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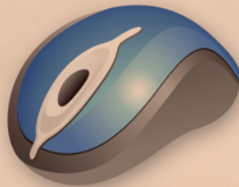
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Spiritual Dryness

A CALL TO GO DEEPER

by Francis MacNutt

If you are discouraged in your faith, this is meant to encourage you. You need to know that there is a kind of discouragement that God allows so that you can grow in intimacy with Him. In fact, without it, you will never really grow up as a Christian.

What I want to share with you comes from traditional Christian spirituality and hundreds of years of experience; yet most Christians today haven't ever heard of this wisdom, distilled from generations of dedicated followers of Christ. I think it would help greatly if all Christians knew what our ancestors in the Faith ("the communion of saints") have learned. So here goes.

These times of discouragement are described by such authors as St. John of the Cross, as Dark Nights. They are referred to as dark, not because they are evil, but because during them, we can't see or understand what's going on. We feel spiritually lost. The path is obscure and we have to abandon ourselves to naked faith in order to follow God's leading.

If we have been recently converted and are really trying to lead a decent Christian life, we become confused. Why

do I feel so miserable and lost now, when I felt so wonderful about my Christian walk a year ago? I'm going backwards. Then we are tempted to give up or tone down our Christian commitment. It's not enjoyable any more. That's why it's so important for us to understand what is really happening. God is calling us to come deeper into His life. The problem is that just when we are about to move forward in faith, we feel like we are going backward, so we quit.

Traditional spiritual wisdom teaches us that this discouragement is normal. What happens is that we seek God for selfish reasons, because we get an emotional high out of religious services, or out of prayer, or when we are gloriously baptized in the Holy Spirit. Therefore, if we are going to grow, God has to wean us from using God in our search for spiritual pleasure. He wants us to seek Him and love Him for Himself alone and not just what He can give us. We must learn to love God and our fellow human beings, even when it leads to suffering and sacrifice.

Without God's transforming power, we tend to seek our own pleasure, whether through food, sex or entertainment. Then when we have a conversion experience, we may think we are totally renewed, but are

blind to the fact that our pleasure-seeking is just not as gross or obvious as it used to be. It has simply been elevated to another level; it is still mixed with excessive self-seeking.

In the beginning, most of us feel the joy of conversion or of the Baptism of the Spirit (or of the "Toronto Blessing"); in these we feel great joy and exhilaration. These glorious experiences are like falling in love, a honeymoon experience in which God woos and attracts us. Many evangelistic and healing services emphasize happy feelings: people shout and are filled with incredible joy. And this is good - very good, in fact.

But it is only the beginning. The intense emotional high eventually drops down to an everyday level. The first time you see someone fall over, overcome by the power of the Spirit, you are amazed. But by the time you see the thousandth, you may feel (though you probably won't say it out loud), "So, what's new?"

The danger now is that you may simply seek a greater high in some other church, or through some other ministry. You are tempted to associate the anointing

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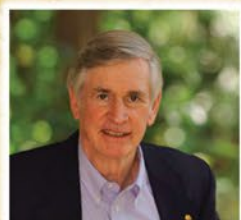


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of the Spirit with how you feel at any particular moment. You may scorn non-emotional Christians as God's "frozen Chosen," because you have learned to judge Christianity by how people feel—by an emotional judgment. Unless God jolts you out of that rut, you will remain at the level of seeking your own pleasure.

The reason God allows these desolate spiritual periods—and we all experience them—is simply because, even after our conversion, we tend to be basically selfish, only we don't realize it. So God has to cleanse us, almost in spite of ourselves, so that we can really love Him and not ourselves. In this stage the emotional highs we experience at the beginning of our Christian walk are replaced by dryness and even boredom.

