

## God's Way of Healing

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### God's Way of Healing is a Person, Not a Thing.

Jesus said, "I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life," and He has ever been revealed to His people in all ages by the Covenant Name, Jehovah-Rophi, or "I am the Lord that Healeth thee." (John 14:6; Exodus 15:26.)

### The Lord Jesus Christ is Still the Healer.

He cannot change for "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yea and forever"; and He is still with us, for He said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Hebrews 13:8; Matthew 28:20.) Because He is Unchangeable, and because He is present, in spirit, just as when in the flesh, He is the Healer of His people.

### Divine Healing Rests on Christ's Atonement.

It was prophesied of Him, "Surely He hath borne our griefs (Hebrew, *sicknesses*), and carried our sorrows: . . . and with His stripes we are healed"; and it is expressly declared that this was fulfilled in His ministry of Healing, which still continues. (Isaiah 53:4,5; Matthew 8:17.)

### Disease Can Never Be God's Will.

It is the Devil's work, consequent upon Sin, and it is impossible for the work of the Devil ever to be the Will of God. Christ came to "destroy the works of the Devil," and when He was here on earth He healed "all manner of disease and all manner of sickness," and all these sufferers are expressly declared to have been "oppressed of the Devil." (1 John 3:8; Matthew 4:23; Acts 10:38.)

### The Gifts of Healing are Permanent.

It is expressly declared that the "Gifts and the calling of God are without repentance," and the Gifts of Healing are amongst the Nine Gifts of the Spirit to the Church. (Romans 11:29; 1 Corinthians 12:8-11.)

### There are Four Modes of Divine Healing.

The first is the direct prayer of faith; the second, intercessory prayer of two or more; the third, the anointing of the Elders with the prayer of faith; and the fourth, the laying on of hands of those who believe, and whom God has prepared and called to that ministry. (Matthew 8:5-13; Matthew 18:19; James 5:14,15; Mark 16:18.)

### Divine Healing is Opposed by Diabolical Counterfeits.

Amongst these are Christian Science (falsely so called), Mind Healing, Spiritualism, Trance Evangelism, etc. (1 Timothy 6:20,21; 1 Timothy 4:1,2; Isaiah 51:22,23.)

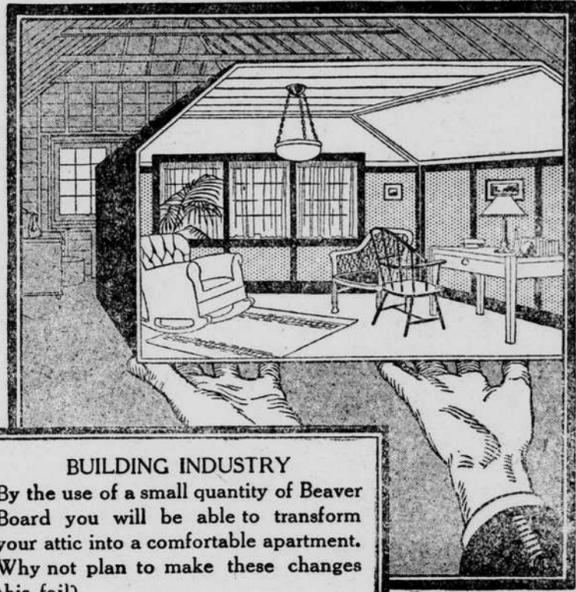
### Multitudes Have Been Healed Through Faith in Jesus.

The writer knows of thousands of cases and has personally laid hands on scores of thousands of persons. Full information can be obtained at the meetings held in ZION HOME and Shiloh Tabernacle, ZION CITY, Illinois, and in many pamphlets; also the LEAVES OF HEALING published weekly at ZION CITY, Illinois.

"FAITH COMES BY HEARING AND HEARING BY THE WORD OF GOD." (Romans 10:17.)

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ZION REALTY DEPARTMENT

## LOCAL ITEMS

(C. B. W.)

