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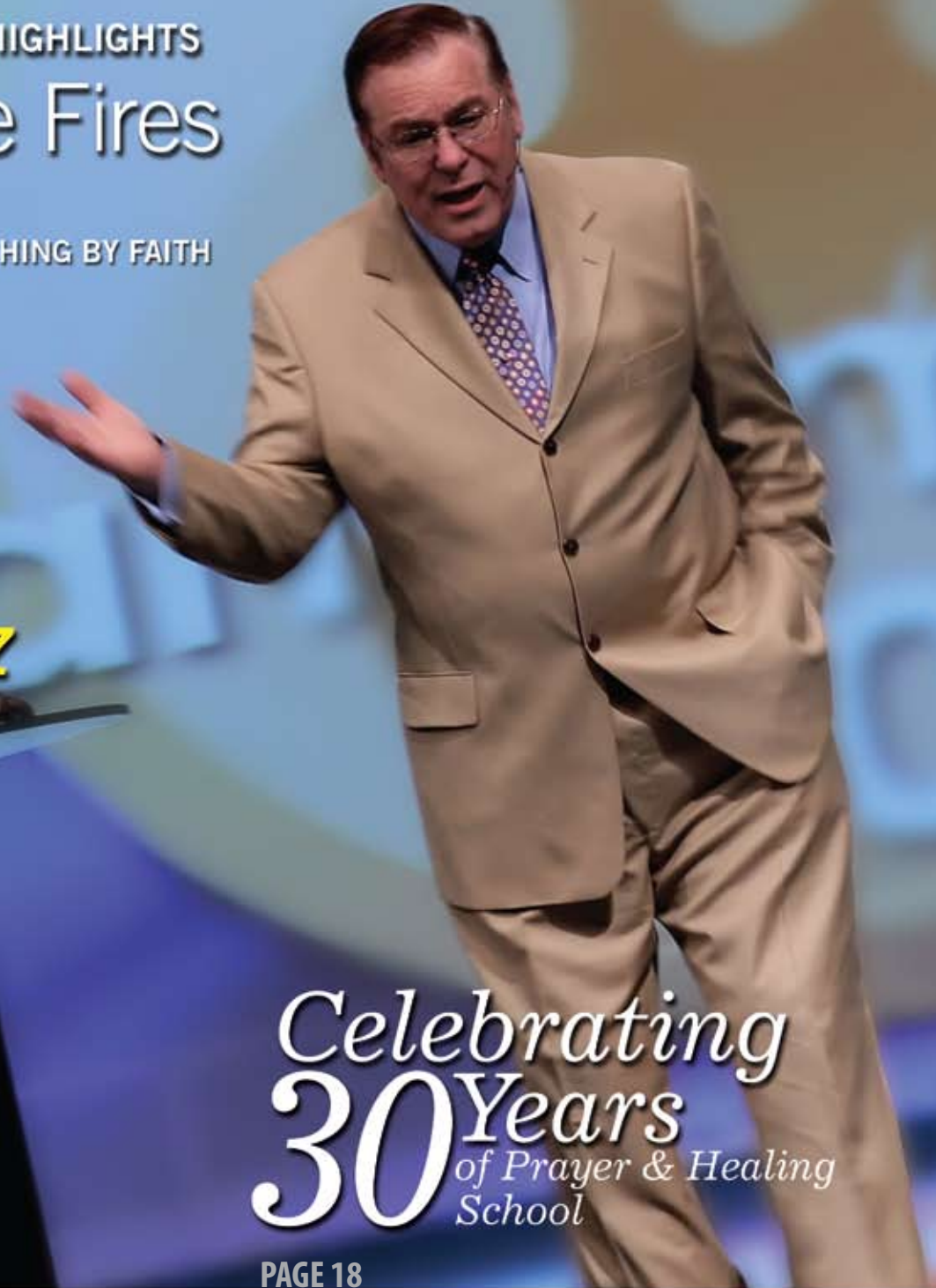
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# HEART TO HEART

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## 30 Years of Prayer and Healing School

My dad, Kenneth E. Hagin, ministered extensively during the healing revival that swept the United States during the 1950s. I remember hearing him say that it was easy to get people healed back then. He said it seemed as though healing was in the air.

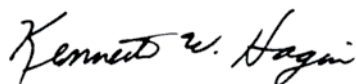
However, Dad also noticed that many people who had received miraculous healings often lost their healing. And after the symptoms came back on them, they were usually worse off than before they were healed!

That's why my dad changed the way he ministered. Sure, he could have advertised healing revivals and filled large auditoriums. But he knew that the people wouldn't keep their healing. So he began holding smaller meetings where he could both minister to the sick and teach the people.

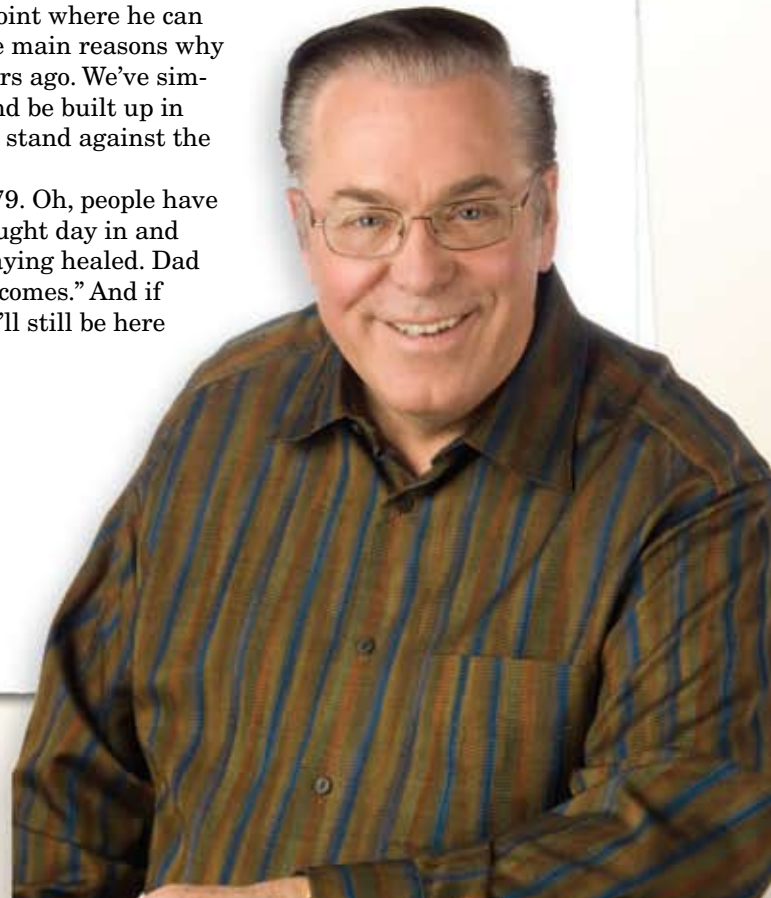
In these smaller meetings, Dad often saw people who had been miraculously healed by notable healing evangelists but had lost their healing. He would take his time and teach them line upon line, precept upon precept. Not only did most of them get healed a second time, but they also knew how to keep their healing.

