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<u>Scripture Reference:</u> Philippians 1:19-28 (ESV); Deuteronomy 7:12-15 (KJV); Exodus 15:26 (KJV); Matthew 4:23 (KJV); Acts 19:11-12 (KJV); Numbers 16:46-48 (KJV)

Pastor John :

One of the greatest victories I had in my life was when I shouted like that. I watched a couple of people get out of wheelchairs and I watched 10,000 people go crazy. I was a conservative South African male, standing watching 10,000 people go crazy. And the cry of my heart was, "Lord, I don't want to be conservative. I want to have that freedom to praise You and shout like they are shouting." And so He just said, "Do it." It's what He said, "Do it." So I did it. With 10,000 people I raised my voice, I raised my hands, I jumped, I screamed, I shouted, and the power of God hit my body. It was like His spiritual, invisible hand came into my spirit man and pulled a plug and rivers of joy flowed out of me for days and days and days and it's never stopped since. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Lord. Glory, alory, glory. I'll tell you, you want to be set free from stuff that hinders your mind, that's got your soul all bent out of shape, and all kinds of things in your life. I'll tell you, when you begin to praise God like that; with everything you've got, that joy will just consume your life and it will make everything else just disappear. He will turn your ashes into joy. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Glory to Jesus. Well, we've had a wonderful time this morning, haven't we? Praise the Lord. You may be seated. We've got some things left to do.

Pastor Sharon :

Thank you, music ministry. Wonderful. Thank you. Thank you and thank you, everybody.

Pastor John :

Hallelujah. We have something important to do this morning. Well, let me just say for those of you who are not normally in church services like us, and we recognise, and we did say this was a kind of jamming service and a music service - you should have got that notice. So it shouldn't have caught you completely by surprise. But I think we're going to do more of that. Yes, we're going to do more of this. Amen. Hallelujah. Praise the Lord. What do you think, the angels are quiet in heaven? Let me tell you, God has created beings, created beings that are continually for eternity making a great noise of praise and shouts and glory to God in heaven. So if that's what it looks like in heaven, why should it not look like that on earth? The church should at least look like that. Nê? Everybody say, "Nê." There you go.

Pastor Sharon :

Actually, if you go and read about heaven right now, Pastor John, in the book of Revelations, which is what currently is happening in heaven, heaven is a very noisy place. It's very noisy. You can just go and read the book of Revelations and see all the sounds that come in heaven, that happen in heaven. There are shouts, there is singing, there's you know, loud instruments. And so when we say Your Kingdom

come on earth as it is in heaven, then we understand what we mean. We understand what that means - as it is in heaven, so let it be on earth. Glory to God.

Well, we're getting ready for heaven, right? This is where we have heaven on earth in our hearts. Praise the Lord. Noisy place. And when Brother Jerry came, remember with his eight messages? Yes, he said, "Church should be a noisy place because heaven is a noisy place." I'm fortunate, I've always been able to experience church like that. But for those that are new that are coming into a noisy church, enjoy it. Enjoy it. God has created you for sound and noise to come from you to Him and for you and for Him. Hallelujah.

Pastor John :

Yeah, I guess one could say this, you know, that if you criticise something, you can't receive it. So if you say, "I don't like a church that's noisy because I don't like that." Well, then you're never going to have joy like that. Because you can't have that because you've criticised it.

Pastor Sharon:

Yes, that's right. Whatever you speak against, you can't have.

Pastor John:

Rather be quiet and say, "Okay, Lord, if this is You, real, I've not experienced this before but if this is real You, let me experience it in a way that I can receive it.

Pastor Sharon:

And I'm going to see in Your Word, I'm going to study it in Your Word.

Pastor John:

Then at least you're open to getting something that you didn't have before. Speak against it and criticise it, you can never have it. So that's a good way to then rather say, "Zip your lip." You know and ask the Lord for something else. Hallelujah. Praise the Lord.

Well, I want to read this. Pastor Sharon and I are here together on the stage today for a purpose, you would have received some e-messages from us. And I just want to read to you Philippians one, verses 19 to 28. And this is the Apostle Paul praying, ¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honoured in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, for me. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. ²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy^[h]

hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God (Philippians 1:19-28 ESV).

