The Five-Step Prayer Model for Healing

Matthew 4:23

Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people.

Matthew 10:7-8

As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

Step One: The Interview

Mark 9:17-18, 20-21

17A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. 18Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.... 20So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. 21Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered.

Step Two: Prayer Selection

Led by the Holy Spirit, select the prayer ministry to be most effective in dealing with the specific need(s).

*Command *Petition

Step 3: The Prayer Ministry (Praying for Effect)

Mark 9:25-26

25When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, **he rebuked the evil spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." 26The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out**..."

Points to Remember

- 1) Audibly ask the Holy Spirit to come.
- 2) Remember to <u>always</u> pray or command in the name of Jesus.
- 3) Keep your eyes open to see what the Spirit is doing
- 4) Thank God for whatever He does.
- 5) Keep prayers or commands short.
- 6) When a prayer or command results in a partial healing, continue to use it until you find that it no longer produces further healing.

Step 4: Stop and Re-Interview

*Have them try it out *If progress has stopped, re-evaluate *Consider whether an evil spirit is present

More Points to Remember

- 7) Do <u>everything</u> in love.
- 8) Ministry to a person with multiple problems.
- 9) Ministry to a person under medication.
- 10) Stop praying when:
 - The person is completely healed.
 - The person wants you to stop. He may be tired or simply feel you should stop.
 - The Holy Spirit tells you it is time to stop.

- You are not given any other way to pray, and you are not gaining ground.

Step Five: Post-Prayer Suggestions

- 1. Encourage the prayee's walk with the Lord
- 2. If a condition resulted from occult experiences or habitual sin, suggest tactfully that a change in lifestyle may well be needed to avoid a recurrence of his condition.
- 3. If he is not healed, or not completely healed, don't accuse him of lack of faith for healing, or of sin in his life as the cause.
- 4. Tell the prayee not to be surprised if he experiences a spiritual attack after a healing, and help him to be prepared to resist it.