I remember hearing Dad say on more than one occasion, "No one can maintain a healing which has come as a result of another's faith, gifts of the Spirit, and so on, unless his faith is developed through the Word of God to the point where he can maintain his own rights." And that's one of the main reasons why Prayer and Healing School was started 30 years ago. We've simply provided a place where people can come and be built up in the Word concerning healing and learn how to stand against the devil's attacks on their own.

Not much has changed since October 1, 1979. Oh, people have come and gone, but the same Word is being taught day in and day out. And people are getting healed and staying healed. Dad often said, "We're going to be here until Jesus comes." And if Jesus tarries His coming another 30 years, we'll still be here teaching the same Word of healing.



Kenneth W. Hagin



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# Our IDENTITY in Christ



// KENNETH W. HAGIN

One of the most important revelations we can get from the Word of God is to understand who we are in Christ.

Identifying with Christ will **/change the way we live/**

and cause us to **/rise above adversity./**

But not understanding our identity in Him will keep us living far below our rights and privileges in Christ.

## NEW ID



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Instead of "unrighteous," you are called **"RIGHTEOUS."**

Instead of "sick," you are called **"HEALED."**

Instead of "poor," you are called **"RICH."**

When you understand your new identity in Christ, you'll be a stronger and more stable Christian. Your faith will work for you better, your prayer life will be enhanced, and you'll walk in a new level of authority.

**W**hat does it mean to identify with Christ? It's normal for us to identify with something or someone; it makes us feel connected. Whether we identify with a person, organization, occupation, race, nationality, or church, identifying with them gives us a feeling of belonging.

In the natural realm, we identify with people, places, and things. But we also have an identity in the spirit realm. The Scriptures say we have been crucified with Christ (Gal. 2:20). And not only did we die with Him on the Cross of Calvary, we also have been raised with Him. We can see that in these verses.

#### **EPHESIANS 2:4-7 (NKJV)**

**4** But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,  
**5** even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),  
**6** and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,  
**7** that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

According to this passage of Scripture, we are seated with Christ in heavenly places. Unfortunately, some Christians are having an identity crisis. They don't know who they are in Christ or where they are seated. Instead of

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identifying with Christ, they are identifying with the problems they are confronted with. You can tell they do this because they call themselves by their problems: divorced, bankrupt, and so forth.

Others identify with a profession. They say things like, “I’m a salesman,” or “I’m a lawyer.” But their profession is not who they are; it’s what they do.

When we really understand our identification in Christ—who we are in Him—it will change the way we think and live. Second Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV) says, “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” That same verse in *The Living Bible* says, “When someone becomes a Christian he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same any more. A new life has begun!”

Before we were in Christ, we were destined for death and destruction. Now we are destined for eternal life (1 John 2:25). Before Christ, we were destined for despair, degradation, and poverty. But in Christ, we are destined to have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10).

In Christ is where our identity should be. It’s in Jesus that we are somebody!

Did you ever notice in the Scriptures that God often changed people’s identities? They looked at themselves one way, but God told them who they really were. This is what happened to Gideon.

Gideon was so terrified of the Midianites that he hid inside of a winepress to thresh his wheat. He believed the Midianites would

take what little he had if they saw him threshing wheat (Judges 6:1–11).

One day the angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon and said, “*The Lord is with you, mighty warrior*” (Judges 6:12 NIV). Gideon was acting like anything but a mighty warrior. But when Gideon finally saw himself the way God saw him, he went on to deliver the Israelites from the Midianites (Judges 7:1–25).

God also changed Abram’s name. In the natural it was impossible for Abram and Sarai to have children. But God said, “*No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations*” (Gen. 17:5 NIV). He also changed Sarai’s name to Sarah (Gen. 17:15). God’s Words were fulfilled when Sarah gave birth to Isaac.

God calls those things that are not as though they were (Rom. 4:17). In the natural realm, what God is calling us may not exist. But in His eyes, it does. So we need to talk about ourselves the same way God does.

What God says about us is found in His Word. Here are some things we are and have in Christ:

- » We are **NEW** creatures. (2 COR. 5:17)
- » We are the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of God. (2 COR. 5:21)
- » We’ve been **HEALED**. (1 PETER 2:24)
- » We’ve been made **RICH**. (2 COR. 8:9)
- » We are **ACCEPTED**. (EPH. 1:6 KJV)
- » We are **FREE** from sin. (ROM. 6:20–22)

Psalm 23:4 says, “*Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.*” I like to say that verse like this: “Yea, though I walk through all of the mess that the devil tries to put on me, I will fear no evil. Through my identification in Christ, I can walk on scorpions and not be harmed. I can walk on anything that tries to get in my way and come out victoriously.”

It’s time for us to stand up and be who God says we are. And we need to let the devil know that *we* know who we are in Christ. Then anytime he tries to attack us, we can throw our shoulders back and say, “Don’t mess with me. I’m identified with Christ!”