You have all heard about a certain class of individuals whose names and faces are always found in public places. A lot of young people have the habit of eternally scribbling their names in their school books, on the sides of buildings, on rocks and trees, or anything at all that presents a surface. Some trace their names with the finger in the dust on the sides of automobiles. They mean no harm by it; they do it thoughtlessly. We used to do the same thing. But they are ignorant of the fact that they may cause a lot of damage to a costly article. Dust consists of grit, and grit grinds under the finger and cuts right into the delicate polish of an auto, piano, piece of mahogany furniture, or anything of that nature, causing a permanent disfigurement. Thus, the article is not only scarred but the price of it depreciated, should the owner wish to dispose of it.

Persons writing to headquarters remitting subscriptions, tithes, free-will offerings, etc., would save a vast amount of time and trouble on the part of the clerks if they always would be careful to give their full mailing address. Hundreds of people seem to think that because they have written to headquarters a few times we ought to know exactly where they live. They do not realize that we have thousands of names on file and that it is impossible to carry each separate address in the memory. They therefore omit to give their street number or if they live in the country, their rural route or box number; some even omit to give their state. Consequently, hours are consumed by the clerks in searching through the files. If you desire a prompt answer to your letter, your receipt card, or if you wish your subscription paper to reach you without delay, give your full address each time you write.

Owing to the shortage of labor, the men co-workers of Zion Department Stores have been taking turns, during the past week, in unloading cars of coal for the winter's supply of that institution. The clerks and managers have

shown a very cheerful and willing spirit in turning their hand to this unusual task, and the work has moved along nicely.

Your attention is drawn to the notice by Zion Department Stores appearing in another column, regarding Christmas shopping. In compliance with government regulations, merchants have cut delivery of goods to one service a day after October 15. They also will eliminate specials and conform to the request of the state council of defense in regard to returned merchandise.

In changing your address on the *Leaves of Healing* or *The Theocrat*, send it direct to us, and not through postal carriers or employes. When given through your postoffice it is usually delayed in reaching us and often entirely overlooked. When the change is sent to us, we stand responsible to see that it receives prompt attention.

Mrs. A. E. Sach has returned home after an absence of eight weeks in Ontario, Canada. She found opportunities, while away for testifying to God's goodness and of the work in Zion and states that some people where she visited were led to God through reading the *Leaves of Healing* and her influence.

Lieut. Lawrence B. Schmuhl, of the U. S. Destroyer, Whipple, who has been cruising in French waters for the past thirteen months, has been visiting his uncles, W. E. Schmalfuss and C. A. Brune, while home on a short furlough before being transferred to the U. S. Destroyer, Thatcher.

Mrs. G. W. Marshall and her two nieces, Clarice and Lillian, have moved to Zion City from Piggott, Arkansas. Mrs. Marshall has taken rooms in Zion Home, and her nieces are staying with Deacon and Mrs. Alvin Marshall, of 3106 Elizabeth avenue.

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Myron Bowers, of the Sixty-first Field Artillery, at Fort Sheridan, visited his mother, Mrs. Mabel Bowers, and his grandmother, of 2711 Elim avenue, this week, before leaving for Camp Jackson, South Carolina. He expects immediate overseas service.

Mrs. C. C. Fisher, with her two children, has returned to her home in Nebraska after spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. Ida Reynolds, of 3107 Ezekiel avenue.

Harry J. Stepenske, of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, spent Saturday and Sunday with Deacon Theodore Becker and family, of 2408 Elizabeth avenue.

Mrs. Nettie Bloomberg, with her little son, of Chicago, visited her mother, Mrs. J. Landahl, of The Bethel, over Saturday and Lord's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailie and two children have moved to Zion City from Spokane, Washington, taking rooms in Zion Home.

Mr. C. W. Rendall, of Minnesota, visited last week with his brother, Deacon J. B. Rendall, and family, of 2408 Gideon avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Tige Mortenson and little daughter, Ruth, have moved from Chicago to Zion City, locating in Shiloh House.

Miss L. B. George and Miss Hilda Rahn, of Racine, attended services in Shiloh Tabernacle last Lord's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Goodwin have moved from Rowley, Iowa, to Zion City, locating in Zion Home.

Mr. J. B. Scott, of Hamilton, Indiana, has been a guest at Zion Home for a few days.

### PSALM 23.

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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