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In part one, we were reminded that God has much more pardon, healing, peace, protection, and the supply of everything else that we may need—or ever could need.

God always says that everything is much more while Satan says it is much less. All too often we listen to Satan.

Nothing that can happen on this earth can really do us harm because we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. God has deliverance out of every circumstance or situation. All worry, discouragement, and fear will be taken out of our lives as soon as we get the least idea of God's much more.

God freely gave us His Son, so with Him He will freely give us everything else.

As we see this much more in receiving these things through prayer (Matthew 7<sup>th</sup> chapter), we are to receive this gift of pardon, this cleansing, this fulness of the Spirit, this gift of righteousness, and this healing, through prayer.

I want us to catch this "much more" in prayer. There is a "much more" in passage I am going to speak on, which can be exchanged for a "much less" we often think we must accept through Satan's suggestions, instead of God's "much more"; then confidence will spring up and take hold of us and we will have a foundation of faith which will bring the deliverance.

Jesus says — "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

He gives us the facts that prayer is the foundation principle on which to receive overflowing blessings—this "much more" which Jesus Christ has provided. It is all to be received through prayer.

"For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

We are to ask, we are to seek, and we are to knock. In other words, we are not to take "No" for an answer, when we ask for any of those things; pardon, cleansing, fulness of the Spirit, peace, healing, or whatever it may be.

Luke 11:9-12—"And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? or if he ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil."

Now consider this carefully: If we, with our fallen human nature, powerless and limited as it is, by human frailty of every kind- "know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more"... (Verse 13)

Now just stop and consider for a moment. If you had a child, what would you do if you had as much power as God; what would you do for them? If you had all the power God has? I know what you would do. You would buy them nice clothing, give them the best education, they would have the most comfortable bed, they would have the best environments you could have for them to make life pleasant and happy. You would find them the very best husband, or wife, and the best positions; you would desire them to have perfect peace and health. Well, these are just the things God has provided in Christ Jesus.

"How much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" (Verse 13)

James 1:16-17— "Do not err, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

Now, we come to prayer; by a step of faith we are to receive these things in the present moment; not to wait a moment for them; by a step of faith, we are to accept the grace, righteousness, healing, and peace, and in fact, every good thing we ask for. There is only one thing which could possibly hinder our receiving these blessings, and

that is UNBELIEF, and, we do not have to tolerate unbelief unless we choose.

Let us go back to Romans 5th chapter— "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into his grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God." (Verses 1&2)

The pastor continued, "Now if I was on the floor of this building and desired to come up to this platform, I would have to come up three steps, which would land me on it. Just so we take one step of faith, and it will take us from sin to righteousness and from sickness to health. It is just one step of faith from trouble to peace. I will show you how this works. It must be in the present moment. Many people may pray for peace in their homes and wait for something to happen before they believe. We have done that many times. We are to pray once and then stop and step out in faith, believing the thing is done."

People pray for health and expect that health to come in the future. One step of faith would bring deliverance in the present moment. Beloved, there is only one time in which God has promised to save, cleanse, fill with the Spirit, or heal: that is in the present moment. "Now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation."

When you get ready to take things in the present moment, it will be comparatively easy to get victory for whatever we are praying for: deliverance from sin, fulness of the Spirit, deliverance from disease; we can cut short by taking it by faith. When the trolley pole is on the wire, the car will run; if the pole is off, if the pole and wire are not coupled, it will not run. It is the same with our faith, the moment we are ready to believe, that moment we will receive.

The pastor continued, "I received a letter from a sister who has been praying for victory in her home, and while there seems to be some improvement, there is not the great victory that she desires, and it was revealed to us through that letter, that she expects that deliverance in the future. Ah, yes, "when God gets a chance, He will bring us to victory, after He has trained us and brought us into lots of trouble; in the future," is the language of the average heart.

We can make a short cut by FAITH. We pray for victory over sin, weakness in our lives;

pray for healing of disease in our body, but we can cut short by faith, counting the work done; it is one of the "much more's" of the provision God has made. This is brought out very clearly in Mark Ch 2, how these things are done in the present moment.

"And again, he entered into Capernaum, after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house. And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them." (Verses 1 & 2) He told them what He had come to do and how it was to be done.

"And they came unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four. And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay. When Jesus saw their faith." (Verses 3-5)

What did He see? He saw they had come to believe; they had come for a present-moment deliverance, to receive it right there; had come to take the goods home with them. They had not come half-hearted. We too ought to determine when we start out not to take "No" for an answer but be willing to go through fire or water to get to Christ and receive that deliverance.

Suppose you had gone to the dry goods store to purchase some dry goods, had paid for them, and then wrapped up and put on the counter, and then went down the street to buy some other things. Well, anyone who knows anything would have to admit that those things were ready whenever you came after them. They could be taken and enjoyed. You would simply say: "I will go to the store and get my goods and take them home." You could take them away; no one could stop you.

Now, suppose you went to the store and were not ready to take the goods; you would look at the goods and stand at the counter and walk away, and would say: "I have no faith to buy those goods," and would go home again. You would be surprised at the number of people who act that way with salvation, victory in overcoming sin, and with healing.

Now these men came to Jesus the same as you would go to the store to get a package of goods

when they were wrapped; you would take them home. The Blood of Jesus Christ and His great work on the Cross have provided these things how much more will God give them to us when we go after them? That is the point He is making to inspire faith.

"When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, 'Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." (Verse 5)

He knew that man was ready to believe for that pardon, believe that it had been done, had been provided for him. His pardon and grace is always ahead of our sin. Then why wait? We do not have to wait, for grace is far beyond our sin at all times; all we have to do is take the water of life freely.

"But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God only?" (Verses 6&7)

We are waiting to have our sins forgiven, until God Himself comes down and does it. We do not want to take any pardon in the present moment; we are waiting for something wonderful to happen before we believe our sins are pardoned.

"And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, 'Why reason ye these things in your heart?" (Verse 8)

What sense, or reason, is there in it; how foolish not to take the step of faith this man has taken and receive your deliverance.

"Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, take up thy bed, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house." (Verses 9-11)

Now, that disease had been a long time bringing that man into that helpless state; it no doubt started with one foot, then the other foot, then went to the leg and eventually to the rest of his body.

Some people tell us: "My trouble first started in a little weakness and seemed to go farther and farther and in about six months I began to get helpless."

The pastor continued, "I tell you; God's provision is much greater than any disease. How "much more" is God's healing power than our disease? It took about two minutes to bring to that man, God's healing power and set him free from his disease at once. It did not take God two minutes to perfect the work, how much greater is God's power and how "much more" can God heal any disease that can afflict us; do you catch that point?

"And immediately he arose, and took up his bed, and went forth before them all.

The real point of the whole matter is thisthat if God's grace and righteousness is much more than our sin, and if God's healing is "much more" than any power to oppress; if we are to receive from God "much more" than we would give good gifts to our children, then we are to act on that full deliverance and immediately the power of God will come in and set us free, spiritually, physically, financially, and in all that concerns us.

Let us take God's "much more" deliverance and accept it for what we need, God's "much more" of pardon, greater righteousness, God's "much more" of healing, God's "much more" of everything.

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