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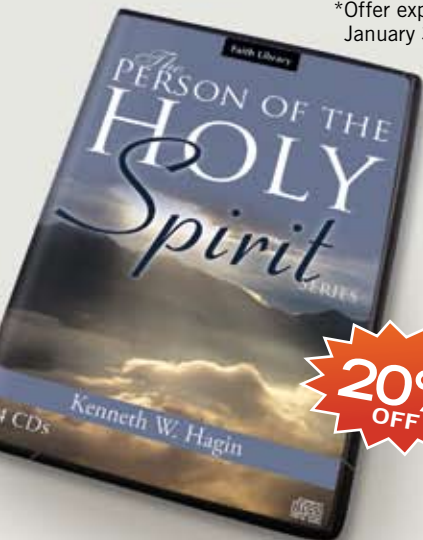
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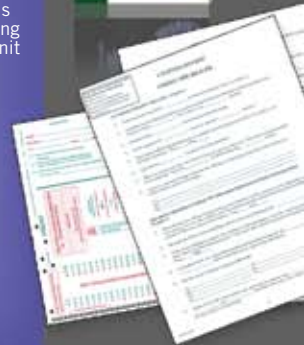
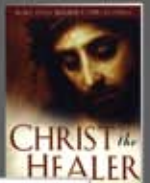
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—Marc  
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

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## Thursday

3:00–7:00 p.m. Registration  
7:00 p.m. Opening Session—Mark Hankins

## Friday

8:30–8:50 a.m. Worship  
9:00–9:50 a.m. Workshops  
9:50–10:10 a.m. Fellowship  
10:10–10:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30–11:45 a.m. General Session—Gerald Brooks  
Noon Luncheon  
1:30–2:20 p.m. Workshops  
2:30 p.m. Free Time (optional bonus sessions)\*  
7:00 p.m. General Session—Kenneth W. Hagin

## Saturday

7:15–8:15 a.m. Pancake Breakfast  
8:30–8:50 a.m. Worship  
9:00–9:50 a.m. Workshops  
10:00 a.m. Prayer & Communion Service—Kenneth W. Hagin  
11:30 a.m. Drawing and Giveaway  
Noon Dismissal

**“A Call to Arms was awesome. I thank God for RHEMA. I left a **changed man.**”**

—Buddy  
Brick, New Jersey

**“I am a changed man. The **Holy Spirit** was here to change men.”**

—Russell  
Tupelo, Mississippi

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# 2009 CAMPMEETING

## Keep the Fire Alive!

A few things have changed from early camp meetings to *Campmeeting 2009*. Services are no longer held outdoors under a tent, and there's no sawdust on the ground. But RHEMA Bible Church's auditorium in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, still crackled with camp meeting energy as 12 men and women of God infused with the fire of the Spirit "preached up a storm."

From July 19th through the 25th, the RHEMA campus was ablaze with activity. The flames of the Holy Spirit swept through the main auditorium, the nearby Rooker Memorial Auditorium—the venue for *Summer Blitz 2009* for youth—and the Ninowski Recreation Center, where services for elementary children were held.

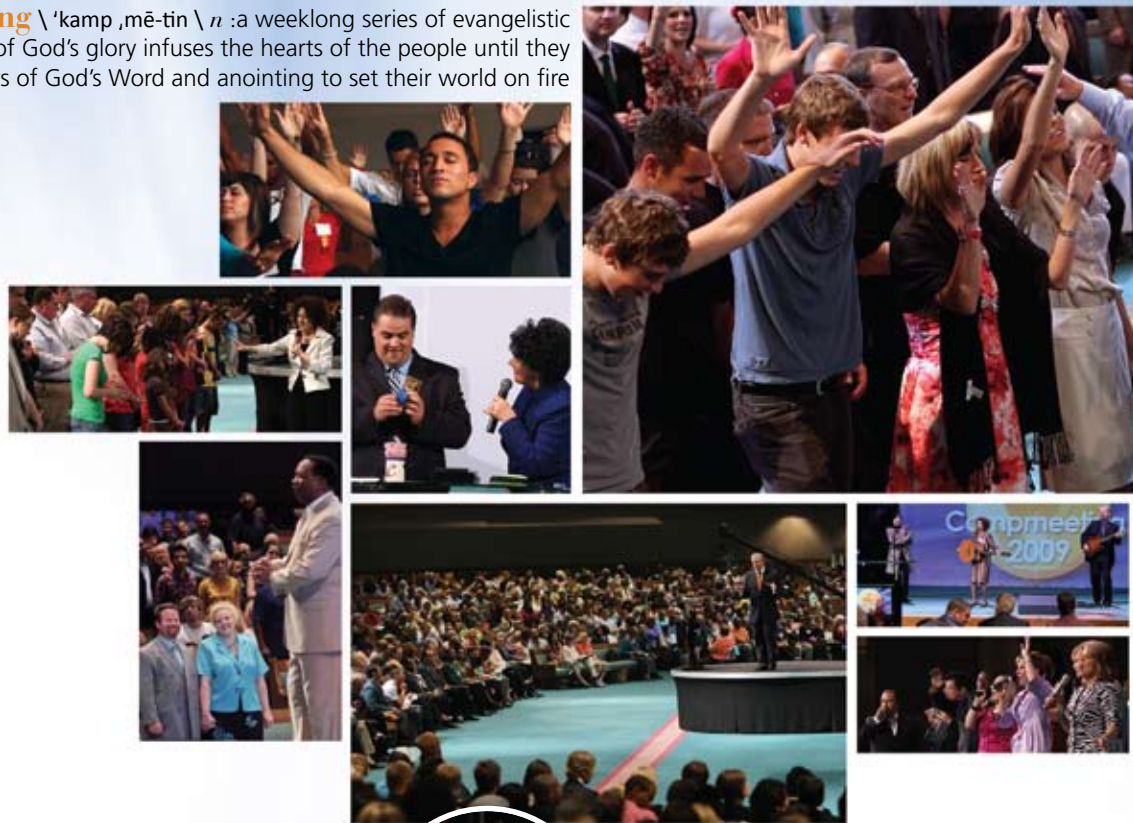
One thing is certain: *Campmeeting 2009* made a lasting mark on the lives of those who were there. As attendees returned to their cities and towns throughout the United States and around the world, they carried with them a burning desire to turn up the heat of God's love for a lost and dying world. ♡

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**CHARLES COWAN**

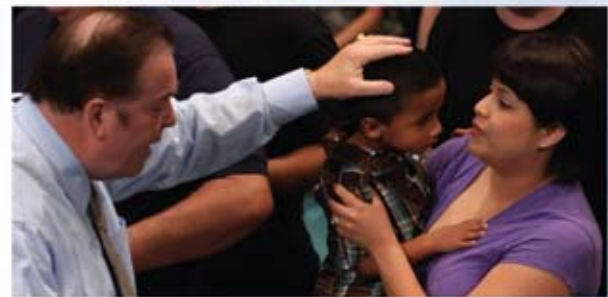
"**Too many people are trying and not believing.**

To try something is to attempt something. When you attempt it, you're hoping to succeed. To believe is to count something as true. When you try something, you do not believe it's going to work. You hope it's going to work. Many people are trying to have faith, but they don't believe. Don't try. Believe!"

