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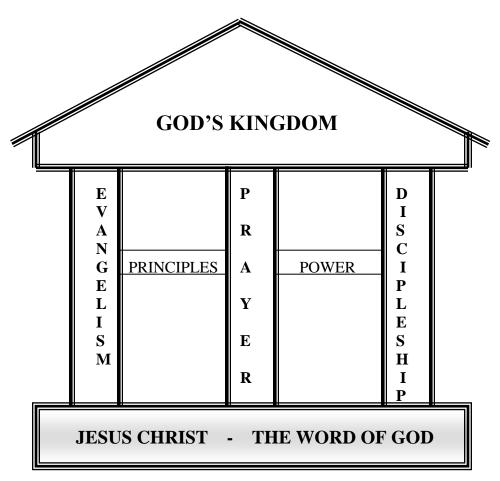
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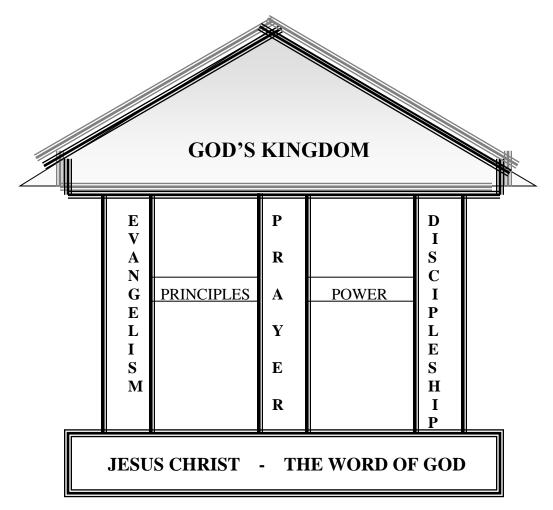




At the end of this study, you will have:

- * Reviewed a Biblical perspective on God's overall plan for this world.
- Understood how the Lord's plan could affect your life.
- Examined the strategic position of the Health Field in His Kingdom-plan.
- Considered your involvement in this majestic plan of God.

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1. GOD'S IDEAL

1.1 God's plan for man on earth is revealed in Genesis 1:26-28. He wanted all men to:

+_____ the earth with people similar to themselves; men and women who had loving and holy relationships with God and one another.

+_____ the earth and make it the Kingdom of God.

1.2 What would the world have looked like if Adam and Eve had obeyed God to establish His Kingdom?

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2. MAN'S REBELLION AGAINST GOD'S IDEAL

- 2.1 Adam and Eve rebelled against God's plan for the world and chose sin. Since that day man has been rebellious and basically selfish, each one looking to his own interests first. Isa. 53:6 "We all like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way." See also Rom. 3:10-12, 23.
- 2.2 Our sin has serious consequences:
 - 2.2.1 Broken relationships with God, others and ourselves
 - 2.2.2 Divine punishment

2.2.1 Broken relationship with:

- God since the fall, man is born spiritually dead, there is no living communion with the Lord; man is naturally arrogant, self-willed and rebellious (e.g. even young children do not have to be taught how to do wrong, be selfish or go into tantrums)
- others the first murder was committed shortly after the fall (Cain and Abel). Sincauses disharmony in relationships through pride, hatred, anger, resentment, selfish ambition, covetousness, envy, competition, favouritism, gossip, slander, criticism, lying, cheating (all the works of the flesh). Illustrated by: high rates of divorce, violence, murder, perversion, wars.
- self
 separated from God, man has lost connection with his purpose for living, his self-perception is twisted, he has lost the sense of meaning and destiny in life. There is an inner disharmony; he knows no peace, because of the striving of his flesh. Illustrated by: pursuit of career, money, pleasure leading to addiction in many forms, nervous breakdown, mental and emotional illness involvement in cults, "escape" through suicide.

2.2.2 Divine punishment

- Ex. 34:7 "He does not leave the guilty unpunished."
- Rom. 1:18 "The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men."
- Heb. 9:27 "Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgement."

3. <u>CHRIST, THE WAY OF FULFILLING GOD'S IDEAL</u>

- 3.1 Who He is
 - God
 - Man
- 3.2 What He did

Is. 53:3-6

3.3 His command

Matt. 28:19-20 "Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of age."

3.4 There is a telling parallel between the Great Commission in Matthew 28 and God's command to Adam and Eve in Genesis I. Both share the same basis:

3.5 The main message of Jesus Christ – The Kingdom of God.
Characteristics:
+ r ______ + p______
+ j______ Rom. 14:17
+ not of this world John 18:36
+ emphasis on inner aspects; with definite outward consequences Luke 17: 20, 21; Matt. 5: 13, 14
+ now partial, perfect fulfillment later (new heaven and earth)

4. <u>DOES MY LIFE COUNT?</u>

4.1 The same God who fills and upholds the universe (1) is intimately aware of the minutest creature on earth (2). He has lovingly prepared a unique life plan for every individual (3).

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2 Pet. 3: 3-13

God has lovingly prepared a unique life plan for _		
	(own name)	

References:

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- (1) Jeremiah 23: 24; Col. 1: 16, 17
- (2) Matt. 10: 29, 30
- (3) Psalm 139: 13 –18; Eph. 2: 10; Jer. 1: 5
- 4.2 His purpose for my life can only be fulfilled as I surrender totally to Jesus Christ as the Lord of my life and let Him live His life through me. No one else can fulfil that specific task, for which I was created.

No one but ______ can fulfil my life-task!

4.3 Each of us carries a vital responsibility for the fulfilment of God's master-plan. How does God build His Kingdom? In and through individuals like you and me. He wants to start in you and use <u>you</u>!

God wants to use ______ for the extension of His Kingdom in the hearts of people.

