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once and for all was settled.

- a. The seed (His words) had been planted, and He knew that they would bear much fruit.
 - b. Jesus tells us that the ”imperishable seed” are both “spirit and life.”
 - c. His words are the “imperishable seed” and those that find them can live by every word that comes from His mouth.
4. Let us believe the seed of God is doing its work, without digging them up to see if God’s words are working.
 - a. If the farmer, without any definite promise, can have faith in nature, why can’t the Christian have faith in the God of nature.
 5. The psalmist said, **“Thy Word hath quickened me.”** Paul tells us that it is the Word, which **“effectually worketh”** in them that believe.
 - a. Every Word of God is “spirit and life” and will work in us when we receive and **“attend”** to it.
 6. Paul understood these principles of God and he said: **“The power of God worketh in me mightily.”**

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“THREE ESSENTIALS FOR HEALING”

PART II

- XI. No other passage shows the believer the method of obtaining results from the promises in God’s Word better than Proverbs 4:20-22.
 - A. First there is *the attentive ear*. **“Incline thine ear unto my sayings.”**
 1. Second there must be *the steadfast look*. **“Let them not depart from thine eyes.”**
 2. Thirdly there must be *the enshrining heart*. **“Keep them in the midst of thine heart.”**

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- B. When a Christian’s eyes are upon their symptoms and their mind is occupied with them more than with God’s Word, they have in the ground of their heart the wrong kind of seed for the harvest that they desire.
1. They have seeds of doubt, and they are trying to raise one kind of crop from another kind of seed.
 - a. It is impossible to sow tares and reap wheat.
 - b. Your symptoms may point you to death, but God’s Word points you to life, and you cannot look in these opposite directions at the same time.
 2. This is a good time in the lesson to ask, what kind of seed do you have in your heart (ground)?
 3. Recall, the Word of God tells us **“Let not God’s Word depart from thine eyes; keep it in the midst of thine heart.”**
 - a. That is, look steadfastly and continuously and only at the evidence God gives for your faith.
 4. From the beginning God says to all incurables, **“every one that looketh shall live.”**
 - a. The word **“looketh”** is in the continuous present tense.
 - b. It does not mean a mere glance, but **“let [His Words] not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.”**
 5. God is calling for our attention here, and His Words are exceedingly powerful.
 - a. It is our heavenly Father who speaks.
 - b. All Heaven is behind His Words.
 - c. His Words are quickening and full of virtue (power).
 - d. If you find them, they are life (zoe) and health, not only to the soul, but to the body, not to a particular part of it, but to **“all their flesh.”**
 6. If a person could come up with a medicine to effect a cure of a single

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member of the body, it would make that person rich and famous.

7. Here in Christ we have a medicine for all the flesh – from our head to our feet.
 - a. Here is a Physician of infinite ability **“who healeth all thy diseases.”**

“THE SEED IS THE EVIDENCE OF THINGS NOT SEEN”

- C. When a Christian plants God’s word (seed), they must believe it is growing before they see it grow.
 1. This is faith that is **“the evidence of things not seen.”**
 - a. In Jesus (The Word) we have perfect evidence for faith.
 2. How do we get rid of our doubts?
 - a. In order to get rid of doubt a Christian must look steadfastly and only at the evidence that God has given for our faith.
 - b. Seeing only what God says will produce and increase faith.
 - c. This and only this will rid the believer of doubt and increase their faith to believe.
 - d. The evidences for faith are much stronger than those for doubting!
 3. The “look of faith” at Christ is our means of receiving God’s blessings.
 - a. There is life (zoe) in a “steadfast look” at the Crucified One.
 - b. No one ever looks in vain to the Great Physician.
 4. Every one that looked at the brazen serpent, the type of Christ, lived.
 - a. The psalmist said: **“And their faces were not ashamed.”**
 - b. They were all, humanly speaking, incurable, but they were both forgiven and healed by looking.
 5. The person who trusts Christ has no need to be ashamed of his belief that rests in confidence.
 - a. Time and eternity will both justify his reliance on God.

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“BUILDING HIS IMAGE INTO US”

D. On December 3, 1989 God came to me in a vision and said, “*I will build into you My image and we will do great things together.*”

1. The question that came to my mind was, what did God mean when He said, He would build into me His image?
2. The first thing I did was to look up the definition of the word image.
 - a. The first definition of image was a reproduction of the form of a person.
 - b. I felt strongly that when God told me that He wanted to build into me His image that He was not talking about reproducing me in His form.
3. So, I looked at the next definition and it was for physics: It stated, *an optically formed duplicate, counterpart, or other representative reproduction of an object, especially an optical reproduction of an object formed by a lens or mirror.*
 - a. This definition from physics felt right to me, and I now knew that the image God wanted to build in me was one that He already possessed in His mind.
4. It took some time for me to receive a fuller revelation concerning this matter

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“WHEN GOD BUILDS HIS IMAGE INTO MAN”

XII. When God spoke to me in 1989, He said, “*I will build into you My image and we will do great things together.*”

- A. One day, several years after the vision, “revelation knowledge” rose up in me as I studied Mark Chapter 4.
 1. As I was reading Mark 4 I came across verse 11 which stated: “**And He**