So, I just wanted to share this with you this morning that the Apostle Paul had this resurrection life knowledge inside of him, that the power of resurrection was so powerful in his body, that he was that close to walking with God, that he was able to choose whether it was time for him to depart, or for him to stay. And he said, "No, it's better for me to stay for your sake. But this thing you must do - you must stay worthy and stay doing what the Gospel of Jesus Christ requires you to do."

We are going to pray and we're going to lay hands... Pastor Sharon and I started to receive something from the Lord. We were not together. I was driving in a car. I was speaking on the phone to someone and I was busy sharing with them how God had been dealing with me about healing. The next morning Pastor Sharon got up and God began to give her a message. We are here to fulfill what was spoken on that day. We have already done this with the A team, the interns, the people that are coming to the office here every day. We've already done this with them but we are here to do this with you this morning.

The resurrection power of Christ is the difference between us and any other religion. If Jesus had not been raised from the dead, then it would be a poor show for us to worship a god that's dead or that is no god at all. But only a living God can be raised from the dead by the Source of all life. Hallelujah. That same resurrection power is at work amongst us. This body, this body. Hallelujah. So I want to encourage you that when we, when Pastor Sharon is going to speak in a minute and share the Word with you very briefly, I want to encourage you that you don't walk away from today just seeing this as a normal church service. There is a work of God that He's doing here today. He has been doing it in our church, in our ministry for a long time now. And He has been doing mighty things, glorious things but this is another stepping point for us as a ministry. Hallelujah.

Pastor Sharon, do you want to share how the Lord has shared this with you?

Pastor Sharon:

Yes, Pastor John. I think some of the people will remember that the Lord spoke to me personally in June of this year, just to me, to my heart for my life. And He said to me, "I will help your faith, Sharon. I will help your faith. You can come up in faith in healing and health. But you will need to expose your eyes and ears consistently and steadfastly to My Word and scriptures on these matters. They are not going to manifest in My church and among My people just by prayer. It's going to be; do you believe it? It's going to be your believing, your faith and your expectancy which comes from My Word. This is what will do it." So I began to look at Scripture and God was speaking to me personally saying to me that sickness and disease is increasing in the earth. It's not decreasing. Sickness and disease, we know, does not come from the Lord. There's none in heaven, and He does not give it to mankind. Right? So then on Friday morning He gave me this scripture in Numbers 16. So faith comes by hearing the Word. So when you hear this Word, faith comes to you by

hearing this Word, His scriptures. His Scripture. So let me first read Deuteronomy seven, verse 12 to 15 out of the King James. He says here, ¹²Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the Lord thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers: ¹³And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land ... thine oil, the increase of thy ... flocks of thy sheep ... ¹⁴Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. That's your place of business and your work. But this verse here, the Lord will take away from thee all sickness. The Lord will take away from you all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee (Deuteronomy 7:12-15 KJV). So none of the evil diseases - this is a promise from God, which we know. We know about COVID. We know about this plague. We know about this virus. God says, "None of it will be on you." Right? He will take away all sickness from us.

Then Exodus 15 verse 26 says this, ²⁶If thou wilt diligently hearken - it starts the same as Deuteronomy 7:12 - if thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee (Exodus 15:26 KJV). I am the Lord that healeth thee. And then Matthew 4:23, here is Jesus. ²³Jesus went about ... healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people (Matthew 4:23 KJV). Jesus did not go about giving sickness. Jesus went about healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people and He healed them.

Alright, then Acts 19 is, ¹¹And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul (Acts 19:11 KJV). This was when, at this point when He gave me this scripture, I began to understand what the Lord wanted to do. I wasn't sure whether it was going to be here, Sunday, but I knew I needed to bring it to you, Pastor John, and you knew to bring it to all the staff - all the A-team and all the interns on Friday after I received this. ¹¹And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul now listen to this - ¹²So that from his body, from Paul's body, his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits left them (Acts 19:11-12 KJV). So I saw this, I saw this [Pastor Sharon places prayer cloths onto Pastor John's chest]. This is what God's bringing right now. This is a very present, certain time - right now. Friday, today. It's not a time for us to go, "But why couldn't this not have, why, why now?" Well, now God. You obey God in the now and in the present. So this is what I saw; ¹¹And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: ¹²So that from his body, from Paul's body. Why from Paul's body? Because inside Paul is the Holy Spirit. Inside the Apostle Paul was the Holy Spirit, God the Holy Spirit Who said He made this possible - this pattern of transfer of anointing. So from Apostle Paul's body - it's what I saw - from Apostle Paul's body. Why? Because the Holy Spirit is inside Paul. Not because there's anything in Pastor John's body that can heal you nothing. But this is how God transfers from the apostles, ¹²... from his body were

brought unto the sick handkerchiefs ... right ... and the diseases departed from them (Acts 19:11-12 KJV).