5. <u>THE HEALTH FIELD, A GOD – GIVEN OPPORTUNITY FOR FULFILLING</u> <u>GOD'S IDEAL</u>

5.1 More people pass through the world's hospitals each year than through its churches.

PEOPLE	
HOSPITALS	
JESUS CHRIST	
JESUS CHRIST	

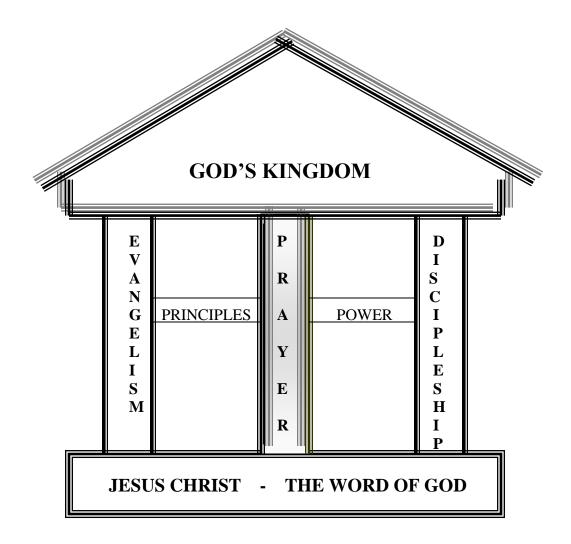
5.2 Jesus Christ certainly made an impact on the world for God. He did this by proclaiming the message of the Kingdom of God. As His followers, we must seek to do the same, Matt. 4:17 Jesus did this in practice through:

1.	
2.	
3.	

6. <u>APPLICATION</u>

6.1 God's Kingdom can only be built by citizens of that Kingdom. How do you know that you are one?

- 6.2 Jesus Christ said that we must seek the Kingdom of God and His righteousness as first priority, Matt. 6:33. How will others be able to see that this is the case in your life:
 - + at home/with your family
 - + among friends?
 - + in your church?
 - + at work?
 - + during your free time?
- 6.3 Declaration of Dependence:



At the end of this study, you will:

- be able to explain why prayer is so important
- know how different types of prayer can be used in the HCF
- make a summary of what you could do to promote prayer

PREVIEW

- 1. The Power of Prayer
- 2. A Network of Prayer
 - 2.1 Personal Prayer
 - 2.2 Ground Prayer Suggestions
 - 2.3 Praying with Patients
 - 2.4 Prayer Helps
- 3. Application

Addendum A:Meeting with the MasterAddendum B:Suggested programme for a day of prayer

1. <u>THE POWER OF PRAYER</u>

Jer. 33: 3	"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."
1 John 5: 14-15	"This is the assurance we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us whatever we ask - we know that we have what we asked of him."
James 5: 16b	"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."
Matt. 7: 7, 8	"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."
John 15: 7	"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you."

2. <u>A NETWORK OF PRAYER</u>

Each knot is a prayer meeting, each line indicates a health field worker.

If you and God are together, there are enough persons for a prayer meeting!

- 2.1. Personal Prayer
 - 2.1.1 Quiet time daily (see Addendum A)
 - 2.1.2 Prayerful attitude, ongoing conversation with the Lord
 - 2.1.3 Telegram prayers
 - 2.1.4 Taking a walk with Jesus

2.2 Group Prayer Suggestions

- 2.2.1 Prayer Triplets:
 - * HOW THEY WORK

Three people meet for prayer together on a regular basis (you and two of your colleagues).

Each person has the name of three people they are praying for (e.g. fellow employees). Therefore, as a group, they are committing themselves to pray for 9 people who are not Christians.

The group prays for the known needs of the 9 people – especially for their salvation.

The group prays for and encourages each other in their own spiritual growth. Also for their own relationships with the 9 people.

The group also prays for a spiritual awakening in their land, and especially their area of influence within the Health Field.

The TRIPLET can potentially be a base, from which those they have prayed for can be discipled after their conversation.

- * SOME PRACTICAL POINTS
- The other 2 members of the TRIPLET prayer group can belong to a different department in your hospital / health centre, etc. or perhaps your church.
- The group should meet regularly even if at times it is only 10 minutes, i.e. during coffee break, a "business" lunch break, breakfast meeting before work / study, etc.
- If you live in the same neighbourhood you can meet at any suitable time.
- These times of prayer will also build relationships with each other and in the Lord. Anything shared about each other or the 9 people in prayer must be kept strictly confidential.
- A TRIPLET group can be mini (3 people) or maxi (3 married couples).

- 2.2.2. On the spot prayer
- 2.2.3. Pray same time, different places
- 2.2.4. Telephone prayer meetings
- 2.2.5. Early morning prayer
- 2.2.6. Prayer breakfast
- 2.2.7. Half day / day of prayer (see Addendum B) The first Wednesday of each month is the prayer day of the Healthcare Christian Fellowship International.
- 2.2.8. Half night / night of prayer
- 2.2.9. Prayer chain
- 2.2.10. Telephone chain
- 2.2.11. Weekly prayer meeting
- 2.2.12. Prayer weekend / conference
- 2.2.13. Prayer concert
- 2.2.14. Prayer walks What to pray for:
 - People in authority according to 1 Tim. 2:1-4
 - The salvation of Health Care workers and patients.
 - The practical demonstration of God's love to patients and colleagues locally, nationally and internationally.
 - The development of pure and loving relationships between staff members.
 - God's standards of truth and righteousness to be restored and / or maintained.
 - HCF leaders

2.3. Praying with patients

- 2.3.6. Keep the following in mind when praying with patients:
 - + Be considerate, ask permission first.
 - + Provide and respect privacy.
 - + Use normal tone and volume of voice.

- + Be brief, to the point, and specific.
- + Be personal: use patient's name.
- + Use touch if appropriate.
- + Allow the patient to participate either verbally or silently.
- + Include family members whenever possible.
- + After praying, allow a little time with the patient. He may wish to talk or share: you may want to say something more.
- 2.3.2 Suitable times for prayer with patients:
 - + Before meals.
 - + Before sleep.
 - + When the patient is anxious or fearful:
 - Pre-operatively.
 - Before major tests.
 - On admission when indicated.
 - + Don't forget the unconscious patient.
- 2.3.3 What to pray when praying for the sick:
 - + Let the Holy Spirit guide you
 - + According to patient- needs
 - + Use Scripture
 - + For repentance / forgiveness
 - + For healing / blessing of the treatment
- 2.4 Prayer helps
 - + Personal prayer diary.
 - + Prayer book or box for prayer requests.
 - + Hospital newspaper / magazine
 - + IHCF Prayer Guide, local HCF news / prayer letter.
 - + Operation World P.J. Johnstone, STL Books.
 - + Prayer cards Operation Mobilization
 - + Mini Atlas
 - + World Map
 - + Newsletters of Christian organizations / missionaries
 - + List of Kings and Presidents obtainable from: World Literature Crusade
 - Books on prayer How To Pray (R.A. Torrey); Power Through Prayer (E.M. Bounds); No Easy Road (D. Eastman); Conversational Prayer (R. Rinker).

+ Cassettes on prayer - Intercession (Reona Joly), Youth with a Mission; Spiritual Warfare (Dean Sherman), Youth with a Mission; Journey of Power (Dick Eastman), World Literature Crusade.