**CRAIG W. HAGIN**

"**The very thing you need to whip the devil is right in your hands.** You have the power of God. You have the Name of Jesus. You already have what you need. Quit listening to the symptoms, the circumstances, and the discouragement. When David went out to battle Goliath, he looked down right where he was at and picked up five smooth stones."

**DARRELL HUFFMAN**

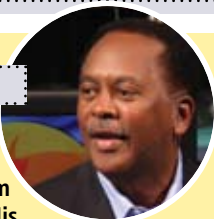


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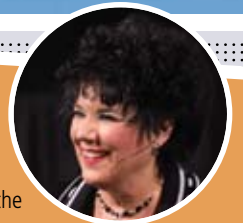
"In the world there's recession, but in the Church there's glory. **I am convinced God gets His greatest joy out of doing the impossible in impossible situations.** We recognize what's going on in the world, but the Bible says we're *in* this world, but we're not *of* this world. God is our Father. He's responsible to take care of us."

"I don't want you to be a follower. I want you to be someone who leads others in the Truth. You've heard the stories; how about you having one of your own? Do you want to read the Book or do you want *to be* the Book? **I don't want you to hear a good message; I want you *to be* a good message!"**

**LOIS TAUCHER OF SHEKINAH GLORY**



**LYNETTE HAGIN**



"What are you focusing on today? Are you focusing on the circumstances or our delivering God? The woman with the issue of blood didn't focus on her circumstances. She said, '*If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole*' (Mark 5:28). And she was healed! **The circumstances of life may have made you dizzy, but if you will focus on the Lord, He will bring you out of the circumstances every time.**"

# Are You Marching?

// KENNETH W. HAGIN

Hebrews chapter 11 is filled with the names of saints of old who marched by faith. Can you hear them? Tramp. Tramp. Tramp. There they go—receiving the blessings of God.

By faith, these men and women subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, and escaped the edge of the sword.

Can you hear that same sound today? It's the sound of those



who are marching by faith. Tramp. Tramp. Tramp. Listen, and you can hear them. It's the sound of those who are possessing the promises of God. They are marching by faith to receive what God has said is theirs. They have the promises of God lined up in their sights, and they're not letting go.

These people are marching to the beat of a different drummer. They're marching by faith in a God Who has said that all things are possible to those who believe. They're marching by faith in a God Who has promised to supply whatever they need.

Listen and you can hear them. Tramp. Tramp. Tramp. As they march, they face many obstacles. This is not a time for the spineless, weak, anemic Christian. Oh no. Too many of them now dot the landscape of our churches with doubt, unbelief, and fear. Deliver us, oh Lord, from these cautious ones who never dare to step out in faith over the aching void of nothingness with only the Word of God under them.

Help us, oh Lord, not to be counted with the fearful and the cowardly. What a sad day it is when people will no longer march by faith—when people will no longer face the challenge in front of them and step out in faith.

This march cannot be carried out by those who cower in the lap of "what if." What does God say? "March. March by faith."

Quit standing on the sidelines. Grab hold of the Word of God, jump out, and begin to march.



Tramp. Tramp. Tramp. Dare to open your mouth and say what God said. Begin marching by faith for your victory.

I won't say it will be easy. Things will not always turn out the way you expected. The truth is, you will experience a few setbacks. Heaven's hall of fame is filled with individuals who had setbacks. But they kept going even after failure and defeat; they persevered and believed God.

Although you may get weary, you have to learn to keep on marching. Keep on going.

Look closely at the people you are marching with—those named in the Word of God and those who are around you. You will find that you are surrounded by the imperfect, the undignified, the unwanted, the rejected, and the unrecognized. You'll find the scarred and the wounded, the crippled, the battle weary, and the exhausted. But that's not the entire story. These men and women have marched past their feelings. They have marched beyond the point of emotional sensitivity. They are obeying

the commands of God and are marching their way to victory.

I can hear them march. Tramp. Tramp. Tramp. There they go.

You can hear them marching to receive the promise of God. You can hear them marching to obey the call of God on their lives. You can hear them marching as they persevere and overcome every obstacle that gets in front of them.

I want to urge those who are wounded, battle scarred, crippled, and too exhausted to get back up: Stand up now and start marching. And say this as you go:

"I'm marching by faith. I'm receiving all God has for me. I'm receiving everything the Bible says belongs to me. I'm obeying God and His call. I'm going to walk over the top of everything that gets in my way. I'm going to march to victory. There are not enough devils in hell to keep me from getting my victory. I'm not turning back. Nothing can stop me. By faith, here I go! Hallelujah!"



[This article was adapted from Kenneth W. Hagin's sermon delivered Thursday evening, July 23, 2009.]

"You've got fire burning on the inside of you. You've got the fire and glory of God shut up in your bones. The fire of God will give you boldness. The fire of God burning in your spirit will burn up the chaff. **Everything the devil has tried to put on you, the fire of God will burn up.** Every bit of it will disappear, just like it never happened."



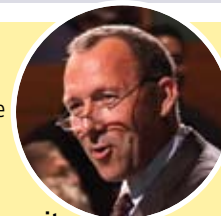
MARK HANKINS

"Sometimes we have to make decisions but we're not sensitive enough to hear the voice of God. That's because we have become too busy to hear what the Spirit of God is saying. **We have to spend time in the Word and sit in the presence of the Lord until we're so saturated with relationship that anything we ask of Him, He does, because we're abiding in Him and He in us.**"



REGGIE SCARBOROUGH

"To go where God wants you to go and be what He wants you to be, you must turn loose of guilt, shame, and condemnation. You have to learn to bounce, and let God—by His Spirit—take you higher. **You owe it to God to get back up when you fall, no matter how badly you've messed up.** Rise up and bounce, because greater is He that's in you than he that's in the world."