So that's all I'm going to say right now, Pastor John, because I think I must read Numbers 16 in the context that He gave it to me just to finish off with this. So He gave me Numbers 16:46 to 50 guite strongly. But in the positive, not in the negative that it's recorded in the Bible. He brought it in the positive because these people brought plagues upon themselves because they were disobedient. But what God was saying to me, "I speak this scripture to you today, because I am wrath that My people who are obedient to Me, who love Me, who serve Me, who are obeying My commandments, that this virus is thinking it can attach itself to them." That's how God gave it to me in my heart. I didn't have it before He gave it to me. And then I had it. He said, "This virus," because it started with just one person we heard, another person we heard that they've been tested positive. And the Lord said, "I say no. But I cannot say no if you and Pastor John don't say no now. Say no now." We say, "No." We say no to that virus. We say, "No." It may not attach itself to our bodies. It's illegal. If it comes on you, it's illegally on you because God has promised that none of the diseases that are in the world system shall come upon His people that are obedient; none of them. So it says here, the scripture, I'm just going to read the keywords He gave to me, ⁴⁶... go quickly unto the congregation ... for there is wrath gone out from the Lord; the plague is begun. And God is wrathed that this plague could even think to come among His people. Right. The plague and run ⁴⁷... into the midst of the congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people. ⁴⁸And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plaque was stopped (Numbers 16:46-48 KJV). The plague was stopped.

God expected His spiritual leaders to go in and run into the midst of the congregation and stop the plague. And so this is the Word that came to Pastor John and I. He was already speaking these words on the telephone the day before and I didn't know. Friday morning he confirmed it. So I read these scriptures to you so that faith can come to you. This is not just another, this is important to God. God says, "No. No, it may not come on you. It may not come on My people." And so that's what I saw, Pastor John, that from your body, from your body would go to the sick. But I also saw because I took one for me [praver cloth] on Friday, that I will prevent it with this before it even thinks it can come on me. Because the anointing is God's sickness-removing power. The anointing of the Holy Spirit is God's sickness-removing power. Hallelujah. It removes sickness and prevents.

Pastor John:

I've been speaking, as I've been talking about the resurrection life of Christ, I've been making it very clear because I've been listening to my own messages. I don't listen to criticise myself. I listen to receive the Word of God that God speaks through my vessel because I'm just a vessel. I'm His mouthpiece. And so, I have to receive the Word of God for myself. I listen to Brother Jerry, as well and those that God leads me to listen to that are my spiritual leaders, but it also comes to me through Pastor Sharon, Pastor Christi, people that God puts in our midst to speak through. So I recognise that I'm just a vessel. If you see me as the man of God - and you know

how I feel about this - the man of God that has a special anointing because he's the man of God. I'm just the vessel that God has sent. I don't need a special accolade, or a special whole lot of language that is attached to me because I'm standing here. I am clear that I'm just a vessel of God. There is nothing that I can do for you. There is nothing my body can do for you. But God has chosen in the same way in the book of Numbers, has chosen to send a man to stay the plague. He has chosen men on the earth that He would work through on occasion through their bodies, and through their vessels, through their mouths, and through things. There was a time when a king wanted a prophet to curse Israel and every time he opened his mouth, he could only bless them. God uses vessels. He uses vessels.

And so I want to stand with Pastor Sharon and declare that not only do these cloths keep COVID virus or any sickness and disease away from your body, but we declare that any sickness or disease that may have come on your body, when this comes and touches your body, healing power of God begins to do its mighty work in you. Hallelujah. The healing power of God, the mighty Word of God, the resurrected life of Jesus Christ begins to do its mighty work in your soul. It begins to restore you as an individual. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus. Praise Jesus. Praise Jesus. Glory to God. Glory to God.