This sense of desolation is the first of three Dark Nights—the Night of the Senses—of the emotions. (Unfortunately, we don't have space in this issue to go into the other two Nights.) The beginning of this deepening movement of God can be frightening. The important thing for us to remember (and we usually need a spiritual director or Christian friends to reassure us) is that, so long as we continue to hold on and continue to be obedient to those things God calls us to do, we are still on the right path. The temptation will be to believe that we have lost our first love—that we are going backwards—that it's no longer worth the effort. The opposite is true: we are moving forwards—we are going deeper into Faith - holding on because we trust God and not our feelings. We simply need to be stripped of self-seeking; as Scripture says over and over, we are like gold that must be refined in the fire to be made vessels fit for the Master's use. But fire hurts, and we shrink back from the heat, much less the anvil!

Traditional Christian wisdom teaches that most people flee the pain necessary for purgation—this cleansing of selfish motivations and dependence on emotional highs that I have been describing—and they just stop growing.

Today this is reflected in the hordes of Christians who stop at this first level and wander from church to church looking for spiritual excitement. Unfortunately, most of us never move much beyond that initial stage of spiritual self-seeking by allowing God to strip us of self until we are able to become the loving servants Jesus has called us to be. If we know, though, that daylight alternates with periods of spiritual night and that great joy alternates with times of desolation, we will be able to endure this process of purgation until we become more like Jesus.

Some Practical Things To Consider When Under Trial:

1. Most of our initial religious breakthroughs are accompanied by great joy - or at least comfort.

GOD IS CALLING US TO COME DEEPER INTO HIS LIFE.

2. In time this usually fades.

3. Then, because we judge our relationship with God by our good feelings, we believe that we are backsliding when we go through a time of spiritual dryness or desolation.

4. The human tendency then is either to slack off in our prayer life or to try to recapture the early honeymoon stage by wandering around to meetings (churches) that feed our emotional needs and desire for control (the "Health, Wealth and Success Gospel"). We flee from the Cross, just as Peter did.

5. It is very hard for us then to see what is really happening: that God is letting us be stripped of self-seeking so that we may seek and find him alone. We have been using God to achieve pleasurable feelings or selfish goals (even seeking healing can become a somewhat selfish quest) instead of seeking God for himself. We all do this to some extent, it's natural

to us; so, in order to grow we have to let God wean us. This feels miserable—as if God doesn't love us anymore. So we may give up. We become like the seed sown by the wayside or among the weeds that is choked off after a good beginning.

6. Ideally, we will have a spiritual director to reassure us and help us discern what God is trying to accomplish in our lives—someone wise in the ways of the Spirit to help us trust enough to go deeper into God.

7. There are a series of trials, Nights like this, each harder than the last—each stripping us of something we had identified with being religious. For instance, your prayer life may become very dry; you may feel that you have no faith or love anymore; you may not enjoy being with other people anymore; you may find religious meetings that used to feed you now seem empty; your ministry may falter. But again, we read about these trials in the lives of all the saints (look at the lives of King David and the Apostle Paul, for example). It is only by holding steady and moving beyond our feelings and what the world defines as success, that we will grow to full maturity as Christians.

8. There are multitudes of Christians who do not realize this (although you see it clearly in the Gospels and Paul's letters) and remain in a perpetual state of spiritual adolescence—especially in religious groups that highlight religious experience as the hallmark of maturity.

9. This is not to say we do not need religious experience and times of great joy (like the "Toronto Blessing"). Very few would ever marry if they did not first fall in love! ➡

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News from the Development Office

by Mike Simon

Isn't it wonderful that God hears our prayers and answers them? Imagine if you and everyone receiving this newsletter wrote down how God has answered their prayers in the last five years. We could easily fill several books, and what a testimony that would be! How true are the words of Matthew 7:7-8: *"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks the door will be opened."*

I just want to update you on our progress in planning to build a new center.

As you know, we have completed the first steps by procuring the 60 beautiful acres of land near the Jacksonville airport. The next major step is getting an architect to render visible plans.

In the meantime, we are building the infrastructure we need by establishing a

Development Team, of which I am part. A major change for us has been that a member of our Board, Bryan and Page Simpson, has given us, for two years, a beautiful office space, separate from the CHM campus where our staff offices are located. The new office is in an excellent location in Ponte Vedra Beach, so the development group can easily meet together every day. Another valuable gift that has been donated to the new office is office furniture, given to us by Jay McGarvey.

