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aspects of our being but we have given minimal consideration to spirituality. We have considered spirituality to be an aspect of intellectuality if it is considered at all. In Medicine we have been taught to practice psycho-somatic medicine. We have relied upon religious leaders to be teachers of Godly spirituality but often their "spirituality" is largely a form of intellectuality. God's Word in John 6:63 tells us "it is the Spirit who gives life. The truths that I have been speaking to you are Spirit and life". Life itself is a gift of God unto man. At the time of conception, life is given to the baby in the mother's womb. Life continues until the time of birth and continues until the time of death.

When man is born again his spiritual potential is activated and he becomes a person with life and also with a spirit of life and truth. Thus the human goes from life with spiritual potential to life with Spirit. This is also true with his intellectual potential. Both Spirit and intellect have to grow and to differentiate. This is also true of his physical life. By an act of his will the human being places body or mind or spirit into his primary focus of life. We are instructed in God's Word to "seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness". Often in our society in this century, most of mankind puts soul and body before spirituality. This is also true of World governments, industry, education, and life in general. In the practice of Medicine, the spiritual aspect of humanity is rarely if ever considered.

In Christian Medical Foundation we have attempted to place Spirituality and Godliness in the primary positions of our lives and practice. This has been true since our beginning in East Texas fifty (50) years ago. I have been a practicing surgeon for over sixty-five (65) years, a Board surgeon since 1956. I also have a Master's degree in surgery from the University of Michigan. I accepted Christ at age ten and received the fullness of the Holy Spirit fifty-one (51) years ago in Philadelphia. God has blessed me every step of the way. What I shall be doing as age eighty-eight (88) approaches, God only knows.

Please pray for me, for Coppi, and Christian Medical Foundation at this very special time in our existence.
Coppi’s Encounter

Malachi 4:2 Says but unto you that fear my name shall the Sun (Son) of righteousness arise with healing in His wings…” Exodus 15:26 says for I am the Lord that health thee…”

Standish and I recently returned from CFO 2010 Resurrection Retreat held at Lake Yale Baptist Assembly, Leesburg, FL where many blessings of our Lord were manifested. It was a blessed time of Praise and Worship, testimonies, and wonderful Bible teaching. But what I want to write about was an encounter we had while waiting to go have dinner. Standish and I were sitting on a bench in the courtyard outside the dining hall at Lake Yale Baptist Assembly where all attending various retreats dined when we heard a voice exclaiming “What’s that in your hand”! Then we noticed a head with a flock of white hair that was “spiked” around his ruddy colored countenance. “It’s my sword” Standish responded. He laughed and came over to talk with us. He was from Ukraine attending a Ukraine Baptist Conference at Lake Yale. He had a very thick Ukraine accent. He was in his seventies he told us. He also joyfully told us “I was healed by Jesus”. I said “tell us about it”. Of course, he was delighted to do so.

Following is his testimony:

“I went to my doctor as I was experiencing difficulties in my physical body. They took the usually tests and x-rays and when the reports came back my doctor called me to come in as he needed to talk with me regarding the tests. When I went in to see him, he explained that what he was going to tell me was not good. I told him that I was a big-tough guy and that I could handle anything he told me. He then said you have cancer and only 5-months to live. I broke down and profusely started crying. He said I thought you could handle anything? “I didn’t expect to hear my death sentence” I sobbed. I was admitted to the hospital to start chemotherapy and radiation treatments the next day. When I finally was settled into my room, I broke down sobbing uncontrollably – then I got of bed and sat in a chair and prayed “Jesus, I am all alone will you please come talk to me”. He said at that moment it felt as though an electric current went through my body and I knew without a doubt something happened to me. I crawled into bed and went to sleep and I slept like a baby. When the doctor came in the next morning, he said the technicians would come shortly and take me for my chemo treatments. I told him, “no, not until you request more tests be run on me”, and then I told him what happened the night before. He was not happy with my requests or my testimony but after my insistence he said okay. The tests came back negative and I was sent home which of course was a witness to my doctor and others of the healing power of Jesus. Then with joy and laughter, he said “I am now in my seventies”! What a joy it was for Standish and me to meet this wonderful Ukrainian. His accent, his countenance and posture reflected the miracle that happened in his life.

In Acts 9:5 when Saul (Paul) met Jesus on the road to Damascus when suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven and he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutes thou me? And he said who are thou Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus…...” and, I say who is Jesus to you and to me. Is He a “Light unto your path and your constant companion” – yes, to me, He is my Way, Truth, and Life and a Light unto my path!