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The Healing of Relationships

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Anyone involved in the healing ministry knows they have to deal with all kinds of healing. On a recent trip to New York, quite a few people who had financial problems came for ministry. Many also came because they were involved in relationships under strain.

I ministered to one woman who wept at the communion rail as she talked about the deterioration in her relationship with her husband. I did not have time to counsel her there but after praying with her I asked her to see me at the end of the service.

I simply wanted to tell her about a technique recommended by Agnes Sanford in 'The Healing Light'. She recommends anyone who has a broken relationship to take fifteen minutes each day for prayer, preferably at the same time and in the same place.

They are to relax, close their eyes and picture themselves getting on well with the person with whom the relationship is broken. Then quietly and gently they give thanks to God that that is how He is making the relationship.

Agnes Sanford is very empathic that it is not just prayer that heals, but the prayer of faith. So she encourages us to believe for an answer to our prayer, to thank God that He is answering it, not just during the special daily time of prayer, but also at various other times during the day when the problem comes back into our mind.

During a trip to England I met a man who was very distressed that the relationship between himself and his

son had almost completely broken down. Although the son lived only on the other side of the city, he never made any contact with his father. It was always the father who had to make the first move and usually when they did occasionally get together things did not go too well.

The father was so distressed at this situation that his health was starting to be affected in a very serious way so he was prepared to listen seriously when I told him about this type of prayer recommended by Agnes Sanford.

Not only did he listen, but he practised as well. In a very short time he was writing to tell me how much better the relationship with his son was. Not only had the son taken the initiative in wanting to come and see him, but things went so much better when they did get together.

It requires discipline to spend fifteen minutes each day in this kind of prayer, picturing ourselves getting on well with the other person and thanking God that He is making it so. But that prayer of faith can be a very powerful healer of relationships.

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