The Board of Directors of CHM has been diligently planning to enhance the business side of the ministry by establishing the Development Office which is to be known as the Christian Healing Ministries Foundation. The Foundation will focus on the donor support that is needed to build the new center.

This is an exciting time to be part of the Development Team that will be an essential

part of Christian Healing Ministries. As our country waits for good news concerning the economy, large numbers of the sick continue to contact CHM for prayer. We rejoice at God's faithfulness in answering our prayers and in seeing the faithfulness of those who support CHM's ministry.

Would you be willing to "ask, see, and knock" with us as we seek to follow and carry out the Lord's vision for the Foundation? If you would like to join our prayer team, please e-mail Judy Smith at jls@christianhealingmin.org, or call us at 904-273-4415 (ask for Judy), or send a letter to P. O. Box 9520, Jacksonville, FL 32208. We would love to hear from you. ➔



Mike Simon is the Director of Development for CHM.

the word of their testimony...

testimonies gathered to encourage the Body of Christ

A Letter from Skip

Dear Francis and Judith and team,

My wife and my sister, as well as myself, attended the Journey to Healing retreat [back in January]. We were abundantly blessed in many ways.

To begin with, my personal 'journey to healing' started about 37 years ago at age 19 when I was baptized in the Spirit. In fact, back in the early 1970's I had the privilege of attending a retreat in Staten Island, NY that Francis and Ruth Stapleton led, among others. That was a great weekend, but it bothered me that I had to wait in line to have Francis pray for me. However, as my time came to go in for prayer the line was stopped. But now, 37 years later I was finally blessed to make this retreat at CHM and also to be prayed over by Francis!

Like many young men emerging out of the seventies, I carried some burdens associated with drugs, alcohol, and sex and tried to understand my behavior. As Paul describes my

condition: "I do the very things I hate....who will deliver me from this wretched state?" (Romans 7) This was my own inner cry to the Lord for many years despite being immersed in prayer groups, leading music ministries and taking part in healing teams. I carried that famous "God shaped wound," aching for the Father's love (and my own father's love).

The Lord did a lot for me in those 37 years; He blessed me with a wonderful wife, six children and much grace to lead me to much personal transformation, repentance and healing. Over those years I read every Agnes Sanford book around, attended retreats (including a glorious weekend with Tommy Tyson) and sought the Lord's heart in healing prayer. My wife and I (both Registered nurses) sought to bring His healing love to our profession and to those suffering whenever we could. For a few years we were part of a covenant community that spent more time on legalism and control than in ministering the gospel. Thankfully we were not as damaged as many folks were. Nevertheless, it made us gun shy of "renewal groups."

A Gentle Whisper

by Linda Strickland

Judith recently spoke at a conference where the hand of God moved in such a mighty way that you couldn't help but stand in awe; a true mountaintop experience. After arriving home, I received a phone call from a young woman who had attended the conference, and she told me that although many of her friends had experienced the Holy Spirit in a dramatic and powerful way, she had not. She had come to the conference worn out and hungry for God, and when she did not get the experience she had hoped for, she went home feeling a little cheated. She said that she really loved the conference; she had laughed a lot, cried a lot and had a great time with her friends – but she had not gotten what she came for: an electrifying experience with Jesus. However, the next morning, in the quiet of her bedroom, the Holy Spirit fell on her and gently ministered to her. It was not when, where, how or what she had expected – but it was exactly what she needed.

As we spoke, I told her the story of Elijah. Afraid, exhausted and on the run for his life, Elijah ended up in the desert crying out to God. After an angel had given him a nap, a sandwich and something to drink, he was able to hear the Lord say:

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"Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper." 1Kings 19:11-12

Rather than speaking to Elijah in a grand, mind-blowing way, I can't help but think that God chose to come in a gentle whisper because Elijah had, quite frankly, already had his fair share of whirlwind activity. What Elijah needed was a little peace and quiet so that he could recognize God's voice - and after that, hear and receive God's instruction.

This is the way it was for me when I met The Holy Spirit for the first time.