3. <u>APPLICATION</u>

3.1 What can you do to develop your personal prayer life? Transfer those applicable to you to the "Action Steps Checklist". (Group Discussion)

- 3.2 What is the present situation regarding prayer in your hospital?
- 3.3 List types of group prayer that could work in your hospital. Refer to 2.2 of this study.

3.4 Keeping 3.2 and 3.3 in mind, list names of people with whom you could develop a prayer network and / or start a prayer triplet group.

3.5 Set a deadline before which you plan to meet with these people to discuss the implementation of the prayer net – work. You could use this lecture on a basis to work from.

Date: _____

Transfer this date to "Action Steps Checklist."

- 3.6 What are the commonest hindrances to prayer with patients in your hospital?
- 3.6 Make an * in front of those which apply to you.
- 3.7 What does God want you to do about this? Write your answer on "Action Steps Checklist"

ADDENDUM A

MEETING WITH THE MASTER

A personal daily meeting with Jesus Christ, our Master, is a fountain head of true spiritual health. Ps 63:1-5

3.1 Promise

God is waiting for us in love.

Is. 30:18 "And therefore will the LORD wait, that He may be gracious unto you, and therefore will He be exalted, that He may have mercy upon you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for Him"

3.2 **Prerequisites**

- Self preparation
 - * go to bed on time!

- * have ready: Bible, notebook, pen, prayer list, song book and musical instrument (if you play one).
- * combine; desire, dedication, determination, discipline. Prov. 2:1-5

* come with expectant heart

- Ps.119:10 "With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments."
- Ps. 42:2 "My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?"

3.3 Procedure

/ wake up, get up, give God your best time! Prov.6:9-11;19:15

/ come to Jesus with thanksgiving and praise. Ps. 100:4-5

/ ask Him for forgiveness where necessary. Ps. 51:1-12

/ ask for understanding and concentration. Ps 119:18; Prov. 2:2

Ps.4:8 "I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makes me dwell in safety."

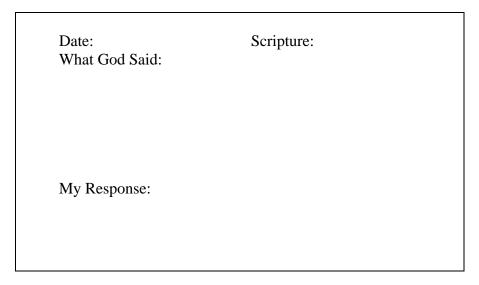
/ read the Bible systematically, slowly, out loud (where possible) Ps.119:1; Ps.119:105. If you read 3 chapters a day, you will be able to complete the whole Bible in one year.

/Communicate with God as you read Isaiah 50:4b - ask Him, is there:
* a command to obey? Acts 22:10
* a sin to confess / avoid? Ps. 139:23,24
* a promise to believe? 2 Cor. 1:20
* a verse to memorize? Prov. 4:4
* a warning to remember? Deut. 11:26-32
* an example to follow? Jn.13:15
* a principle to live by? Ps. 119:9

* a truth about God's character and ways? Phil. 3:8

* how does this affect all my relationships?

/ write down what God says to you:



/ turn Bible-reading into prayer. Phil. 4:6-7 * adoration

- * confession
- * thanksgiving
- * supplication

/ immediately obey God. 1 Samuel 15:22; Ps.119:112

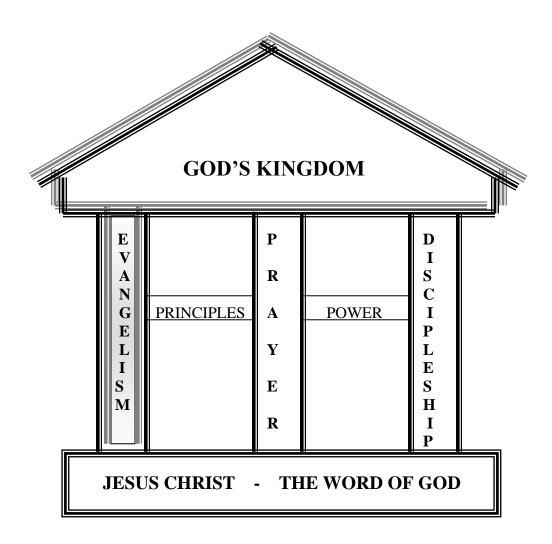
/ faithfully share what the Master has shown you. 1 John 1:1-3

ADDENDUM B:

Suggested programme for a day of prayer

8.00	-	9.00	Group singing / worship
9.00	-	10.00	Message / Bible Study
10.00	-	11.00	Group intercession
11.00	-	11.30	Tea-break
11.30	-	13.00	Small Group Prayer
13.00	-	14.00	Lunch break. Those who fast can continue to pray individually or in groups.
14.00	-	15.00	Group singing / worship
15.00	-	16.00	Group intercession
16.00	-	17.00	Small group prayer
17.00	-	17.30	Thanksgiving, report-back, testimonies, conclusion.

Remember to be very flexible with a prayer programme. God must have a full control of what happens. Prayer requests can be shared, written on blackboard, photocopied etc. Make use of prayer helps listed under 2.4



At the end of this study, you will have:

- * Reflected on the Biblical motives for evangelism
- * Described the purpose of evangelism
- * Become aware of the many different forms and possibilities of evangelism in the Health Field
- * Considered which of these can be applied in your situation

			PREVIEW
1.	Why	Evange	elize?
2.	Purpo	ose of E	vangelism
3.	Plan t	for Eva	ngelism
	3.1	The V	Witness of a Loving Fellowship
	3.2	Lifes	tyle Evangelism through Total Patient Care
	3.3	Creat	tive Means and Methods
4.	Appli	cation	
Adde	ndum	C:	How to win your Patients for Christ
		D:	Patient Evangelism Flow Chart

1. <u>WHY EVANGELISM?</u>

<u>Evang</u>	gelism and you	
Salt		Matt. 5:13
Light		Matt. 5:14
Branc	h of the vine	John 15:5
Spring	g of living water	John 4:14; 7:37,38
Fisher	of men	Matt. 4:19
Motiv	es for evangelism	
1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5 1.6	God Jesus Christ The Great Commission Calvary Man without Christ Eternity, heaven and hell	1Tim. 2:14; Ez. 33:11 Luke 19:10; Luke 4:43 John 20:21; Mark 16:15 1 Pet. 1:18,19 John 3:16; 1 John 5:11,12; Eph. 2:1 John 14:1-3; Rev. 21:1-7; 2 Thess. 1:8-9; Rev. 20:1-15; Prov. 24:11
1.7 1.8	Love Accountability	2 Cor. 5:14; Rom. 5:5 Ez. 3:18-19; 2 Cor. 5:10; Dan. 12:3

2. <u>PURPOSE OF EVANGELISM</u>

- 2.1 Three-fold purpose:
 - I) Sowing the seed
 - II) Watering the plants
 - III) Reaping the harvest
- 2.2 This also means the restoration of loving, holy relationships between God and man as well as between man and his neighbour.