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## Timeless Teachings of Kenneth E. Hagin



# Dying Healed

**A**fter a morning service in one of our seminars, my wife reminded me that while we were pastoring, we never buried one of our church members. I checked the records and saw that over the 12-year period we pastored, I only had five or six funerals. And those were for relatives of people who attended our church, or for former members who left before I became pastor.

Don't misunderstand me. I realize that people are going to live out their lives. If Jesus tarries His coming, people will go home to be with the Lord. But they don't have to die with sickness and disease.

In one church we pastored, our pianist came to Oretha and me and told us that her mother was dying of cancer. The doctors had given her mother 10 days to live. When I went to see her mother, she said, "Brother Hagin, I'm

82, and I've suffered with this cancer. Just leave me alone and let me die."

I told her, "I'm not going to do that. Let God heal you and then die if you want to. But don't die like this, not with sickness and disease."

We laid hold of her spirit and wouldn't let her go. We kept her here long enough that we finally got enough Word into her spirit and she was healed. It took six months to do that, but praise God, she lived to be 93 years old. And when she went home to be with the Lord, she died without sickness and disease!

That's the reason we tell people to come to Healing School and stay until they get healed—whether it takes a week, a month, six months, or a year.

I remember one time I was holding a meeting in Fort Worth, Texas, at an Assemblies of God church. The pastor asked me if I would go with

“ If Jesus tarries His coming, people will go home to be with the Lord. But they don't have to die with sickness and disease. ”



(Editor's Note: This article was adapted from the message Brother Hagin taught during the first Prayer and Healing School service that was held on Monday, October 1, 1979.)

## Healing Confession

Speak the following words aloud and let your heart agree with them:

Heavenly Father, thank You for being my Father. I have been born again, and I am Your child. Thank You that Your great plan of redemption includes healing for my body.

Matthew 8:17 says that Jesus took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses. What He bore, I need not bear. It is also written, “. . . *by whose stripes ye were healed*” (1 Peter 2:24). If I was healed, I *am* healed. I believe that in my heart and I say it with my mouth.

Because Jesus bore sickness for me, I am healed. I am free. I no longer have sickness or disease. Thank You, Father, that Your will for me is that I be well, and that I live out the full length of my life without sickness, pain, or disease.

him and pray for a woman in his congregation. She was an 82-year-old Assemblies of God evangelist who had been bedfast for two years with cancer.

This woman had been operated on two years before. And when the doctors opened her body up, they saw many malignant growths. So they just sewed her back up and said nothing more could be done. They couldn't understand how she had lived so long after the operation.

I went with the pastor to visit the woman. When I met her, she looked like a skeleton. Her skin looked as if it was stretched over her bones, except where the tumors were. The tumors made her look as if she were pregnant.

This dear saint said the same kind of thing my pianist's mother said. "I've preached for years. I'm saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. I've suffered so much,

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and I'm ready to go. Just leave me alone and let me die.”

The pastor and I both said, “No, we're not going to do that.” I felt led to read her Proverbs 4:20–22: “*My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they*

*are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.*”

“When I was on the bed of sickness,” I said to her, “I eventually got hold of these verses and saw where I had been missing it. We have to keep the Word before our eyes.”

When I was terminally ill, this was a turning point for me. The doctor said I was going to die, and I saw myself dead. But I got hold of these verses and did not let the Word of God depart from my eyes. I began to see myself alive even though nothing had changed in my body. I began to see myself doing things I had never done before.

I told that dear saint, “Every time you look at your big stomach, see it flat. See yourself preaching again.

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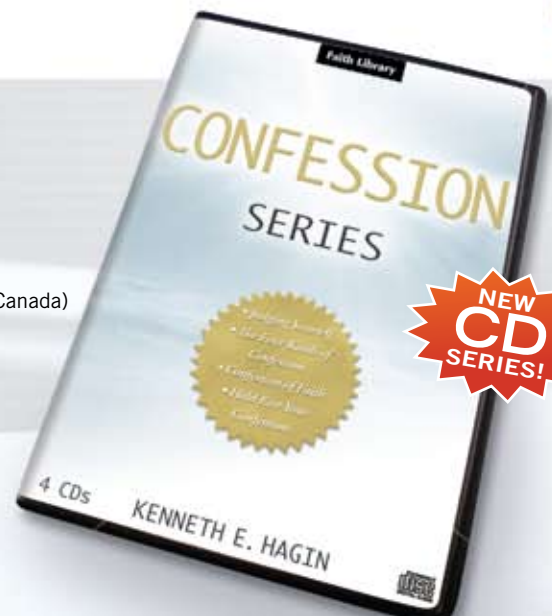
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God doesn't want you to die like this. You can die if you want to, but let God heal you first. He won't get any glory if you die like this."

I laid hands on the woman and left. That was at the beginning of September of 1957. In May of 1958, I was back in Fort Worth ministering at the same Assemblies of God church. The pastor told me that this woman had been healed. I rejoiced but thought no more about it.

One evening the pastor and I were in the church. I was straightening up my book table when I heard him speaking to two ladies. I didn't recognize either one of them so I kept straightening my books.

One of the ladies came up to me and just threw her arms around me and hugged me. I pulled her arms off of me, pushed her away, and looked at her.

She said, "You don't recognize me, do you?"

"No, I don't," I said. She looked so young and pretty.

"I'm Sister So-and-So." When I realized she was the woman evangelist I had prayed for, I threw my arms around her, and we had a hallelujah spell right there!

"I'm sure glad you boys didn't let me die!" she said. "It would have been the easiest thing in the world to just die and go to Heaven. But I started thinking about what you said. And every time I looked at my huge stomach, I saw it flat. My condition didn't change instantly, but in two or three months' time, I could tell that it was getting smaller. And in the process of time, my stomach just flattened out and all the symptoms left me.

"I have the summer lined up with meetings," she said. "I can't go like I did when I was young, but I'm going to preach all summer and rest in the winter."

