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# **Praying in the Power of the Cross**

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I have been involved in the ministry of divine healing since 1972 and during those years I have seen many remarkable healings take place, and I thank God for that. But we are always looking to move on in this ministry, so that the power of God can be released in an even fuller way, and greater healing can take place. Towards the end of 2002 I believe that the Lord revealed to me a new way of praying, based on the power of the Cross. We believe as Christians that on the Cross Jesus won a wonderful victory - over sin and evil and death and sickness. What we need to do is learn to accept and receive for ourselves the fruits of that victory.

When Jesus cried out on the Cross '*It is finished*' I believe that that is exactly what He meant: the work He had come to do was completely finished.

The power of sin and evil and death and sickness had been broken. But if the fruits of that victory are going to become real in our lives then we need to learn how to receive them. The Lord has helped me to understand how to do this.

This is what I suggest: -

1. Go to a place where you are not going to be disturbed.
2. Identify a need in your own life, or in some other person or situation that you are going to pray about.
3. Close your eyes and start to come close to God in a way that is appropriate to you.

4. After a minute or two start to focus on the Cross. Remind yourself of the victory that Jesus won on the Cross, at great cost to Himself: that the power of sin and sickness and death and evil have been broken through what Jesus did there: that His work is complete.

5. SURRENDER your NEED, your DIFFICULTY to GOD and LEAVE it with HIM.

6. Now you are ready to receive what Jesus won for you on the Cross. I suggest that you use a very simple prayer:

*'Lord, I accept the healing that You won for me on the Cross, and I praise You for that.'*

You can repeat that prayer just to give it extra impact in your affirmation of faith.

You can simply remain quiet for a minute or longer, or you can praise Jesus for what He won for you and that you are receiving that wonderful gift now.

7. It is important not to strive. Just rest in the assurance of what Jesus has done and **gently receive by faith** the healing that He has won for you on the Cross.

8. You can pray this way about anything: for peace, reconciliation of a broken relationship, strength, a closer walk with God, healing for someone who is sick, peace in

Northern Ireland, protection for people who are in difficult situations, people in pain, victory over temptation.

9. I always focus on the healing, on God's answer, and not on the problem. We may wish to mention the problem and talk it through with the Lord at the beginning of our time of prayer. But when we come to receive the healing, we refer only to God's answer: - *'Lord, I accept the **healing** that You won for me on the Cross, and I praise You for that'*.

10. If we start to worry about the problem or sickness again, and that is likely if the difficulty is a serious one, then we simply affirm God's answer again in the way suggested.

11. We can carry this prayer with us in our hearts and minds throughout the day. If we say it many times in the course of a day then it will help us to stay in touch with the Lord as well as receive the fruits of that wonderful victory on the Cross.

12. It is faith that brings this prayer alive. When we really believe that Jesus broke the power of sin and sickness and evil and death, and that He wants to share the fruits of that victory with us, then we are open to receive and accept everything He won for us.

*13.* I suggest that we take 15 or 20 minutes to pray in this way. If we wish we may take longer, not striving but resting in the assurance of what Jesus has done for us.

May the Lord bless you as you pray this prayer, and may His mighty power released upon the Cross be released through every part of you.

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