To do this we must provide each	and health care
With a	to respond to Jesus Christ,
Especially our	, as their hearts are generally more
receptive to the Gospel.	

3. <u>PLAN FOR EVANGELISM</u>

* under God's guidance, combine and use all possible means and methods
 and
 * co-ordinated strategy results in reaching the ______ number of
 people in the _______ possible ______.

* team-work: <u>all</u> Christians needed

3.1 The Evangelistic witness of a loving fellowship

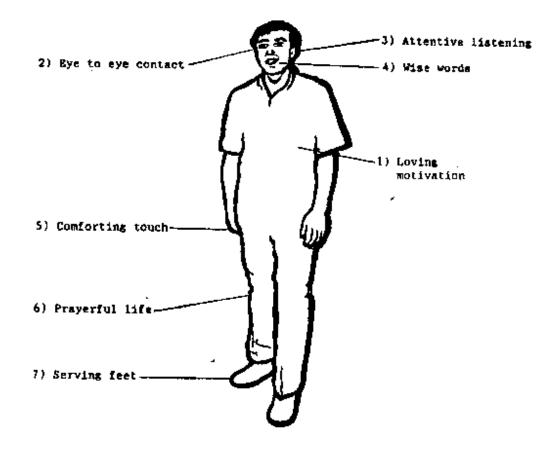
"That all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me." Jn. 17:21

John 13:34, 35

3.1.1. Lifestyle Evangelism through Total Patient Care

Definition: The art and science of effective ministry to all the needs of the total patient by a compassionate team under the guidance of God.

Looking at Jesus Christ as our perfect example, we have identified seven aspects of Total Patient Care:



3.2 Evangelism through wise and creative use of means and methods



3.2.1 Evangelism through the use of LITERATURE

- + Cards with suitable Scripture written on it, placed on a patient's locker.
- + Prescription for the day on a breakfast tray with a verse of encouragement written on it.

+	Tracts	- suitable and prayerfully chosen
		- quality ones you have read
		- be ready to explain anything the patient might not understand
+	Library	- start an HCF hospital library: encourage interested church
		members to run a trolley library for patients
+	Books	- encourage the patient to read good literature by lending books
		that have been a blessing to you.

3.2.2 Evangelism through the use of RADIO

- + Help your patient to tune their radios in one of the following evangelical radio stations: T.W.D. (Trans World Dadio) 5 Due do la Dasta Manta Carlo Managa
 - T.W.R. (Trans World Radio), 5 Rue de la Poste, Monte Carlo, Monaco.
 - F.E.B.A. (Far East Broadcasting Association), 45 High Street, Addlestone, Weybridge, Surrey KT15 1TJ, England.
 - H.C.J.B. World Radio Missionary Fellowship, 63a Main Street, Bingley, W. Works BD16 2HZ, England.
 - Christian Hospital Radio, P.O. Box 11, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 5ED
- + Order, programmes and distribute amongst long term patients.
- + Remind them of the programmes.
- + Your hospital may have its own radio system what about starting a special music request programme with testimonies etc? Even if you start with ½ hour programme per week, it is better than nothing.
- 3.2.3 Evangelism through the use of a CD's
 - + Christian Hospital Radio, P.O. Box 11, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 5ED, England.
 - + Trans World Radio, Evangeliums-Rundfunk, P.O. Box 1444, 6330 Wetzlar, West Germany.
 - + Catalogues available upon request.
 - + Messages obtainable on many different subjects.
 - + Get a group of patients or staff together to listen.
 - + Give a specific CD's to people with specific needs e.g. Depression.

3.2.4 Evangelism through the use of SLIDE-TAPE PRESENTATIONS

Catalogues of tapes for sale / hire from many different groups in most countries.

3.2.5 Evangelism through the use of TV and VIDEOS

Catalogues of video tapes for sale / hire from many different groups in most countries.

3.2.6 Evangelism through the use of FILMS

Many groups, including: Billy Graham Association Youth for Christ GO-TELL Communications Moody Films Teen Challenge

3.2.7 Evangelism through DRAMA / SONG GROUPS

- * A brief drama can be an excellent way to reach staff.
- * Singing well-known hymns and songs can open many hearts as well as help to identify Christian staff members.

3.2.8 Evangelism through DIFFERENT TYES OF MEETINGS

- + Testimony evenings
- + Inter HCF meetings
- + Practical evenings / Workshop make articles for fund raising while listening to a tape.
- + Question evening
- + Missionary evening with missionaries telling of their work and needs.
- + Topical discussions on relevant subjects of current interest.
- + At home outing to a person's home
- + Prayer Meetings
- + Group listening to a tape and discussing it afterwards
- + Bible Study
- + Slides / Film / Slide tapes
- + Visiting Speakers
- + Sing song
- + Special outreach meetings
- + Barbecue
- + Ward Visitation Spring Festival, Christmas and Easter-time meetings

4. <u>APPLICATION</u>

4.1 In order to be able to share the Gospel effectively, I will follow a plan for memorizing appropriate Scriptures: (see addendum C on winning patients for Christ)

Scripture	Date

Date

Deadline for memorization of all: _

Put it on the "Action Steps Checklist".

4.2 <u>A possible strategy for evangelism</u>

* List some means and methods of evangelism which could be used effectively in your hospital:

WHAT	WHEN		WHO
	start	finish	
	1		

* After prayerful consideration, this is what I believe God wants me to do about it:

* Summarize these thoughts on the "Action Steps Checklist".