So, when we did this on Friday with the staff, Pastor Sharon took those cloths and put it on my body. I want you to understand that in that moment, my humanity was challenged but the spirit man inside of me said, "This is the order of God, this is the Word of God. You have been teaching and preaching, John, that healing power is going to break out in the congregation and the resurrection life is going to show itself in healing power. And this is My execution of how it's happening. So it begins now." We speak on behalf of God. We do not speak for ourselves. We speak because of God and not because of ourselves. Hallelujah. We stand in fear of God that if we misrepresent Him on this matter that we will be judged by God for a misrepresentation. So we stand here doing what we must do.

Pastor Sharon:

That's right, Pastor John. And the thing is, Pastor John, what happened in me is that faith came to me that Friday morning, so that it didn't matter whether you had the faith for it or not. The faith came to me that if I would do that [*Pastor Sharon places a cloth on Pastor John's body*], and in accordance with the Scripture, and then I would do this [*Pastor Sharon places the same cloth in her pocket*], my faith is in that whether he has faith or not. My faith, my faith, and the Lord was saying to me, "Do you believe this, Sharon? I said, "Yes, Lord, I believe I believe this, Sharon? Do you believe this, Sharon?" And I said, "Yes, Lord, I believe. I believe this, Lord." So this is something for your faith, not something for Pastor John's faith. It's for your faith. I believe that if I will touch the hem of this garment, I believe that. So that's it. That's it. Hallelujah,

Pastor John:

That's right. Hallelujah. Let's do this my darling. You want to put it on my body, the way the Lord showed you to do. So we're going to just take a few and put it on my body. I'll tell you what the execution of the Lord has been for me this morning, that

we are not going to hand them out and neither are you going to walk out and collect it. You're going to have to come and get it because this is your faith that has to be put into action.

Pastor Sharon:

It's like, Pastor John, I won't ask you to do it but I would like to actually just put it all on the floor and your body, maybe just lie on it, you know? Like that. Because, you know, we want...

Pastor John:

That challenges my humanity, but I'm going to obey the Spirit of God.

Pastor Sharon:

I saw that, remember I told you. Thanks. Okay.

[Pastor Sharon places all the prayer cloths on the floor and Pastor John lies on the cloths]

Pastor John:

Well, I'll tell you what happened. When I was lying there on the floor, the Lord began to just speak to me, right there. He began to say to me that right here in this service this morning, God is beginning to heal as these cloths will touch your body, any sickness and disease is going to leave your body like that. Just like that. This is the moment, this is the moment some of you have been believing God for mental disorders to leave. This is the moment where some of you were believing that physical conditions that have been in your body for a long time, it's going to leave your body now, in the name of Jesus. There are some of you here today that have got liver function disorder, pancreatic disorders. It's what the Lord said to me when I was lying there; liver and pancreatic disorders and God is going to heal your body right now in the name of Jesus. As these cloths touch your body He's going to heal you in the name of Jesus. Hallelujah.

Those are the two things God said to me; mental disorders, oppression, depression, mental disorders, anything to do with the brain, anything to do with the brain - God is going to heal your body today. And whatever has been there, it's going to leave today in the name of Jesus. Anything that's got to do with your liver and your pancreas, it's going to leave and come to normal in the name of Jesus. Now, what's happening right now is unexpected for when I obeyed God because what's happening now is the word of knowledge is working. The word of knowledge is working for sickness and disease to leave your body. Hallelujah. Glory to God. You must take this, you must believe this, you must receive this. Glory to God. Glory to Jesus. Hallelujah. Glory, glory, glory. Praise Jesus.

Pastor Sharon:

My faith for this Pastor John, my faith for this is that what happened to John G Lake when he was praying for people when the bubonic plague broke out in the early 1900s. And he was praying for people and they were getting healed. And they came to him and said, "How come you're not getting the bubonic plague?" And he said, "Just put some of the plague on my hand and look, watch what happens under the microscope." And the plague died when it touched his skin because the Word of God concerning health and healing was working so mightily in his body that it couldn't penetrate. That's why the Lord said to me, "Sharon, you've got to come up in faith. You've got to. You've got to expose your eyes and your ears to scriptures. Get them in your heart. You can come up in faith in health and healing." So I've been coming up. And here we go. It's going to prevent anything, any virus, any droplets from anybody that breathes anywhere will not, will die on impact. I declare that. This is what I'm taking it for personally, Pastor John. It will prevent, it will prevent it.