It was 1990 and my husband and I had recently reconciled after a lengthy separation in our marriage. I was emotionally exhausted from just trying to survive in what had been a very difficult time in my life. In addition, I was physically sick from a disease that had gripped my spine, causing a very weak and painful back condition.

One Wednesday evening, during a healing prayer service at our church, I went to the altar to be prayed for. At that particular time, my back pain was so unmanageable that I was feeling desperate. As I knelt down, two gentle prayer ministers, along with our priest, asked me what I wanted Jesus to do for me. I thought, "Wow, I can ask Him for anything?" I remember thinking to myself "What I really need is to know that Jesus is real, and that He has not forgotten me." But instead of saying what I was thinking, I simply asked them to pray for my back.

Within a few minutes of quiet prayer, I began to feel very warm...bordering on hot. As time seemed to stand still, I found myself immersed in a peace I had never experienced before. I became less and less conscious of the sweet people who lovingly surrounded me, and I became more and more aware of the divine and powerful presence of the Holy Spirit. My whole body heated up to the point, I found out later, the prayer ministers could no longer touch me.

When I was finally able, I opened my eyes to the surprised look of my prayer ministers' faces. They just stood there and stared at me. From head to toe I was completely drenched...as if I had jumped into a pool - clothes and all. There had been no rushing wind, or earthquake, or even fire....but my appearance indicated that I had been in all three. In those few minutes, I had knelt in the very presence of Almighty God and was completely transformed. It was gentle, it was quiet, it was sweet - and at the same time it was the most powerful thing I have ever experienced.

Although I was not healed of my disease that night, I was healed of other things which dramatically changed my life; particularly unforgiveness toward my husband. Since he and I reunited, I had not fully engaged in the marriage. I was hurt, resentful and not ready to stop punishing him. That night, everything changed - especially me! Transformed seems too small a word to describe what happened to me, and I have never been the same.

I find it interesting that Jesus often chooses to come to people in this quiet, gentle way. I also find it interesting that Jesus chose to come to earth at the time and location he did. Jesus could have dropped into this century where he would have had an opportunity to get his message out through a sophisticated media, with sound studios, cameras, and the internet. But Jesus chose a very small country at a very primitive time to come into this world. I can't help but believe that he did this because he values the one-on-one connection, and he yearns for a personal relationship with each and every one of us. After all, this is what we were created for.

Although I love large group experiences and believe these special times of corporate worship and prayer are essential in our Christian walk, I have found that amazing things can happen in quiet, intimate moments as well. So next time you are tempted to only chase God through the 'big experience' of a revival or conference, stop for a moment - right where you are, and listen for His gentle whisper. You just might find Him! ➤

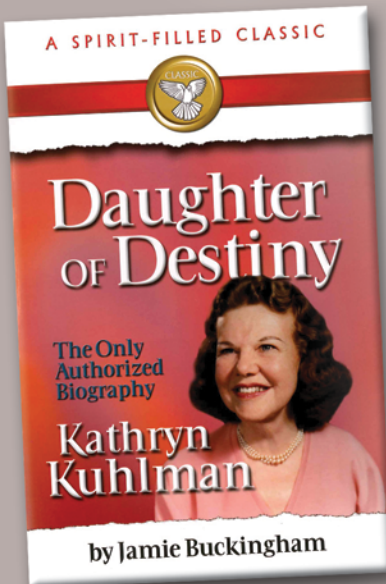


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As a hopeful sign of CHM's teachings further reaching a worldwide audience, a new French translation of Francis' book *Deliverance from Evil Spirits* has just been released. We are excited to introduce you to *La délivrance pour aujourd'hui*, published by Editions Bénédictines. Translated by Béatrice Souлары.



Featured Classic



Daughter of Destiny The Biography of Kathryn Kuhlman by Jamie Buckingham

Wherever Kathryn Kuhlman went, people who once thought miracles impossible learned to believe in miracles.