ADDENDUM C:

HOW TO WIN YOUR PATIENTS FOR CHRIST

(acknowledgement : "Evangelism Explosion" by D. James Kennedy)

Leading our patients to Christ is our highest privilege. For this we need to be equipped and ready whenever the opportunity is given. This involves study and practice in the following aspects:

- 1) How to start a conversation
- 2) How to make a spiritual diagnosis
- How to communicate the main points of the Gospel effectively (know the facts; know relevant Scripture references and suitable illustrations)
- 4) How to lead someone to Christ
- 5) How to do immediate follow-up

1. <u>Start a conversation</u>

- Pray for an opportunity to speak.
- Be alert to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- Seek to build a trust-relationship with the patient, if possible.
- Be considerate, always asking the patient's permission to share or ask a question.
- Speak in humility, yet with boldness, in total dependence on God, with a loving attitude.
- Find a natural way of directing the conversation to spiritual matters.

One of the following questions may be helpful:

- "Do you ever think about God / spiritual things?
- "Are you interested in being a real Christian?"
- "Do you go to church often? What does it mean to you?"

2. <u>Make a spiritual diagnosis</u>

Is he / she a true believer, trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation? Two diagnostic questions will help you to determine where the patient is spiritually:

- 2.1 To find out if the person already has assurance of salvation:
 "Have you come to a place in your spiritual experience where you know for certain that you have eternal life?" (We can be sure 1 John 5:13)
- 2.2 To determine upon what foundation he is trusting for eternal life: "Suppose you were to stand before God tonight, and He were to ask you, 'Why should I let you into My heaven?' What would you say?"

ADDENDUM C:

HOW TO WIN YOUR PATIENTS FOR CHRIST

3.	Share the Good News				
	The following outline gives the main points of the Gospel:	Scriptures to memorize:			
3.1	<u>Grace</u> - Heaven and eternal life is a free gift - It is not earned or deserved Eternal life is an abundant life, starting here and now, which lasts forever.	Rom. 6:23 Eph. 2:8-9 John 10:10			
3.2	2 <u>Man</u>	John 10.10			
	 Is a sinner Cannot save himself Does not automatically have eternal life 	Rom. 3:23; Is. 64:6 James 2:10			
3.3	 God Loves us and is merciful – therefore does not want to punish us Is just – therefore must punish sin In His infinite wisdom He solved this dilemma by sending His Son into the world. 	Jer. 31:3 Ez. 33:11 Ex. 34:7b; Heb. 9:27			
3.4	 Jesus Christ Who He is – the infinite God-man What He did – He died in our place to pay for our sins and purchase eternal life and a place in heaven for us which He offers as a gift. We receive this gift through repentance and faith. 	John 1:1, 14 Is. 53:5-6			
3.5	 <u>Repentance</u> To admit and confess sin 	1 John 1:8-10			
	 To turn away from sin and my own way To turn to God to obey and follow Him 	Prov. 28:13 Acts 3:19; 26:20			
3.6	5 <u>Faith</u>				
	 What it isn't - mere intellectual assent temporal faith 	James 2:19			
	- What it is - trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation	Eph. 2:8-9 Jn. 3:16; Acts 16:31			

In presenting the Gospel use a number of suitable illustrations to clarify the point which you are making if it is necessary. Quote Scripture without stating the reference in the Bible and by giving just the relevant part of the verse.

ADDENDUM C:

HOW TO WIN PATIENTS FOR CHRIST

4. Lead him / her to Christ

If the patient has understood the Gospel, and is ready to receive Christ, we may guide him in prayer:

- to confess his sin to God, ask forgiveness and receive cleansing by the blood of Jesus.
- to invite the risen Christ into his life and to receive Him as Saviour and Lord in order to live a new life under His control.
- to receive by faith the gift of eternal life and to thank Him for it.
- 5. <u>Do immediate follow-up</u>

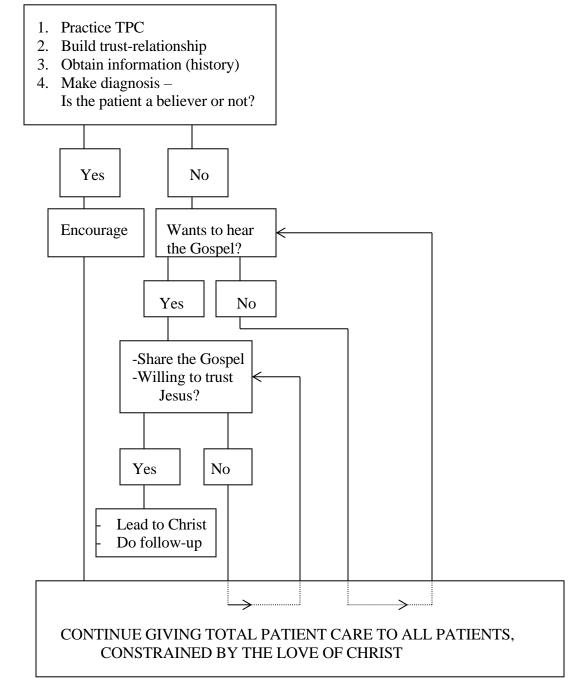
Give Scripture for assurance, e.g. John 1:12; John 6:47

Give necessary first instructions emphasizing the importance of:

- spending time with God in prayer (new baby communicating with father)
- the Word = Bible study (food for the new child)
- witnessing (communication with others about what God has done for you)
- the Holy Spirit who was sent to glorify Jesus Christ (power for living)
- fellowship with other Christians

ADDENDUM D:

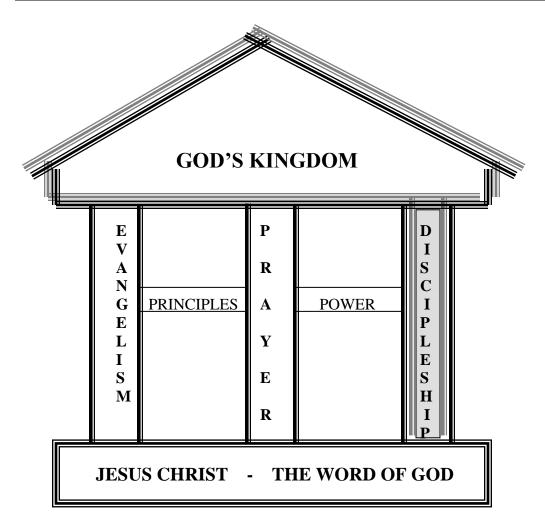
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AA If a person is not ready to receive Christ, after he has heard the Gospel, you may answer In one of the following ways:

- you know the way now (only if you know he has understood the Gospel).
- You can also pray alone.
- I'll keep on praying for you.
- I'll be happy to talk with you again when it is convenient for you.

AA Remain available for further conversations, and do not decide they will never be open to the Gospel.