Pastor John:

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus. I want to just tell you that the reason why I shared the humanity component of what I feel, is because that'll happen to you. Because the devil will lie to you and say to you it's just a cloth. But this is not just a cloth. This is your faith connected to the anointing. This is the glory of God. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise Jesus. Praise Jesus. And all glory, all glory, all glory is to Jesus. All glory is to Jesus. All glory to the name of Jesus. Hallelujah. Glory to God.

So if I can ask LeRoux and Liesl and Nienie and Hans, if you will come and just take some of these cloths and come and stand in the front here. Face the people and just separate a little bit away from each other. And so this is what I believe the Lord wants you to do, is He doesn't just want you to take it and say, "Okay, I've got a cloth," now when you walk out the door. Your faith is going to be activated when you get out of that chair and you come and stand here and you come and take the cloth because you are saying, "I believe and I receive this."

Yes, yes, thank you, Lord. I want to tell you what else is going to happen is there are habits, there are patterns in some people's lives here today - alcohol patterns, smoking patterns, patterns of perhaps pornography, there are patterns of all manner of things that have been going on in your life. Habits that you just haven't been able to get free of - medication, whatever it is. This is going to set you free today. This will set you free today. The glory and the anointing and the power of God is the resurrection life' is coming upon you in Jesus name. Hallelujah. So please come, come forward.

[Congregation comes to the front to receive a cloth]

Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Lord. Emotional oppression is going to leave in Jesus' name.

[Pastor John, Pastor Sharon and Pastor Garth worships the name of Jesus] We believe in Your name. We praise You, Lord. Jesus. Healing Jesus, today. Jesus, Your wonderful name. There is healing in the name of Jesus. It is Jesus. Only Jesus. We praise Your name, Jesus.

Pastor John:

Praise You, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus. Join us, Garth, just praise. Just sing the name of Jesus.

[Pastor John, Pastor Sharon and Pastor Garth worships the name of Jesus] It's the name of Jesus. It's the healing power of Jesus. Trust in His name. His name is Jesus. Jesus, You're our mighty God. We love You, Lord. We praise Your mighty name. Jesus.

Sing with us, people. Stand, please.

[Congregation sing with the pastors] Jesus, Your wonderful name. We praise Your name. Jesus. Jesus.

Pastor John:

Jesus. There is healing in the name of Jesus. There's power in the name of Jesus. It's the name of Jesus that we... it's greater than any other name. Every sickness must bow to the name of Jesus. Every mental condition, every emotional condition, every physical condition must bow to the name of Jesus. There is no name that is named on earth that has more power than the name of Jesus. The name of Jesus is the name above every other name, and everything must bow to the name of Jesus. Everything must bow to the name of Jesus. Every sickness, every disease, every oppression, every depression must bow to the name of Jesus. Hallelujah. Jesus.

We love You, Lord. We love You, Jesus. We thank You for Your healing power that is here today. We receive it. We sing Your name because we believe Your name. We sing Your name because we trust in Your name. We sing Your name because Your name has got power. We sing Your name because it saved us, redeemed us, has brought us life. We sing Your name because in Your name is joy and strength. We speak the name of Jesus without shame. We speak the name of Jesus with great joy. We speak the name of Jesus because He is Lord of all. He is Lord of lords and King of kings. Hallelujah, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus.

In the name of Jesus, I declare that your week is blessed. Your week has the anointing of Jesus, preparing everything before you even go into a circumstance. Wisdom and understanding belongs to you. Healing belongs to you. Spiritual revelation belongs to you. And in the name of Jesus I say; sickness, poverty, scarcity, joblessness leaves your life. We speak work into your hands. Jobs come to you in Jesus' name. Turnover and income begins to flow in your life. Hallelujah. The favour of God goes before you. You're blessed going in and blessed coming out and everything in your life is favoured. Hallelujah, because of the name of Jesus, because of the great and mighty name of Jesus. Jesus. Hallelujah. Hallelujah Jesus. Hallelujah, Jesus. Praise You, Lord. Thank you.

Well, you know when you have a service like this, you don't want to close it. But I guess it's time for us to just go into the next part of our day with Jesus. Hallelujah. Thank you for coming to church. May the Lord be with you. Hallelujah. Amen.