

*From the editor*

For this issue, we would like to share with you Pastor Peter's message "Reconciliation Prayer," given in the healing service on July 13, 2008.

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## Reconciliation Prayer

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Reconciliation does not mean just to make peace with others. It is God's one-sided forgiveness and healing. The meaning and implication of "reconciliation" may be foreign to us, but nothing else is closer to our lives and more joyous to our hearts.

I have done much thinking and quite a few experiments on prayer since I was young. There are various kinds of healing prayer: command, scripture quoting and prayer with faith to move mountains. There are many forms of prayer, but they are all the same in essence because they are to fulfill the will of the Lord. Among them is the prayer of reconciliation, which is, I believe, most practical and effective.

When my physical condition is not well, I place my hands on my body and command it, "Receive Christ's reconciliation!"

Let me tell you how I came to find this prayer.

Years ago, I read an interesting essay written by Hans Selye, a Hungarian doctor, who was an expert on the study of stress.

He says that cancer cells are different from any other cells. Normal cells harmonize with one another in the human body, but cancer cells do not. Once emanating in man's body, cancer cells dare to destroy the physical harmony. They become militant, invading neighboring cells and establishing their dominance over others. This power game so much resembles some nations in our world. How "ambitious" they are!

Dr. Selye calls them "self-assertive cells." Indeed, they are. Don't they also resemble our ego? We are more or less egoistic creatures, exercising aggressive dominance over others. Every one of us possesses self-assertive cells.

"Cancer cells? Why not eradicate them?" you may argue. It is a legitimate opinion. In today's medicine, I understand there are three major cancer treatments: chemotherapy, radiation and operation. I have no knowledge of medicine, but I believe there should be one more, namely the *biblical* treatment, which has no side-effect whatsoever.

The *biblical* treatment is based on Christ's redemptive work. In Jesus Christ, God has completed the perfect reconciliation, bringing all creation into harmony.

All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:18-19)

In Christ, God reconciled us to Himself. This is the ground for the *biblical* treatment. The fact that God redeemed the whole creation into His love, I believe, initiates an entirely new method. Cancer cells are included in Christ's

reconciliation. They are acting quite violent and looking very mean. Why not bring them to the Lord's presence? Instead of treating them as ugly enemies, we invite them into the holy light of the Spirit. Cancer cells, come now to the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, for He has redeemed you as well. In Christ, you are reconciled together with the rest of the body.

Thus, they are brought to the Lord's love and light. When exposed in the redeeming light, they are transfigured and integrated into the light of God.

For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light."  
(Ephesians 5:12-14)

The above scripture can be applied not only to our spiritual condition, but also to our physical condition. The Bible is after all for the whole being.

So long as cancer cells are not acknowledged, they exist "in secret" and are treated as "shameful." When they are invited to the Lord's Table of reconciliation, they are exposed by His light and become visible. Surely they lose their vicious aggressiveness and finally accept God's forgiveness. How joyfully the whole body receives the *biblical* treatment! Christ's reconciliation now becomes our healing.

"Receive the reconciliation of Christ."

The *biblical* treatment is most practical and effective. Place your hands on affected areas of your body and command, "Receive the reconciliation of Jesus Christ." And praise the Lord for His work.

The more you praise, the more the healing power of Christ is enhanced.

In fact, reconciliation prayer is effective not only for cancer, but also for any ailment, because the redemption of the Lord was and is and will be for the whole man.

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In Christ God not only forgave all of our sins, but also entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. We are His instruments of divine healing for the entire world.

Declare, therefore, God's reconciliation to the whole creation, who are longing to hear our proclamation of God's grand fact. This is the reconciliation prayer.

There is nothing more practical than this. You can apply it also to your family and to your community. Say to the ailing earth, "Receive Christ's reconciliation and be healed."

Do you say it is such a big prayer? Didn't the Lord say, "He who believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I go to the Father (John 14:12)"?

Surely we are entrusted with His prayer mission for the healing of the earth. It is the most needed work for this eschatological generation. Be obedient to His calling and engage in His work, or be perished. Live or die, the choice is your.

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