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An **AARP** Survey on Healing Prayer

summarized by Francis MacNutt

One of the signs of a growing mainstream belief in miracles is a survey sponsored by the American Association of Retired People which appeared in AARP, "the world's largest circulation magazine." The authors begin by mentioning that Thomas Jefferson did not believe in Christian healing or anything "supernatural" at all; he had snipped out all these references from his cut-and-paste Bible. He rewrote the New Testament and titled it "The Life and Morals of Jesus of Nazareth." (No miracles, just teaching.)

Today there is still an intellectual struggle between agnostics like Jefferson and those Christians who believe in miracles defined as "an incredible event that cannot be scientifically explained." In the survey the AARP asked 1300 people, 45 and over, what they thought. The results were amazing as they found out that 80% said they believe in miracles; 41% said they happen every day, and 37% said they have actually witnessed one.*

Of these respondents, 84% say that God is their cause, and about three quarters further identify Jesus and the Holy Spirit as causes. Angels (47%) and saints (32%) are also given a role in these miracles. The Judeo-Christian concept of a personal God reaching out "overwhelmingly dominates the American spiritual landscape." Virtually absent is the Hindu belief in a universal energy that blesses people.

Since we are looking forward to building a healing center, one of the findings that is specially encouraging to us is that 38% said that they would travel to a healing site like Lourdes, in France, and 6% have actually made such a trip to Europe. There are very few places in the U.S. where people can go to receive healing prayer, and they are not well-known. In the words of the movie, *Field of Dreams*, we think that if we "build it, they will come"!

Surprisingly, 71% with a college or post-graduate degree believe in miracles. Moreover,

the more money you make, the less likely you are to believe: 78% of those making \$75,000 or more believe, while 86% of those making \$25,000 or less believe. Both these percentages are much larger than I would expect!

Women seem to be especially spiritually gifted, and 85% of them believe in miracles, compared with only 73% of men.


Not all the miracles described in AARP are physical healings, but some are surprising answers to other dramatic crises in life with no human way out – such as being in debt and then having the money show up in the exact amount in apparently impossible ways (this has happened to us several times). In spite of the somewhat loose usage of the word "miracle," this article is an inspiring testimony to the belief that many Americans still have in the active compassion of God.

We agree totally with one commentator (Father Jonathan Morris) who writes that "when people say, 'This is a miracle,' they're not saying 'God broke the laws of nature to give me this blessing;' ... they're saying, 'God cares about me so much that he allowed this to happen!'" ☞

**All of this article is based on pp. 50ff. in the Jan.-Feb., 2009, issue of AARP.*

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				Alaska Healing Conference in Eagle River, Alaska		
3 Alaska Healing Conf.	4	Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm	6	7	8	9
10	Day of Healing Prayer on CHM campus	Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm Generational Eucharist on CHM campus: 6:00 pm	13	14	15	16
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School of Healing Prayer Level III on CHM campus in Jacksonville, FL						
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					Healing Conference with Judith MacNutt in Tarpon Springs, Florida	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Day of Healing Prayer on CHM campus	Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm Generational Eucharist on CHM campus: 6:00 pm	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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21	22	Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm	24	25	26	27
			CHM in New England, Mt. Snow, Vermont			
28	29	Open Prayer Ministry on CHM campus: 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm				

2009 Calendar

CHM Schools, Conferences and Retreats

Schools of Healing Prayer®

CHM Campus, Jacksonville, Florida

Speakers: Francis MacNutt, Judith MacNutt, and team

Registration: online at www.christianhealingmin.org or call 904-765-3332.

May 18-22 — Level III

June 8-12 — Level I

July 20-24 — Level II

October 5-9 — Level IV *NEW*

November 2-6 — Level III

November 30-December 4 — Level I

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July 7-11 (*Limited registration*)

CHM in New England (*Formerly the Fishnet Conference*)

Mt. Snow, Vermont

Speakers: Francis MacNutt, Judith MacNutt, Nigel Mumford

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June 24-27

Journey to Healing Retreat

Holiday Inn Airport, Jacksonville, Florida

Speakers: Francis MacNutt, Judith MacNutt, and team

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July 9-11 (*Limited registration*)