Years later, I read in the *Pentecostal Evangel* that she died when she was 93 years old. And she died without sickness and disease! I found out from the pastor in Fort Worth that she preached right up to the time she died. One day she said to her daughter, "The Lord showed me it's time for me to go home." She sat down in the rocking chair, said good-bye, and just took off! ♥

# Celebrating 30 Years of RHEMA'S PRAYER & HEALING SCHOOL



## God's Word Works!

"I'll preach that Jesus saves and heals. I'll preach that He fills with the Holy Spirit and that He is coming again." As a minister of the Gospel, Kenneth E. Hagin long carried a dream in his heart to help those who suffered in pain and sickness the way he himself had once suffered.

'COME AND **stay** UNTIL YOU GET HEALED. . . .'

Born with a deformed heart, Kenneth was paralyzed and bedridden at the age of 15. On the very first night he became bedfast, completely beyond all medical help, he died and went to hell three times. Each time he approached the entrance to hell, a voice spoke and he returned to his body.

On that night—April 22, 1933—Kenneth E. Hagin was born again.\*

In that same year, Kenneth began a determined study of God's Word. And though everyone around him told him to prepare for death, he got a revelation of Mark 11:23–24 and faith for healing was quickened in his young heart. On August 8, 1934, God raised Kenneth off the bed of sickness—completely healed and whole!

It was at this moment that God birthed something greater in Kenneth E. Hagin—a desire to see the lost saved and the sick made well. He began to preach and teach salvation and divine healing wherever he went. Though he didn't know it at the time, this was the beginning of what would become a worldwide ministry—a ministry founded on prayer and the healing truths found in God's Word.

Over 40 years after Kenneth was raised off the bed of sickness, God began to speak to his heart about a change in his ministry. Though he had been ministering on prayer, healing, and faith in crusades and meetings all over the United States, it was time for a new direction.

"I saw it in the spirit," Kenneth said, "that God wants us to have . . . a Prayer and Healing Center where folks can come. And we'll go out to some of them, but some of them need to come and stay until they get healed."

During the afternoon of October 1, 1979, that vision from God became a reality as Kenneth E. Hagin held the first session of Prayer and Healing School. He began by explaining, "These services are going to be different. Many times in healing meetings [people] expect to be healed because hands are laid on them. And that is one way to minister





healing. But even that won't last if you don't get the Word in you.

"No one will receive healing and be able to keep it unless they build a faith of their own. That's because there's an enemy arrayed against us—the Devil—who has come to kill, to steal, and to destroy (John 10:10).

"But when you're equipped with the Word, praise God, it makes the difference. That's one thing that we want to do in these classes—get the Word of God into people. So that's the reason we tell people who need healing, 'You

come and stay until you get healed—whether it's a day, a week, a month, six months, or a year.'"

In these classes, in addition to teaching on healing, Rev. Hagin taught on prayer as the Lord had directed him. "This is not only a Healing School," he noted, "but this is a Prayer School. We're going to learn to pray in various ways. However, in these services, we're not only going to teach prayer, but we're going to pray.

"The Apostle Paul, speaking by the Holy Spirit, tells us to put 'supplications, prayers, and intercessions for all men, for all that are in authority' first (1 Tim. 2:1–3). Let's just follow the directions as simply as God gave them and do what He said to do. And then we'll get results. These prayer

meetings will have an effect around the world."

The effects of Prayer and Healing School have been felt around the world. People and nations have been changed, and adverse situations have been turned around. And Prayer and Healing School's foundation on the Word of God, established 30 years ago, is still as strong today as it ever was.

Through the years, some things have changed. Seeing

Healing School attendees learn to pray out God's plan for their own lives and for the nations. They learn how to receive and keep their healing, and how to minister healing to others by both precept and example.

And though Kenneth E. Hagin went home to be with the Lord in 2003, the anointing has only grown stronger on the RHEMA campus and in Prayer and Healing School.

## THE EFFECTS OF PRAYER AND HEALING SCHOOL HAVE BEEN FELT AROUND THE **world.**

the need for more in-depth teaching on both prayer and healing, Rev. Hagin divided Prayer and Healing School into two separate sessions. Today, Prayer School meets every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 1:00 p.m. from September to May.

Healing School runs morning and afternoon sessions throughout the year. Morning meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. in the Prayer and Healing Center, which opened its doors in 1982. These meetings are open only to people in need of healing and those who accompany them. Afternoon meetings, held at 2:15, are open to RHEMA Bible Training Center students as well as the public.

As they have from the beginning, Prayer and

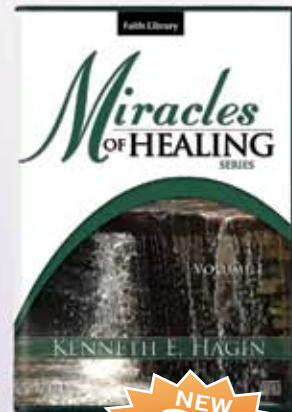
Rev. Hagin's son, Kenneth W. Hagin, and grandson, Craig W. Hagin both minister with a strong healing anointing. And Lynette Hagin, wife of Kenneth W. Hagin, teaches on prayer.

So, as Kenneth E. Hagin said during the first week of Prayer and Healing School, "Come and stay a month with us. Come and stay until you get healed and have your faith built up enough to stay healed. The Spirit of God is moving, and the Word of God always works!"

\*For a full account of Rev. Hagin's New Birth experience, read his minibook *I Went to Hell*.

## God Wants You to Be Healed!

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# Hear, Believe, and Act

**T**he fourteenth chapter of the Book of Acts records the story of a crippled man whose destiny was changed after he came in contact with the Apostle Paul. This man had been lame from birth and had never walked a day in his life. But after hearing Paul preach the message of Christ, he was healed of a lifelong infirmity.

By examining how this man was healed, we can learn simple steps we can take to receive healing for ourselves.

## **ACTS 14:7-10**

**7 And there they [Paul and Barnabas] preached the gospel.**

**8 And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:**

**9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,**

**10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.**



// CRAIG W. HAGIN

From these verses, we can see that both Paul and the crippled man did three things before this healing took place.

### **First**

Paul preached the Gospel. He didn't preach his opinion or his politics or give a motivational speech. His message was simple: Jesus Christ, and Him crucified (1 Cor. 2:1-2).

Although Paul experienced a lot of persecution for the Gospel's sake, he did not allow persecution to stop him from preaching that Gospel. In Acts chapter 13, we see that Paul and Barnabas were expelled from Antioch in Pisidia for preaching Christ. Instead of quitting, they just shook the dust off their feet and travelled to Iconium (Acts 13:51), and then to Lystra and Derbe (Acts 14:6), where Paul continued to preach the Word of God boldly.

