy Spirit. When we awaken to our spiritual authority, every aspect of our lives will be transformed and freed from the oppressive but limited power of Satan. It is simply a matter of recognizing and using the great gift of authority we have from God in Christ, and opening ourselves to the power of the Holy Spirit.

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Ruthless Trust

The Ragamuffin's Path to God

by Brennan Manning

In his sequel to *The Ragamuffin Gospel*, bestselling Christian author Brennan Manning shows us how true and radical trust in God can transform our lives.

"Brennan Manning has led one of the richest and fullest lives of anyone I know. This wise book expresses the theme of that life—a rock-bottom trust Brennan has learned through pain and joy, through ecstasy and tragedy."

—Philip Yancey

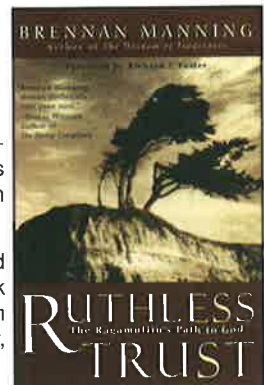
"Brennan Manning throws firebrands into your soul and makes you wonder why you are not living, stripped, standing in the arctic 'Sonshine' of God's love. Watch out! You just might catch fire as you read here."

—Dallas Willard

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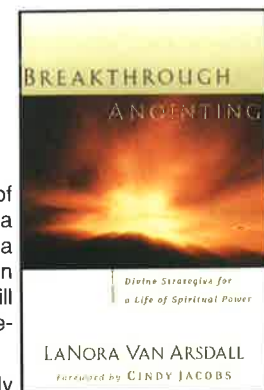
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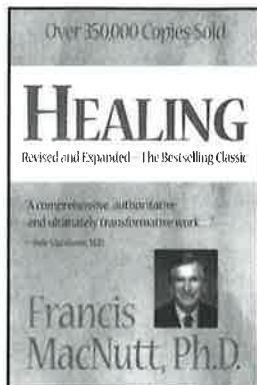
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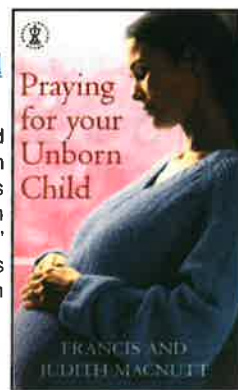


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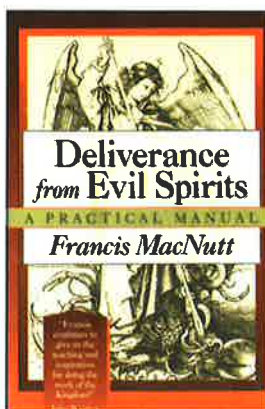


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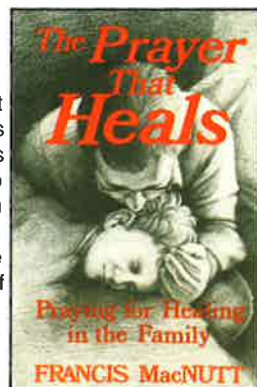
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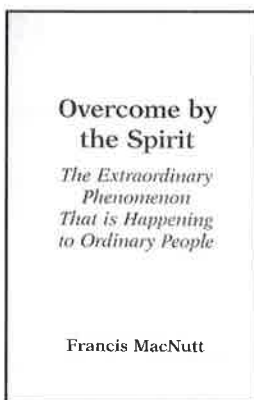


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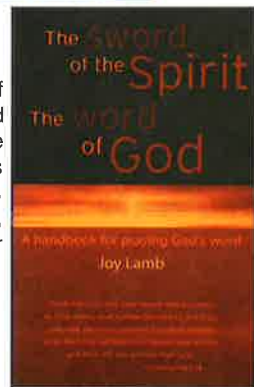
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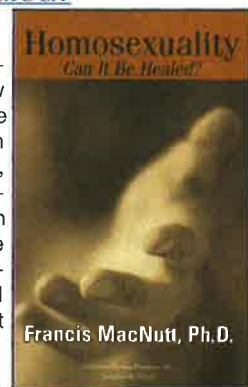


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