Other Conferences

April 30-May 3 ~ Alaska Healing Conference

Eagle River, Alaska

Speaker: Judith MacNutt and Mike Evans

Registration: www.communitycovenant.net

May 29-30 ~ Healing Conference with Judith MacNutt

All Saints Episcopal Church, Tarpon Springs, Florida

Registration: please call 727-937-3881

August 20-23 ~ Holy Spirit Conference

Honolulu, Hawaii

Speakers: Judith MacNutt, Jack Deer, Christy Pierce

Registration: www.himonline.org or call 808-988-9777

September 17-19 ~ Association of Christian Therapists (ACT) Conference

Wyndham, Riverwalk Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida

Speakers: Francis & Judith MacNutt, Dale & Susan Recinella

Registration: www.actheals.org or call 703-556-9222 and speak with either Christy or Nicole

September 25-27 ~ Vail Conference

Vail, Colorado

Speakers: Judith MacNutt, Russ Parker, Sr. Jeanne Hill

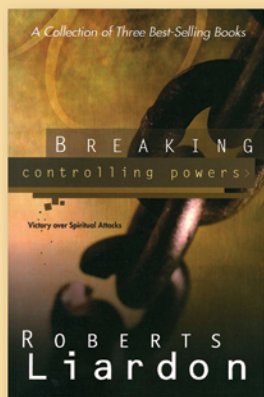
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November 14 ~ A Day of Healing with Judith MacNutt

Clearwater, Florida

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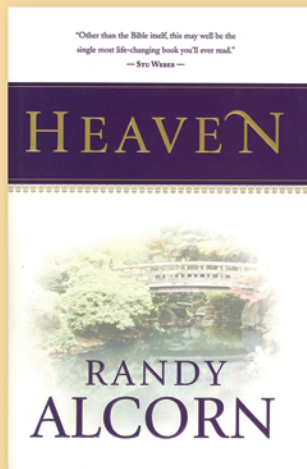
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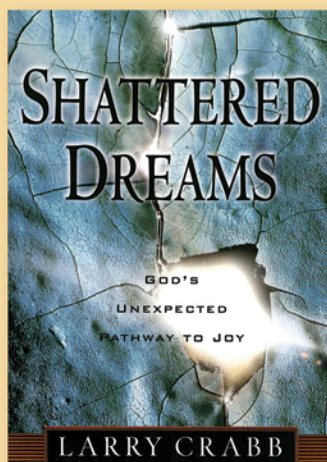
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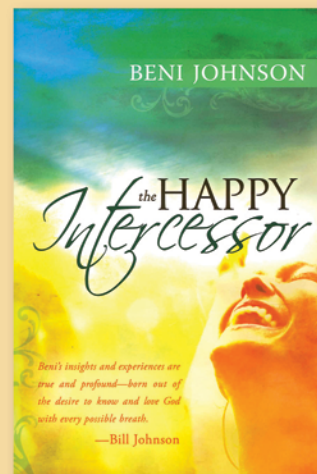
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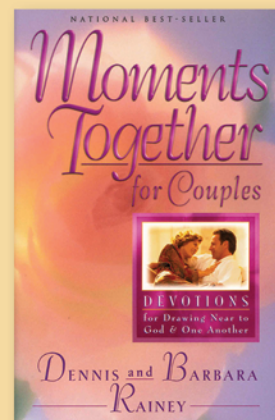
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by Henry J. Rogers

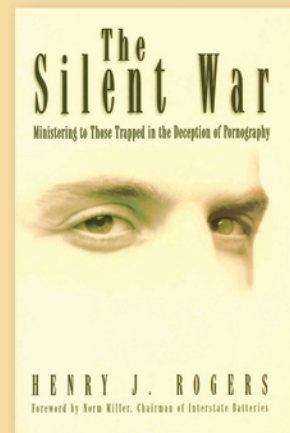
Amid the smoky dance clubs and seedy sections of town, there exists a thriving pornography industry. But it doesn't end there, and so the danger to men is all the greater.