# Many people have faith, but they are not healed because they don't **act** on their faith.

## Second

As Paul ministered the Word, he perceived that the crippled man had faith to be healed (Acts 14:9). This indicates that Paul was probably well into his message when he saw a change in the man's face.

You may have had a similar experience. Have you ever tried to explain something to someone, and you could tell that the other person just wasn't getting it? But you kept talking until it seemed as if a light bulb turned on inside him. You knew the moment he understood what you were saying.

It appears that this is what happened to Paul; he could tell when the lame man had faith to be healed.

## Third

Paul commanded the man to get up and walk. He encouraged the man to act on his faith.

These three steps were Paul's part to play in the man's miracle. However, the crippled man was not healed on Paul's faith alone. He also had a part in receiving his miracle. And if he hadn't done his part, he would not have been healed.

What three things did the crippled man do?

## First

He had to hear the Gospel message being preached. Romans 10:17 says that "*Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*" If we don't know what God's Word says about healing, then we can't have faith that God will heal us.

## Second

After the crippled man heard the Word proclaimed, the Scriptures tell us that he had faith to be healed (Acts 14:9). We all have free wills, and we can accept or reject the things we hear. This man chose to believe the words of Paul and accept the message of the Cross. If he had rejected Paul's words, he would have remained a cripple.

## Third

The crippled man had to *act* on what Paul said. Hearing the Word preached was not enough to get the crippled man walking. Neither was having faith to be healed. Many people have faith, but they are not healed because they don't *act* on their faith.

When Paul said to the crippled man, "*Stand upright on thy feet,*" the man could have said, "I can't. I've been lame since birth." But he didn't do that. Although there was no way in the natural for him to stand on his feet, he immediately "leaped and walked" on Paul's command. Only when he took the initiative and *acted* on Paul's command did the healing power of God go into his limbs and strengthen his lifeless legs.

The healing of the crippled man at Lystra outlines three simple steps we can take to receive healing: hear, believe, and act. When we dare to act on the Word of God that we have heard and believed, the seemingly impossible will suddenly become possible! And like the crippled man at Lystra, we will rise and walk! ♥



## Faith Is Now

Receiving anything from God is about being in faith. And faith is "now." In other words, it's present tense. Long before anything has perceptibly changed, faith counts it done. Faith says,

**"I HAVE IT NOW."**

Hope, on the other hand, is future tense. And unfortunately, many people think they're in faith when they're really in hope. They expect to see their prayers answered in the future. Hope says,

**"I WILL HAVE IT SOMEDAY."**

How do you move from hope to faith? It's simple: ". . . *faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God*" (Rom. 10:17 NKJV). Take time to read and meditate on scriptures that pertain to your need. Listen to recordings of quality ministers preaching on that subject. Keep doing this until you can say, "I have it now."

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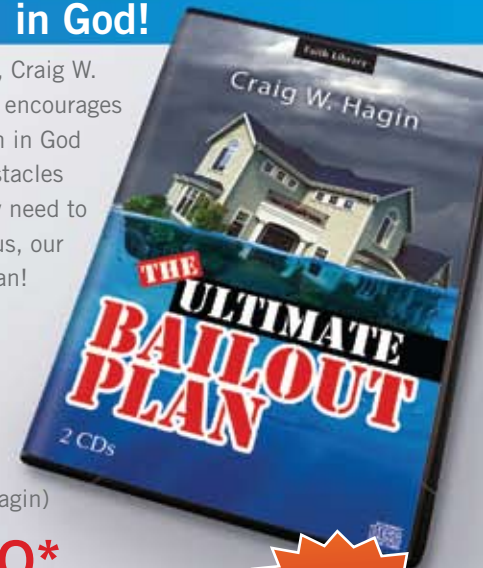
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# Passion Revived at Summer Blitz

At times it's good to get away and be revived—even as a teenager. And that's exactly what nearly 500 youth did at *Summer Blitz*, AXIS® Youth Ministries' annual event held in conjunction with *Campmeeting 2009*. During the five-day event, there were five first-time salvations, 59 rededications, and 31 young people filled with the Holy Spirit. Those results seemed fitting to the event's theme:

## REVIVE.

Brent Bailey and Keith Nachbor, RHEMA Bible Church's Senior and Junior High Youth Pastors, hosted the event on the RHEMA campus in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. They and the guest speakers delivered stirring messages that challenged the teenagers not only to strengthen their relationship with God, but also to share their faith with others—a challenge that many in attendance accepted!

During the Monday night service, Nachbor told the teens that living for God is all or nothing. "You can't give a tithe of your life to God," he said. "You can't live for Him 10 percent of the time and do whatever you want the other 90 percent." At the conclusion of his message, teenagers poured down to the altar to rededicate their lives to Christ.

Bailey's message Thursday evening was titled, "I got that." He encouraged everyone in attendance that every promise in God's Word belongs to them. "If you're sick, God's Word says you are healed by the stripes of Jesus," he said. "If you need peace, the Bible says you can have the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. If it's in the Word, it's yours!"

On Friday the youth enjoyed a day-long trip to an area water park. That night, The AXIS Worship Band and Generation Unleashed wrapped up the week with a high-energy concert.

The week's events were best summed up by one of the youth who attended. "*Summer Blitz* was amazing like always," said Lindsey, a 14-year-old from Wisconsin who was enjoying her third *Summer Blitz*. "I think the Revive theme was perfect. It fit into my life in a lot of ways. It brought me a whole new passion." ♥



**JEFF BARDEL** shared his story about losing his right arm in an industrial accident at the age of 18. He recalled the anger, bitterness, and depression that followed and related how he found new life in Christ while in college. When Bardel finished speaking, several youth responded to the call to begin a new life in Christ.



**DAVID VASQUEZ** ministered on "The Disease to Please." He listed three characteristics of people pleasers: 1) They take criticism personally; 2) They are afraid of rejection; and 3) They have a hard time saying no. He said, "You are to be conformed to the image of Christ, not to the opinion of people."



