HEALING - BODY SOUL SPIRIT 9 - CREATING A CULTURE THAT PROMOTES DIVINE HEALTH

2Cor. 13:11 Finally, brethren, farewell. **Become complete** (WHOLE). Be of **good comfort** (BE ENCOURAGED),

be of one mind (BE FOCUSED, have a SINGLE-MINDED PURSUIT),

live in peace (WITHOUT CONFLICT, ORDER TO CHAOS, THE SHALOM OF HIS PRESENCE- THE PEACE OF THE TIGER COMING TO THE WATERING HOLE - National Geographic);

and the **God of love and peace** will be with you. (HIS PRESENCE WITH US)

- 1. <u>DIVINE HEALTH</u> EXISTS WHEN WE LIVE IN THE SHALOM OF GOD.
- Psa. 91:1 He who dwells in <u>the secret place</u> of the Most High Shall abide <u>under the shadow</u> of the Almighty (HIS SHALOM).
- I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."
- Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler And from the perilous pestilence.
- He shall cover you with His feathers,
 And under His wings you shall take refuge;
 His truth shall be your shield and buckler.
 - 2. <u>HIS SHALOM</u> BRINGS US HIS PROTECTION, PROSPERITY, RESTORATION, WHOLENESS, HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. IT IS OFTEN USED AS A GREETING AND A BLESSING TOWARD OTHERS.
- Rom. 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
 - GREEK CONCEPT OF PEACE is the absence of conflict, including peace with God in the sense of reconciliation.
- Rom. 5:3 And NOT ONLY THAT, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that

tribulation produces perseverance; ⁴ and perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ Now hope does not disappoint, because **the love of God has been poured out in our hearts** by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

- HEBREW CONCEPT OF PEACE is more about our internal experience of His care and covering for our life.
- <u>It's possible to be at **peace** when **turmoil** continues around us. It's also possible to have inner turmoil when everything around us is peaceful and calm.</u>
 - HIS PEACE IS OUR SHELTER AND REFUGE. IT IS THE
 ATMOSPHERE WE CULTIVATE WITH THE TRUST AND
 SUBMISSION OF OUR HEART TO HIS TRUTH AND REVELATION
 TO US.
 - 3. <u>HIS JOY IS OUR STRENGTH</u>. SO MUCH OF WHAT WE APPREHEND OF HEALTH AND HEALING COMES TO US WHEN CHOOSE TO LIVE IN THE AWARENESS OF HIS PRESENCE IN ALL THINGS.

Neh. 8:10 Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. <u>Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength</u>."

- NEHEMIAH ENCOURAGED THE PEOPLE NOT TO FOCUS ON THE LOSS OF PAST GLORY BUT ON THE PRESENT VICTORY OF GOD'S GOODNESS TO THEM.
- THEIR CELEBRATION WAS CONSIDERED RECOGNITION OF HIS HOLINESS. THEY <u>CHOSE</u> TO <u>STEP TOWARD JOY AND AWAY</u> FROM SORROW TO FIND STRENGTH.
- 3. OUR UNION WITH CHRIST IS THE SHELTER WHERE HIS PEACE EXISTS FOR US.

John 17:20 "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; ²¹ that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. ²² And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that

they may be one just as We are one: ²³ I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

UNDERSTANDING ONENESS

- OUR ONENESS IS BUILT ON THE TEMPLATE OF THE TRINITY
- WE ARE INCLUDED IN THE DIVINE ONENESS POSITIONALLY
- THAT THE WORLD MAY BELIEVE THIS INWARD REALITY IS DEMONSTRATED OUTWARDLY. WE ARE TO SHOW THE WORLD OUR ONENESS.
- ONENESS COMES WITH GLORY (HIS OUTWARD RADIANCE, HIS CHARACTER REVEALED, HIS POWER DEMONSTRATED)
- BECAUSE JESUS IS IN US AND FATHER IS IN HIM, FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT ARE IN US JUST AS WE ARE IN THEM.

4. THE IMPLICATIONS OF ONENESS:

- THERE IS NO SICKNESS IN CHRIST
- IT IS FINISHED HIS SUFFERING HEALED ME
- BECAUSE WE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST WE CREATE THE EXPRESSION OF THIS ONENESS THROUGH OUR LOVE.
- LOVE HEALS AND RESTORES ALL OF US. IT CREATES AN ATMOSPHERE THAT PROMOTES HEALING AND HEALTH.
- IF WE STEP INTO THIS ONENESS, WE WILL HAVE AN ATMOSPHERE THAT RELEASES A HIGHER LEVEL OF HEALING AND DIVINE HEALTH AROUND US.

PSALM 91:5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night,

Nor of the arrow that flies by day,

- Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday.
- 7 A thousand may fall at your side,

- And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you.
- Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked.
- Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place,
- 10 No evil shall befall you,

Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;

- For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.
- In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra,

 The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.
 - 5. PROVIDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR HEALING AND HEALTH THROUGH JESUS CHRIST TO OUR REGION
 - WE WILL NEED TO ACCEPT HIS SHALOM COMPLETELY
 - WE WILL NEED TO DWELL IN HIS SHELTER CONTINUALLY
 - WE WILL NEED TO CELEBRATE OUR ONENESS IN HIS GLORY
 - WE WILL NEED EMBRACE THE STRENGTH THAT COMES WITH HIS JOY. STEP AWAY FROM SORROW TOWARD HIS PROVISION