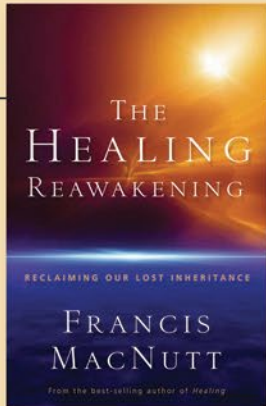
For in hotel rooms, trendy bookstores, television screens, and internet websites, there is enough viewing of pornographic materials to trap lives forever.

It is this world that author Henry Rogers reveals to us in his book, *The Silent War*, through interviews, statistics, and other facts, tracing the unraveling of American men by the claws of pornography. Rogers, chaplain for Interstate Batteries, discusses his own battle with this terrible addiction, then builds concrete steps for helping others climb out of the pit. *The Silent War* is a lifeline in a world in love with evil.

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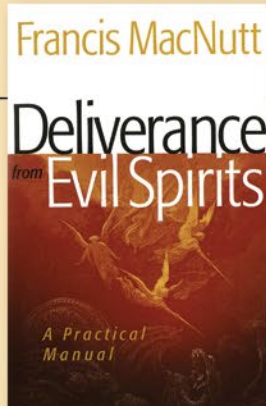


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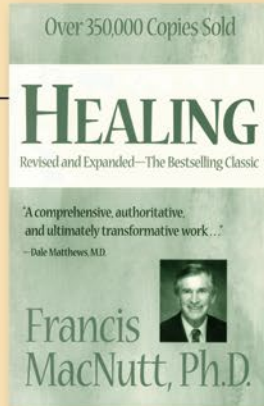
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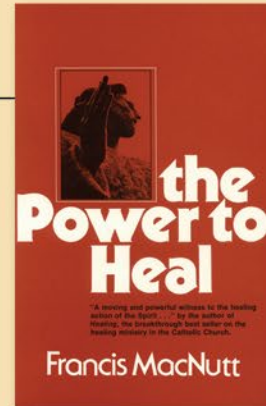
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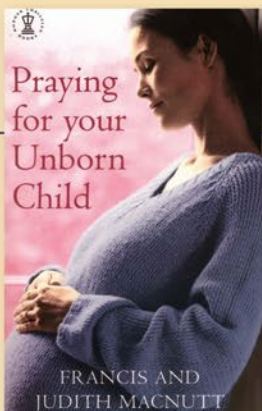
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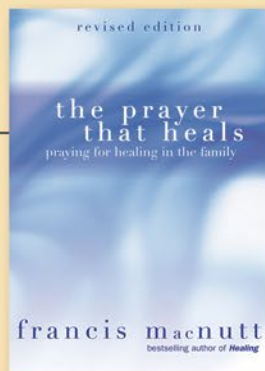
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What might happen if expectant mothers and fathers learned to pray for their babies even before birth? Sharing their conviction that "Jesus really wants to consecrate your child, to fill him with love and bring him into His Father's family," the MacNutt's give examples of the wondrous difference that prayer makes. Also available on audio cassette or cd.

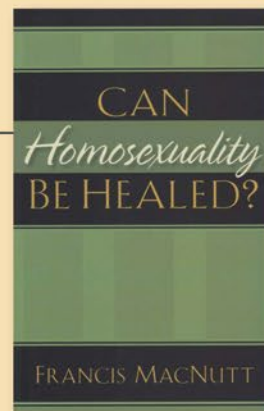
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This book teaches people how to pray at home for healing of family members. Says Dr. MacNutt, "Praying together at home is such a beautiful experience— and so easy to learn—that the present bleak record (of broken families) could easily be improved if people were taught and 'given permission' to try...I hope Christian families will experience the joy of praying together." Also available on audio cassette or cd.

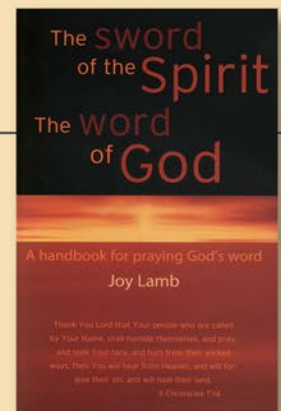
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This past November I came to CHM for a day of healing prayer and a generational Eucharist, and I walked away freed on a deep level. Significant bonds of generational sin were freed during this day of prayer and the Lord Himself restored my healing journey. I had a beautiful experience when Fr. Gene and Sara prayed with me; Gene spoke as a Dad would and (it happened to be my actual birthday that day) reached the deep regions of my heart in a way I have never before experienced.