**DOUG LASIT** compelled the youth to be a voice in their generation. Using Romans 10:14–15 as his text, he encouraged them to be disciples, to serve, and to love the lost. After his message, he had the youth gather in groups and pray for each other—praying specifically that God would use them as evangelists to reach their generation with the Good News.



**AARON HANKINS** ministered on the power of the Holy Spirit and the importance of being filled with the things of God. "God wants you to be filled with Him, His Spirit, His Presence," he said. "You're not meant to live full of the things of the world." He then prayed individually with each person to be filled with the fire of God, after which the entire auditorium full of people erupted in exuberant praise to Him.

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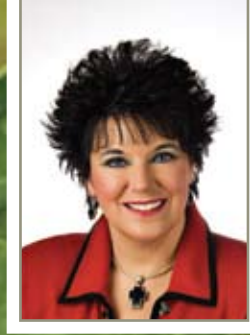


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— Isaiah 58:11 (NIV)

# Seed Thoughts

by Lynette Hagin

When I think of the advancements that have taken place in the world since my birth, I am amazed. In earlier years, Ken and I took our children to Disneyland and visited Tomorrow Land. I was awed at the proposed future technology. Today, most of us now use the technology that was predicted back in the 70s and 80s.

Yet, it seems that with the latest technology, people today are more discontented about life than ever before. People don't enjoy the pleasures and possessions they've been blessed with and are always searching for more.

Paul penned a profound statement: ". . . for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength" (Phil. 4:11-13 NLT).

*The Message* says it a little more plainly, ". . . I've learned by now to be quite content whatever my circumstances. I'm just as happy with little as with much, with much as with little. I've found the recipe for being happy whether full or hungry, hands full or hands empty. Whatever I have, wherever I am, I can make it through anything in the One who makes me who I am."

As a child, I found myself not being content with the stage of life that I was in at the moment. Being a very independent child, I anxiously awaited the time that I would learn to drive and not have to depend on anyone for transportation. In the state of Texas at that time, the legal driving age was 14 if you took a driver's education course. I signed up the minute I qualified and began driving at 14. In looking at children now, I shudder to think that I was driving in the summer following 8th grade.

After finally accomplishing what I had longed for, I found that I didn't enjoy that stage of my life anymore. Instead, I wanted to advance to the next stage of my life. I wanted to get married, have children, and fulfill the call of God upon my life. When these things began to

happen in my life and I still wasn't content, I began to realize that I wasn't enjoying the different stages of my life. Instead, I was always waiting for the next big event to take place. I decided to correct my attitude and enjoy life as it passed me by.

I want to encourage you to do the same. The world has taught us that life is about material things. If you can become big enough, respected enough, rich enough, powerful enough, you will be content and happy in life. However, material possessions alone do not bring you peace and happiness. Some of the most miserable people in the world are able to purchase everything this world possesses. A relationship with God is the only thing that brings peace and contentment in a person's life.

A man in his 80s was asked, "If you had one word of advice for young people, what would it be?" "Don't hurry through life," he replied. "I hurried through life. I was always in a hurry to get to the next thing. I just knew that something better was waiting for me. When I was in my forties, I realized that there had been good things to enjoy in every stage of my life. But I missed them because I was looking forward to something better."

Let me admonish you: Enjoy life. Enjoy your children at the stage they are in now. Enjoy the house you are living in now. Enjoy the job you have now. Don't take the attitude: When my kids get to this age, it will be better. Or, when I make more money or get a bigger house, life will be more enjoyable. No, enjoy life now! Make it fun. Life is too short not to live every moment to its fullest.

Someone once said, "Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away." Live, laugh, enjoy. Enjoy the phase that you are in. One day you may want that phase back. Make the best of every situation and be content. You'll find that circumstances will improve if you will make God the very center of your life.

*Lynette*

## 'I'm on God's Team'



I want them to go back to their homes, schools, and churches and splash Jesus all over the people they come in contact with.

—REV. DENISE BURNS



"It's fun to have fun with Jesus," said Denise Burns, RHEMA Bible Church children's pastor, to a group of eager elementary kids. And "fun" definitely describes the children's services at *Campmeeting 2009*. Games, high-energy praise and worship, and exciting Bible lessons not only kept the kids entertained but taught them to go higher in their relationships with God.

Elementary-aged kids gathered in the Ninowski Recreation Center each day for the Super Sports Spectacular. Following the example of Jesus and His disciples—the greatest team ever—kids discovered the importance of giving God 100 percent, not just in church but wherever they go. They learned that in order to play on God's team, they must follow His instructions—the Bible. "I'm on God's team," the kids yelled. "He's my Captain, and I choose to always follow Him."

During praise and worship, the kids shook things up as they sang and danced to an interactive DVD. With the lights dimmed, the music loud, and their hands in the air, kids had a great time praising Jesus. "They were all up on their feet, singing at the top of their lungs and jumping around," Rev. Burns said. "It was just a lot of great energy. You could tell they were really excited."

In their own classroom, preschool kids went "underwater" in *To the Depths*. As they "dove in" through an interactive DVD, they learned to spend time with God and enjoy a deeper relationship with Him. In Bible-based lessons like the Good Samaritan, they also learned to be kind to others and to obey their parents. "The kids love it," said Alisha Damron, RHEMA Bible Church preschool director. "They're really focused in." Whether they were singing and dancing during praise and worship, creating crafts, or playing on inflatable games, preschoolers had an awesome time.

Each day of *Campmeeting* was extraordinary as children's hearts were set on fire for God. In the elementary services alone, 61 children were born again and filled with the Holy Spirit. "I just want the kids to leave with more of a passion for God," said Rev. Burns. "I want them to go back to their homes, schools, and churches and splash Jesus all over the people they come in contact with." ♥

## Faith Match-Up!



Reading and hearing God's Word helps to build your faith when you're facing different needs in your life. Read the NEEDS in the left column and match them up with the scripture in the right column that builds your faith for that need to be met.

**A. protection**

**B. healing**

**C. provision**

**D. wisdom**

**E. peaceful sleep**

- My God shall supply all of your needs according to His riches in glory—Philippians 4:19
- If any of you lacks wisdom let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally—James 1:5
- When you lie down you will not be afraid; you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet—Proverbs 3:24
- He forgives all your iniquities, he heals all your diseases—Psalm 103:3
- He shall give His angels charge over you to keep you in all your ways—Psalm 91:11



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