At the end of this study, you will have:

- Been introduced to the concept "discipleship".
- Seen the vital need for effective discipleship training.
- Understood some of the principles and distinctive features of true discipleship training.
- Considered your involvement in building God's Kingdom through discipleship training in your area of responsibility.

PREVIEW

- 1. Discipleship explained
- 2. Why must we train disciples?
- 3. How to start
- 4. Train disciples of Christ
- 5. Application

1. <u>DISCIPLESHIP EXPLAINED</u>

1.1 What is a disciple?

Definition:

1.2 Discipleship training

The relationship between teacher and student based on the model of Christ and His disciples. The teacher reproduces the fullness of the life that he has in Christ in his students so that the students will be able to train others who in turn will train others.

2 Tim. 2:2 "And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others."

Phil. 4:9 "Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

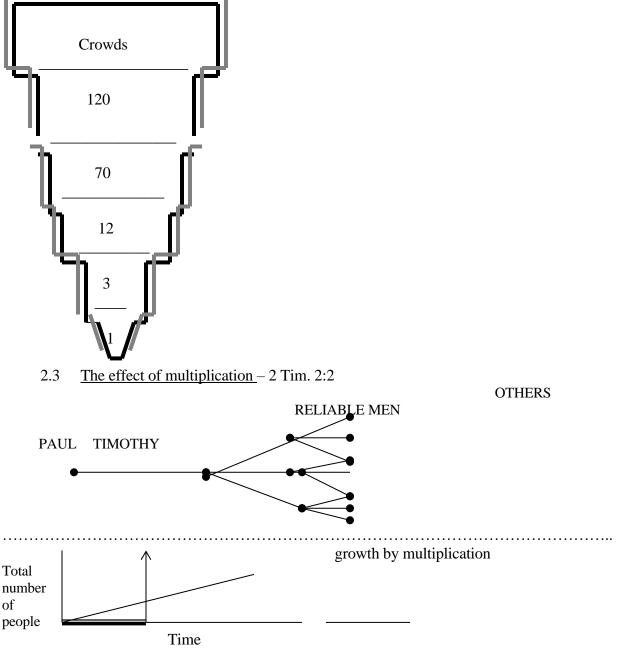
This involves	through	the following stages:	
I. Unconverted "disciple"	II. Founded Disciple 1 Cor. 3:10-11	III. Steadfast Disciple Gal. 5:1	IV. Multiplying Disciple 2 Tim. 2:2
 a disciple of any- thing or anybody but Christ no assurance of something or some- One else is the Foundation of life 	 () converted () decide to be a true disciple of Christ () Bible study () assurance of salvation (4 pillars) () Jesus Chris is the foundation of life of his/her life 	 Consistent in: () Serving the Lord as gifted () Prayer () Witnessing () Fellowship with other disciples () Walk in the Spirit () Follow up of new converts 	 () continues steadfastly () wins and trains disciples who train others () receives in one group and leads another () multiplies himself in the Lord's service

Effective discipleship training results in ____

2. WHY MUST WE TRAIN DISCIPLES?

2.1 <u>The Great Commission</u> Matt. 28:18-20 "Then Jesus came to them and said: 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age."

2.2 The example of Jesus Christ



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2.4 The need for continuation and expansion of leadership

3. HOW TO START WITH DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

3.1 <u>Start with prayer and evangelism</u> Join or start a prayer / witnessing HCF group. Potential discipleship will become interested and get involved.

Phil. 3:8

Jer. 15:16

2 Tim. 2:2

2 Tim. 2:15

Matt. 20:26-28

1John 4:20-21

3.2 Prayerful selection

- 3.2.1 What to look for in a potential disciple:
 - * Deep love for Christ.
 - * Love for people no bitterness.
 - * Love for the Word of God.
 - * Faithful, reliable.
 - * Teachable, changeable.
 - * Submissive, servant heart.

3.3 Positive calling

Elicit three-fold commitment:

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4. TRAIN DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

- 4.1 <u>Distinctive features of discipleship training</u>
- small group training (triangle principle)
- Bible based, Christ-centred
- Prayer impregnated
- Real training needs met
- Growth by multiplication
- Habitual obedience to Christ developed
- Increasing maturity in relationships

4.2 <u>Stages in the training process</u>

I share	-	You listen	
I show	-	You watch	
You do	-	I supervise	
We both share	-	Others listen	(multiplication begins)

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5. <u>APPLICATION WITH REGARDS TO DISCIPLESHIP</u>

- 5.1 Go back to page 31 and mark your position in the stages of growth.
- 5.2 If you have not yet reached stage III, what will you do to become a steadfast disciple? (e.g. become a member of a discipleship training group)

5.3 If you are a steadfast disciple, are you prepared to become a leader of a discipleship training group?

5.3.1 If yes:

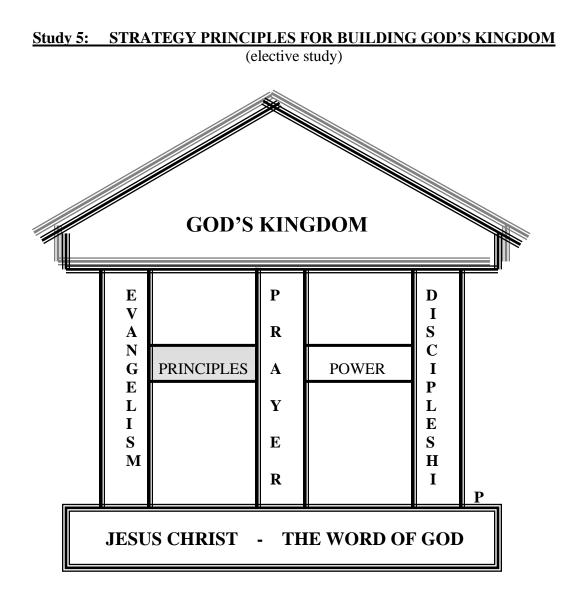
- List names of those who might be interested:

- Who of the above are probable members of a discipleship group? Place a star in front of their names.
- When and how could you contact them to share the vision of building God's Kingdom through discipleship training?

5.3.2 If no:

- In which other way do you intend to become involved in discipleship training?

5.3.2 Use the "Action Steps Checklist" to summarize your plans.



At the end of this study, you will have:

- Described the purpose of Healthcare Christian Fellowship in your hospital.
- Learned the organizational structure of the HCFI
- Become acquainted with the strategy principles according to which we advance.
- Understood the OMR-approach to planning
- Considered how the above apply to your own situation.

