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ON FAITH PART 8: HEALTH AND WEALTH

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1. The Bible says to visit the house of mourning if you want cogitative wisdom. Ecclesiastes 7:2-4. The house of mourning is not necessarily a funeral parlor. A hospital qualifies as house of mourning. #Illuminare
2. You become sober when you visit a hospital. It's the opposite of a house of mirth – a night club or beer parlor. What is alarming is the continual supply of patients. The flow just never stops. #Illuminare
3. There is a political dimension to disease. Disease has an ideological posture. By nature, it is an oppressor. The oppression is so powerful there's collegiate resignation by the afflicted. They simply bow powerless. Sickness is hell bent on subjugating the human soul.
4. The affliction of a disease like cancer induces unimaginable terror. The Bible acknowledges the political ideology of disease. It also identifies the personage behind the oppression. We're told Jesus went about doing good and healing all that were OPPRESSED - #Illuminare
5. -OF THE DEVIL. Acts 10:38. In other words, Satan uses disease to oppress people. When Jesus was confronted over the healing of a woman with a symptom of camptocormia or bent spine syndrome (BSS) on the Sabbath, he asked - #Illuminare
6. - "Ought not this woman, WHOM SATAN HAS KEPT BOUND for eighteen years BE LOOSED FROM THIS BOND on Sabbath day?" Luke 13:16. He had said to her, "Woman, YOU ARE RELEASED from your infirmity." Luke 13:12. #Illuminare
7. According to the Bible, that woman "had an infirmity caused by a demon of sickness." She was so bent over she couldn't look up. She was forced by a demon to look down all her life, like a slave before her master. The devil uses disease as a means of political oppression.

8. Jesus said the rulers of this world lord it over their subjects. Matthew 20:25. Satan is the god of this world. 2 Corinthians 4:4. He lords it over humans. #Illuminare

9. God is NOT trying to teach you a lesson with any disease. He has your phone number he can talk to you directly. "I will INSTRUCT you and TEACH you in the way you should go; I will COUNSEL you with my eyes on you." Psalm 32:8. #Illuminare

10. "Agree with God, and be at peace; thereby good will come to you. Receive instruction FROM HIS MOUTH, and lay up his WORDS in your heart". Job 22:21-22. "You guide me with your COUNSEL, and afterward you will receive me to glory." Psalm 73:24. #Illuminare

11. God doesn't teach his children by afflicting them with disease. He's not a wicked dad. He teaches with words. #Illuminare

12. Jesus took care of both our ailments and the political oppression of the devil. It's why he subjected himself to the beating and torture. His oppression by the political establishment foreshadowed our spiritual oppression. #Illuminare

13. "HE WAS OPPRESSED, yet when he was afflicted he was submissive and opened not his mouth." Isaiah 53:7. In other words, when Jesus refused to answer Herod's questions, he was enacting the political oppression of the devil. Luke 23:9. #Illuminare

14. That's why he scarcely replied his interrogators. WE imagine that the value chain of our healing began with the scourging of Jesus based on Isaiah 53:5, but in actual fact it began before the scourging. It began at his trial. #Illuminare

15. "By OPPRESSION and judgement he was taken away." Isaiah 53:8. Jesus not only healed our physical and emotional diseases, he set us free from the bondage of the devil. #Illuminare

16. But here's the problem: we've been so subjected to oppression for so long psychological damage has been done. It affects our prayers. We're so used to being oppressed by the devil, begging and placating him, that we seek to apply the same approach to God. #Illuminare

17. And so instead of boldly claiming what Jesus has done for us as the Bible says, we resort to begging God, pleading with him to save and heal us. As if he's Satan. And when those prayers go unanswered, we take offence. #Illuminare

18. But the reason the prayers are not answered is because they're not according to his will. "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we pray according to his will, he hears us..." #Illuminare

19. "...And if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired." 1 John 5:14-15. #Illuminare

20. Stop begging God to heal you. He already has. 1 Peter 2:24 says by the wounds of Jesus you WERE healed. It's in the past tense. You were healed two thousand years ago. Claim your healing, rebuke Satan and thank God for your healing. #Illuminare

21. You need a certain psychological posture to fight off diseases and sicknesses. You need righteous indignation. If you don't hate your illness for the pain and discomfort at least hate the fact you're being oppressed. #Illuminare
22. Hate the fact someone is trying to steal your joy, trying to cheat you out of your inheritance. Jesus is your Lord and master, why accept the lordship of the devil? If you don't get angry you'll be supplicant to the disease. #Illuminare
23. What you accommodate you can't fight. Same principle applies to poverty. In scriptures for some reason prosperity is linked to health. You have to hate poverty. Stop creating justification for poverty. Don't accept it. Prosperity is your right. #Illuminare
24. The four pillars of the atonement are forgiveness of sin, the healing of our bodies, deliverance from evil, redemption from poverty. #Illuminare
25. In much the same way, Jesus became sin for us in order to redeem us from sin (2 Corinthians 5:21); so did he partake of death to free us from the power of death (Hebrews 2:14); - #Illuminare
26. -so did he subject himself to oppression to deliver us from Satan's oppression (Isaiah 53:7-8); so did he become poor that we might become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9). #Illuminare
27. If you believe God saved you, you have to believe he has prospered you. They're both in the same package. All you need do is activate the principles of prosperity to release the blessing. #Illuminare
28. You need to work (2 Thessalonians 3:10); you need to be faithful (Luke 16:10-11); you need to sow (2 Corinthians 9:8); and you mustn't cheat (Psalm 62:10). Follow the word. There is no emergency anointing for prosperity, any more than there's anointing - #Illuminare
29. - for salvation or forgiveness of sin. All that talismanic stuff is nothing but laziness. "Lazy people want much but get little, but those who work hard will prosper." Proverbs 13:4 NLT. There are so many religious frivolities – #Illuminare
30. - seeming shortcuts to prosperity that are ideas of men and not in the Bible. "He who tills the land shall be satisfied with bread. But he who follows frivolity is devoid of understanding." Proverbs 12:11. Some people chase foolish fantasies – #Illuminare
31. - stupid dreams. But the Bible says "a person who chases fantasies has no sense." Proverbs 12:11b NLT. There's no overnight success with God. It is Satan who promises overnight success. And it's soon over overnight. God is particular about the law of faithfulness. #Illuminare
32. You have to prove yourself faithful in little before he can give you much. That's how it works. Now, remember that I mentioned the scriptures link prosperity and health? This is the verse of scripture: "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper - #Illuminare
33. - and be in health, even as thy soul prospers." 3 John 1:2. Believe God's wishes. I wish you health and wealth in the coming year. Happy New year in advance. #Illuminare

34. I want you to give your life to Jesus. Please pray this prayer: "Father I come to you in the name of Jesus. I confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in my heart that God raised him from the dead. I am saved. Amen." #Illuminare

35. To read "On Faith Part 8: Health and wealth", go to <https://t.co/LP4FxyJwDO> #Illuminare

36. To understand the Christian walk from a contemporary perspective, read my book, Conversations of a 21st Century Saint. Order at <https://t.co/AqMO38sntS>. #Illuminare

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