As a professional healthcare provider, with many years of psychiatric nursing under my belt, I think I would know a good olfactory hallucination if I had one, but during the soaking prayer time in the chapel, I believe I truly experienced smelling a rose-like fragrance that didn't come from any person there.

This "day of healing prayer" stirred my thirst for more of a deeper and on-going ministry, and so I decided to go on this last retreat. I knew that Jesus called me to this retreat as the first scripture I ever read after being baptized in the Spirit was Matthew 11:28. When I saw that the theme of the retreat was this text I knew His call and hand was upon me to attend.

The overwhelming source of grace seemed to be the unconditional love that was palpable in the air, in the team, and which passed through them in the laying on of hands. During my personal prayer appointment I received the grace to forgive an old injury that I had previously thought I would just have to carry for my entire life. During one of the praise times as we were singing I heard the Lord repeat His own invitation (from Matt 11:28) "Come to me all you who are willing to allow me to do my work in you and I will heal you."

I could write many pages about the graces I am beginning to see unfold, and so I just want to take a moment to personally thank Francis and Judith for responding to Jesus and being instruments of his healing grace. Thank you to the whole team as well!

May Our Lord Jesus continue to pour out His healing grace on each of you at CHM!

A Businessman's Testimony

Over the years we have not only learned about God's love for us manifested in healing prayer but also from time to time, God helps in mundane areas such as finances. When we at CHM were low on finances, our dear friend Tommy Tyson would ask, "How much do you need by Friday?" Then he would pray for that exact amount, and it would always come in!

Now in this time of economic crisis, our dear friend and member of our National Advisory Board, Art Thomson, from La Jolla, CA, told me a remarkable testimony about how the Spirit inspired him before the crisis hit to sell all his

stocks – and he did. I asked him to write the story up, and here it is. It's especially amazing if you know Art, who is as steady as any non-impressionable businessman can be (he is a retired hotel manager)!

"Early in the morning of July 11, 2008 (7/11) I was awakened with a very definite direction of what I was to do. This was neither a dream nor a vision, nor was it verbalized but rather a very strong sense that I was to sell all our stock. The greater part of our retirement funds were invested in the stock market and had performed well for us up to that time.

I listened to what we believe was divine intervention and got up early before the market opened, called our stockbroker and sold everything. Had I relied on my own knowledge as to what to sell and what to keep, I would have made terrible mistakes: the first was Fannie Mae, which lost 95% of its value; another, Lehman Brothers, went into bankruptcy and is worthless; and Barclays Bank (of England) lost 50% of its worth. Our other stock had similar fates.

There is no doubt in our minds that the Divine was protecting and guiding us. Whether it was God or one of His guardian angels who intervened, we give Him all the honor and glory."

A Letter from Bob Kerner

Francis recently received a letter from Rev. Bob Kerner, who, with his wife Rev. Sandi Kerner, was a member of our CHM staff. They are now Episcopal priests in the Richmond, Virginia, area. In his letter he shared several significant testimonies:

"When I was a young deacon, the first person I ever prayed for was dramatically and instantly healed from terminal leukemia. The results of her tests were sent by her physician to the AMA as a demonstration of the efficacy of healing prayer, and her agnostic specialist was ultimately converted to Christianity as a result of this healing. That got my attention!

"On Cursillo weekends we have seen many profound results. For instance, a priest was healed of progressive, congenital, inoperable eye disease. He was expected to ultimately lose his sight, but he was healed totally. To this day, his sight is perfectly restored. He doesn't even need glasses!

"Another instance occurred when a team member had a terrible migraine headache. During the team Eucharist, when she received the consecrated bread and wine, she was healed instantly of the migraine. No one ever prayed specifically for this healing, except her. The migraines have never recurred in her life." ✠

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