PREVIEW

- 1. Purpose of HCF
- 2. Structure of HCF
- 3. HCF strategy for advancing God's kingdom in the H / F
 - 4. Planning: OMR-approach
 - 5. Application

1. <u>PURPOSE OF HCF:</u>

- evangelize Health Field staff
- unite Christians in the Health Field and other Christians concerned about the sick.
- motivate, train, organize and serve them to:
 1) evangelize patients and Health Field staff
 2) influence the Health Field for God.

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2. <u>STRUCTURE OF HCF</u>

I.

II.

III.

IV.

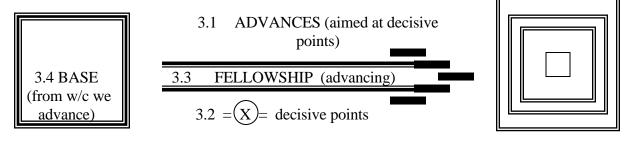
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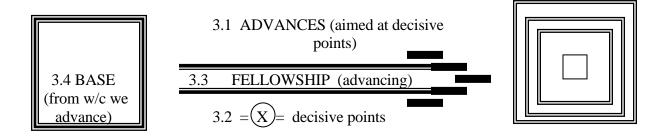
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VII.

3. HCF STRATEGY FOR THE ADVANCE OF GOD'S KINGDOM IN THE HEALTH FIELD

Definition: <u>Advances</u> at <u>Decisive points</u> by a <u>Fellowship</u> moving from a <u>Base</u> (a Fellowship, which moves from a base, should advance at decisive points)





3.1 ADVANCES

Definition: to further, to promote; to go forward; make progress; to put in a better or more advantageous situation; to attack while keeping your balance (in fencing) How can we advance the kingdom of God in the Health Field? Through

- -
- -

The advances should be co-ordinated, creative, concentrated and sustained.

- + <u>co-ordinated:</u>
- use 7 ministry structure, under guidance of an effective Action Team

+ <u>creative</u>: the wise and surprising use of one (or more) of the following:

- time
- place
- media
- method
- manpower

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Examples: + concentrated: - Focusing attention, prayer, evangelism, training upon a single object, task, problem. - Intensify in strength and purify by removing that which dilutes / hinders. - Beware of spreading outreach too thinly. - Work in teams. Examples:.... + sustained: (whatever you do: finish well) - to keep up and maintain the advance until victory is fully accomplished. - pursuit of the enemy until he is destroyed. to endure and withstand without yielding. Examples:....

3.2 <u>DECISIVE POINTS (the Fellowship aims its advances at these points)</u> Definition: a vital area where, if we have a victory, we will have a conclusive breakthrough in advancing God's Kingdom.

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In the Health Field this can be:

Other examples:

3.3 <u>FELLOWSHIP</u>

The advances are made by a fellowship, a close-knit "Gideon's band"; a small, high quality army; well-motivated, well-trained; with a threefold commitment;

- to God
- to one another
- to the task of building God's Kingdom

The Fellowship should be secure, mobile and well-communicating

+ secure:

- know the enemy and his tactics both in the physical and spiritual realm.
- well-protected by the armour of Christ.
- Take a defensive-offensive stand: instead of struggling to keep our heads above the water as in the past, we should dig our heels in to stand firm for an aggressive advance of the kingdom of God in the Health Field.

Examples:....

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+ mobile:

- moving faster than the enemy
- available people who are willing to go wherever and whenever God wants them to.

Examples:

The Fellowship should be:

+ well-communicating:

- with God-using the different kinds of prayer
- with one another
- with sympathetic groups (e.g. local churches, organizations).

Examples:

3.4 <u>BASE</u>

The fellowship moves from an enabling base:

- a serving base, where plans are made, literature and media to promote the fulfilment of the vision are produced and distributed, actions evaluated, wounded soldiers are cared for, provisions are stored. Reinforcements are trained.
- a place to work from and to return to.

IHCF STRATEGY FOR ADVANCING GOD'S KINGDOM IN THE HEALTH FIELD

Expanded definition: Co-ordinated, creative, concentrated and sustained ADVANCES at DECISIVE POINTS by a secure and well-communicating FELLOWSHIP moving from an enabling BASE.

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4. <u>PLANNING: OMR - approach</u>

4.1	First formulate O	
4.2	Then determine the	М
4.3	Trust God to provide the	e necessary R

"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies." Hudson Taylor

5. <u>APPLICATION</u>

NB: Questions are designed especially for those who are already involved in an active Fellowship, and should ideally be discussed corporately by the existing group.

1.1 How would you describe the purpose of Healthcare Christian Fellowship in your hospital / area of work?

Compare your own answer with point 1 of this study (see page 36) Do you need to make any adjustments?

1.2 What steps need to be taken in order to start implementing the 7 ministries in your area of responsibility?

(summarize your answer on the "Action Step Checklist"). In which of these ministries do you have a personal interest / gift / talent?

5.3 What decisive points do you see in your hospital / area of work?

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- 5.4 Which one do you consider to be most important for advancing God's Kingdom? Make an * in front of it.
- 5.5 Make a provisional plan how to advance on this point, using the principles you just studied.
- 5.6 Assess how your fellowship group is functioning in the light of the strategy principles:

STRENGTHS

WEAKNESSES

- 5.7 Which of the strategy principles have you not been using? List them on the "Action Steps Checklist".
 - 5.8 Have you been using the OMR-planning method? If not, what steps could be taken to do so? (suggestion: arrange a monthly planning meeting for the key-people / leaders in your fellowship).

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ACTION STEPS CHECKLIST (1)

•	Personal prayer life improvers:			
_	WHAT		WHEN	

2. People to contact regarding prayer network / evangelism / discipleship training.

2.1 Prayer network implementation: Deadline:

2.2 Prayer with patients:

1.

