

11 Conclusion

To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Colossians 1:27

Look at John 15:1-8. Ultimately, what is the only way to carry out Biblical Health Care? By taking Jesus Christ with us wherever we go, allowing Him to minister to people's needs, to heal, to restore.

Health care is a parable of the gospel: physical disease and death serve to remind us of our spiritual disease (sin) and death (separation from God, both now and for all eternity (hell)); physical cure and restoration of function are God's grace to all mankind and they reflect God's special grace of redemption and forgiveness of sin, of reconciliation to God, for all who will accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and His atoning sacrifice on the cross as payment for their sin.

Therefore, in health care there are both physical and spiritual issues going on; the two cannot be separated. Unfortunately, health care has moved farther and farther away from God and these truths, and now has even moved away from patient care and healing and has become a quest to conquer disease and death through man's own power (science). As a result, patients' needs are not met, and they are not healed or even cared for or ministered to. Consequently, health care is in a state of crisis due to the failure of the biomedical model and the decline of the physician-patient relationship. The answer to this crisis is for health care students and professionals to commit to go against the medical culture and paradigm and to provide Biblical health care, ministering to patients' needs, and offering healing for both body and soul as God works in and through them. As more and more act under the mentorship and leadership of Jesus Christ, a second revolution will occur in health care, on every level. You have the privilege and the opportunity to see Jesus work in and through you to cure and heal patients and health care itself; however, rejoice not in this, but in your redemption and your relationship with Jesus Christ, Who is the Great Physician, and the Healer of our souls.

Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last." I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star." And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.