

5 STEP HEALING AND POWER EVANGELISM MODEL

LIVING AN AS YOU GO LIFESTYLE

1. APPROACH | 2. ASK | 3. PRAY | 4. ASSESS | 5. EXPLAIN

STEP 1 : APPROACH – HOW CAN I BEST APPROACH THIS PERSON?

When approaching someone, always follow the way of love and treat each person with respect and honor. Approach the person with faith in Jesus' commission to heal the sick. Be confident in the Holy Spirit's present activity in the person's life you are approaching.

- Smile. Be friendly. Introduce yourself, and ask the person's name. (Use a breath mint!)
- Avoid Christianese (religious jargon that others may not understand). Be yourself.
- Experiment with creativity in your approach. Different approaches work best for different people.
- Remember, all approaches involve RISK. Risk opens the door for the impossible.

HOW CAN I PRAY FOR YOU APPROACH :

- "Can I pray for you for any physical or spiritual needs?" You can use this approach anywhere. This does not require you to observe a need or receive a word of knowledge. The only requirement is a heart of love and taking a risk.

VISIBLE NEED APPROACH :

- When you see someone with a physical need, such as a crutch or obvious pain, a possible approach could be "I noticed you have a crutch. You look like you are in pain. What happened to you?" People often love to share about what is going on in their lives; they are just looking for a listening ear.

WORD OF KNOWLEDGE APPROACH :

- "Sometimes I get pictures and impressions for people about physical needs or things that are going on in their lives. Would you like me to share what I sensed for you?" This approach often evokes curiosity and invites conversation. If the person is interested, then you can share the impression you had for them. Don't give up if you get the word of knowledge or impression wrong. It's OK to miss it. Missing it can be an icebreaker to a spiritual conversation. You can then ask if they have any needs you can pray for.

3 COMMON WAYS WORDS OF KNOWLEDGE COME :

- See it: A picture in your imagination or an open-eyed vision
- Feel it: A physical sympathy pain that you can feel in your body
- Think it: A word or phrase you hear internally, a subtle thought, or an inner knowing
- Most words of knowledge come as quick, fleeting impressions.

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STEP 2 : ASK – WHAT IS THE NEED?

Ask questions to find out basic information about the person and condition. Listen for responses on two planes: listen to the person, and listen to the Holy Spirit for more revelatory insight.

- "Where is your pain? How would you rate the pain level on a scale from 0 to 10 with 10 being excruciating? How long have you had the condition? Do you know what caused it? Can I pray for you now about that?"
- Always ask first "May I put my hand on your shoulder?" or "Can I hold your hand as I pray?"
- If the person seems uneasy about you touching them or praying for them, you can say, "No one's going to know that we are praying. I'll keep my eyes open and pray just like we are having a conversation."

STEP 3 : PRAY – HOW DO WE PRAY?

Speak with confidence in the authority Jesus has given us. Use prayers of command, not petitioning prayers. Invite the presence of the Holy Spirit to come.

- Speak to the pain or the condition and tell it to go. In most public settings, you may only have 15-30 seconds to pray for someone, so it helps to keep your prayers short.
- Most often when praying for healing, there is a spirit of infirmity or trauma attached. Command the spirit to leave, such as, "I command infirmity to go, and I break the power of trauma."

STEP 4 : ASSESS – WHAT HAS HAPPENED AS A RESULT OF PRAYER?

Ask the person what they are beginning to experience in their body.

- They may experience relief of symptoms, warmth, tingling, coolness, shaking, or other signs of God's presence. Pointing out God's activity keeps connection and engagement in the prayer process.
- Ask where the pain level is now on the 0 to 10 scale. For example, you could say, "You said the pain started at a 10, but now it's a 5. If it went from a 10 to a 5, I believe it can go to a 0."
- Ask them to move and do something they couldn't do before to test the effectiveness of the prayer. Most often, signs of healing come as they move their body around and test it out.
- They may experience nothing. Ask the person if you could pray again. Go back into Step 3 (Pray) if the pain is not fully gone and if they are open to more prayer.

STEP 5 : EXPLAIN - HELP THE PERSON UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED

Without explanation, people will not always draw the correct conclusions from their experience.

- Explain that what they experienced was Jesus coming near them because He loves them and He desires a relationship with them. Tell them, "What God did in your body, He wants to do in your whole life."
- Explain the gospel to them in simple terms, and then invite them to respond.
- Explain to them a simple way they might open their heart to Jesus by asking this question: "If Jesus were standing at the door of your heart knocking, would you let him in or ignore his knock?" If they respond that they would open the door, then you can pray with them to receive Jesus in their heart.
- Explain how they can connect more with Jesus and find a church or community of believers to help them grow in their relationship with Jesus.
- Explain that what they have freely received, they can now freely give away.
- Explain how they can share with others what just happened to them and how they too can pray for others.
- As a first step of discipleship, you could share this 5-step model with them.