WHAT		WHEN
	l	

3. Gospel presentation Scripture written on cards for easy memorization by ______(date). See 4.1 on pg. 24

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ACTION STEPS CHECKLIST (2)

4. Summary of what I decided to do regarding evangelism:

WHAT	WHEN

5. What I am going to do about building God's Kingdom through discipleship training:

WHAT	WHEN

2. Implementation of 7 ministries:

7. Decisive points:

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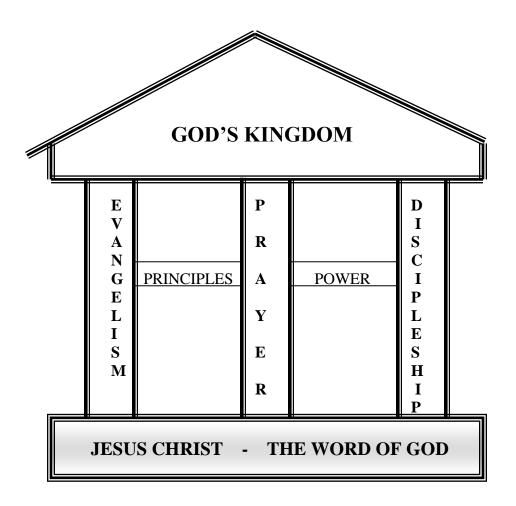
ACTION STEPS CHECKLIST (3)

8. Strategy principles we can use:

9. Next HCF-planning meeting: _____

10. The Lord wants me to make full use of His provisions for power:

WHAT	WHEN



At the end of this study, you will have:

- Studied several Bible-portions relating to the Holy Spirit's work i /through the believer.
- Considered the prerequisites for experiencing the fullness of the holy Spirit and the results which you can expect.
- Obtained guidelines as to how you can be filled with the Holy Spirit and live a Spiritcontrolled life.

PREVIEW

- 1. Prerequisites for the continual experiencing of God's power
- 2. How to be filled with the Holy Spirit
- 3. How to live a Spirit-controlled life
- 4. Results of being filled with the Holy Spirit
- 5. Application
- Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

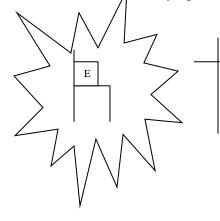
1. PREREQUISITES FOR THE CONTINUAL EXPERIENCING OF GOD'S POWER

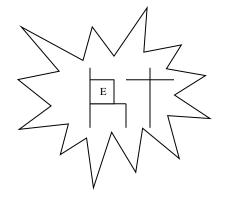
+ Assurance of Salvation. Rom. 8:16 "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children."

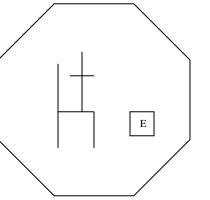
+ Deep realization of our need to be filled, based on:

- God's command: Eph. 5:18 "Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit."
- God's promise: Luke 11:11-13 "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"
- + Intense thirst for God. John 7:37-39 "On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If a man is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.' By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified."
- + **The right motivation.** James 4:3 "When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures."
- + A clean heart = All known sin confessed and renounced. Prov. 28:13 "he who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy."

- + **Obedience to God.** Acts 5:32 "We are the witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."
- **Total surrender of my whole life for the whole of my life.** Rom. 12:1
 "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God which is your spiritual worship." The Holy Spirit enables us to make such a surrender, Heb. 9:14







Natural Man

- unregenerate
- Jesus outside his heart
- ego on the throne
- life in a mess

- Carnal, Worldly Fleshly Christian 1 Cor. 3:1-4 Gal. 5:19-21 Phil. 3:4-8 Gal. 3:3
- regenerate
- ego still on throne
- life in a mess

Gal. 5:25 - Jesus Christ is the

Spirit-controlled

Christian

- Lord of his/her life
- Life shows fruit of

the Spirit.

2. HOW TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

2.1 Believe what God's Word says

Read the following verses prayerfully. Ask God to give you faith as you read.

Joel 2:28-29	Acts 4:31
Matthew 3:11	John 1:33
John 3:34	Luke 3:16
John 14:16, 17, 26	John 15:26

John 16: 7, 8, 13-15 Acts 2: 1-6; 16-18; 37-39 Acts 9: 17-18 Acts 11:12-16 Acts 19: 1-6 Luke 11: 11-13 Acts 1: 4-8 Acts 8: 5, 12, 14-17 Acts 10:44-46 Acts 13:52 Acts 13:52 Eph. 5:18

2.2 Request

In faith ask the Holy Spirit to fill your life completely and to take control of your whole being (Luke 11:13). As the Holy Spirit already dwells in your life if you know Jesus Christ as your Saviour, you do not need to ask Him to come into your life again.

2.3 <u>Receive</u>

By faith receive the in-filling of the Holy Spirit (Gal. 3:5,14).

2.4 <u>Rejoice</u>

Thank and praise God from the depth of your heart for what He has done (Eph. 5:18,19).

Here is an example of the type of prayer you could pray:

"Lord Jesus,

- + I realize (afresh) my need to be filled with the Holy Spirit
- + give me an ever increasing thirst for You
- + show me if there is any un-confessed sin in my life (take time to wait quietly on the Lord. He will remind you of the specific sins that He wants to deal with. Confess where necessary and turn your back on these sins).
- + I surrender my whole life to You through the Holy Spirit I am going to obey you willingly and unconditionally in response to your steadfast love for me.
- + I want to see Your name glorified above all else, even if it means death and disgrace for me.
- + please fill me with Your Holy Spirit now
- + From You, I receive the in-filling of Your Holy Spirit on account of Your command and Your promise.
- + Thank You for filling me with the Holy Spirit now. Blessed be your wonderful Name! Hallelujah!

AMEN

3. HOW TO LIVE A SPIRIT-CONTROLLED LIFE

Homework: Study Romans chapter 6 - 8 and Gal. 5: 13 - 26. What principles relating to the Spirit-controlled life do you discover?

- + remember to ask the Holy Spirit daily to fill you anew.
- + repent of sin as soon as He convicts you and ask Him to control that area of your life also.
- - (1 John 1:7-10; 2:1,2)
 - breath in: (Eph. 5:18)

4. <u>RESULTS OF BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT</u>

- + Jesus Christ Himself begins to live the Christian life in and through you to an extent which was never possible before.
- A holy life-style: the Holy Spirit controls your life and makes you sensitive to sin.
 John 16: 7 9
- + Fullness of love. Rom. 5:5 "And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us."
- + Liberty, power and effectiveness in witnessing. Acts 13: 44-52; Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
- + Dynamic spiritual growth. John 14: 26 "But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."
- + At least one of the gifts of the Spirit. Rom. 12: 6-8; 1 Cor. 12: 1-31; Eph. 4:11-12; 1 Peter 4: 10-11
- + Fruit of the Holy Spirit will become increasingly visible in your life, Gal. 5: 22-23

- + Victory over sin and the flesh, Gal. 5:16
- + Jesus Christ becomes a greater reality in your life.

IN SUMMARY: JESUS CHRIST WILL BE GLORIFIED THROUGH YOUR LIFE. John 16: 14-15 "He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will take from what is mine and make it known to you."

5. <u>APPLICATION</u>

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