A NEW MEDICINE

During the past several years it has been my peculiar privilege to meet with physicians in many parts of the world and to visit a number of medical institutions including colleges of Medicine. These travels have taken me to Europe on several occasions including meeting with doctors and nurses in Poland and Czechoslovakia. Recently I was at Port of Spain General Hospital in Trinidad and Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Barbados where I spoke to medical and nursing personnel in America and Canada the opportunities for developing a new, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit empowered Medicine increase every day. Medical evangelism is no longer a theory but a thrilling reality.

Medical and nursing practice wherever evaluated represent a great monolithic structure whose primary characteristic is inertia coupled with amazing conformism. The inertia is not directed toward medical or surgical innovativism as much as it directed toward philosophy of practice. Recently it has been reported that Dr. Christian Barnard had been offered $250,000 to come to the United States as a consultant to a group of neuro-surgeons to aid in the transplantation of a human head. He refused on moral and ethical grounds. What is of interest to me is not only his reasons for refusal but the startling fact that the Christian nation of the USA would be involved in such a horridious project! One inertia is not in the direction of scientific innovation but in the direction of the deeper consideration of the true nature of man--man the patient and man the physician himself. Alexis Carrel wrote in "Man The Unknown" that as long as man can project away from himself (into space, the universe, distant continents, scientific projects involving patients, etc.), he successfully avoids having to look into his own being.

Jesus said, "Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal Thyself." (Luke 4:23) Deafbless the proverb should be said unto physicians today. That which makes physician and patient human is the spirit and so much that is scientific violates the spirit. The source of healing (man’s spirit anointed by the Holy Spirit) is not only ignored but destroyed...just as a muscle can atrophy as a result of disuse, so can the intellect undergo disuse atrophy from social causes as well as actual physical destruction from chemical causes. (Consider here the effect of alcohol and drugs upon the gray matter.) Again, so it is with the spirit. In world medicine, the Logos is not remotely considered in terms of etiology, pathogenesis or therapy of disease states. Virtually no attempt is made to instruct medical and nursing students regarding the eternal Logos (of himself or his patient). Since this is so poorly understood, even the new Oral Roberts University Medical School could develop into simply more psychosomatically without the understanding of the Logos. When I was at ORU in February I became aware that this is already true regarding the nursing program. (Government standards, etc., are all standards, nursing school standards must be met--and the spiritual gets pushed aside.) This happens in our own lives and practice. When the anointed spirit is not faithfully consulted and explicitly taught, it is in danger of disuse atrophy.

In a recent newsletter from a Christian brother, one notes that their conferences call for sessions on "soul healing." This is further departure from the Logos; and thus it is with "inner healing" and "healing of the deep mind." Although these are legitimate areas of psychological and psychiatric endeavor--Is this not what pastoral psychology professes to do?--nevertheless, when are we going to get away from Freud, Jung and Adler and get back to Jesus who always points not to the psyche but to the Logos? It has been my conviction that as long as the deceived can keep man by whatever means from thinking and seeing spiritually, praying in the Spirit, singing in the Spirit, walking in the Spirit, operating-diagnosing-treating-healing IN THE SPIRIT, he will still have us parked under the tree of knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 3:1-24) listening to his logic and partaking of his offerings.

In the New Medicine now coming forth, let us simply make the decision to:

1) Pray always in the Spirit,
2) See the patient spiritually, as well as psychosomatically,
3) Consider the patient and his relationship to the Logos in diagnosis and treatment,
4) Take time to listen to Jesus,
5) Heal spiritually through prayer and vital contact with the patient as well as psychosomatically,
6) Be willing to give of ourselves,
7) Always give the patient the truth,
8) Always be willing to try--to walk the additional mile,
9) Be willing to listen or to just be there,
10) Fight the evil that is disease with every available ethical method,
11) Begin to instruct the patient in how to live and how to have life abundant (disease-free life),
12) See the patient and oneself in the light of God’s Word through daily study,
13) Keep abreast of scientific medicine and practice in the light of the latest methods tempered by spiritual discipline.

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OCT. 19,20,21--Dr. Reed and Kay, Christian Medical Foundation of Canada Third Annual Conference, Hotel Triumph, 2737 Keele St., Toronto, Ont. Contact Mr. Jack Thompson, P.O. Box 107, Keswick, Ont., Canada.

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