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# My Coming out from the Grave

(My testimony)

***\*\*Ezekiel 37:13-14 (New King James Version)***

***13. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves.***

***14. I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it and performed it," says the LORD."***

In 2005 I was diagnosed with cancer. I was also classified to be inoperable, because the cancer affected the bone. There was some time left to delay the impending death using traditional methods of therapy.

It happened right before my wedding. Our wedding guest list was quickly replaced by long lists of doctors and prescriptions. After submitting a request to the local Marriage Hall, accompanied by my doctor's note we were quickly put ahead of the usual waiting list. We had no family members or friends with us on that day, (we had yet to prepare our parents for the serious changes in our lives). There was no wedding dress, no decorated limousines... We arrived to the marriage hall by public transportation, dressed casually in jeans , but with flowers

and an overpowering desire to live. There was only one person who we called on that day and asked to accompany us- our pastor.

The marriage hall's entire staff gathered to look at us, curious to see the young woman who wanted to be married before dying. We were pleasantly surprised that that they insisted on holding the full marriage ceremony for us, complete with the musical accompaniments and the great celebration hall, all free of charge!

And then I began the process of battling death and discovering the truth. I would not exchange that journey for the world. It is mine! And I walked it hand in hand with God! The Bible says: "You will know the truth and the truth shall set you free". You see, God Himself is the truth, and today I am free. It did not happen over a day, or a month, or a year. The way to learning the truth is long, narrow, and difficult, but also superior to anything else.

When I was checked into the hospital for treatment, I had two books with me: the Bible and F.F. Bosworth's book *Christ the Healer*. At that point the doctors were doing their job to help me and God in turn was doing His. I searched the Bible for scriptures about healing and marked them up with yellow post-its so that I could revisit them later on. I placed my hope into the Almighty God. My Bible began to fill with little yellow bookmarks. I was looking for an answer, because the doctors had already given me theirs. When I was being checked into the hospital for treatment, undergoing preliminary tests and filling out paperwork, the doctor pulled my husband aside and advised him to begin planning his future. Her prognosis stated that he would soon become a widower. My parents were told the following by the medical staff, "This is pretty much a closed case. However, we will see what we can do."

I went through the entire grinder of the traditional medical treatments, and I allowed my body to be crushed to the point of no return. It so happened that, at the time, I did not know what I firmly believe today. I was not spiritually prepared for what was happening to me. Although I did have an understanding that God can heal, because once He had already stopped a deadly illness in my body. When it happened, my family and I received it as a miracle. Yet even that experience of God's mercy was not sufficient to resist cancer.

The doctors were under the impression that I did not fully understand the seriousness of my situation, because they always saw a smile on my face. I would walk around the hospital floors and pray for people. No one pushed me away. I tried to comfort people and told them the story of how God healed me once from an incurable illness. I would tell them that there is hope for them yet. People listened to me with genuine attention, but every now and again someone would ask, "Why then are you here now?" And then I did not know what to reply. The best I could come up with was, "I am here for you! To bring you hope and help you believe that God heals today."

I was walking along this path... Four cycles of exhausting treatments would be followed by a week of rest and reprieve, and then my body already half eaten by cancer would be once again boiled, poisoned by chemo, and killed over and over again with radiation...

I quickly began to lose weight. My legs hardly moved. I could not eat due to the acute intoxication of the organism...

Once, during an interval between treatments I was brought home. It was late autumn, and our house at the time was surrounded by a park. There were so many colors in the leaves of the trees! I asked to be helped to stand, with my feet buried in the multicolored carpet of the fallen leaves on the ground. I breathed them in, inhaling this autumn into my lungs, understanding that it could my last. Everything in me was being re-prioritised and re-evaluated. The only thing I remember not feeling was fear, as strange as it was... Ask any believer, whether they fear death? (I mean genuine believers, not just those who believe in the existence of God.) I think more often than not you will hear a negative response. In a strange and inexplicable way God gives us assurance in that which we cannot see. Thus with every cell of my body I felt then that He did not abandon me. I prayed, submerged myself in the Bible, prayed some more, then read about divine healing... In the short time that the doctors allowed me I would try to get to know God's will and His position regarding my situation. I felt the faith in the invisible and the impossible grow in me stronger than ever. Perhaps it sounds strange, but that time was a wondrous one. God was so close! And His strength was accomplished by my weakness.

In F.F. Bosworth's book, *Christ the Healer*, I read that we are the soil into which the seed of the Word of God is planted. I began to perceive the Bible differently. It is referred to as the word of life. I was thus sowing life into myself.

The last time I walked out of my doctor's office I was told, "There are no miracles." To which I answered, "You'd be surprised..." I was convinced that I would not return to that place under any circumstances. The reason for my discharge was that I could not withstand any more treatments. I was told to file for disability. Although I did not consider myself disabled, the doctors were not wrong in classifying me in this way. At the time of discharge my internal organs resembled a scrambled mess. I could practically feel my body coming apart at the seams, so to speak. There were parts of me with no skin covering the surface. All the functions of the organism responsible for resisting death were completely disabled. I had no physical strength left. I understood that no one and nothing could help me at that point, except God.

Returning home meant entering another battlefield. The subsequent effects of radiation treatments are unpredictable and can manifest themselves in the most horrific ways. I lost the skin of my entire mouth cavity, and it felt like being flayed alive. There were puss filled sores and unspeakable pain... I was unable to sleep or eat, and could hardly drink anything. Each turn of the head would cause a blood flow and a bout of pain so strong it would send my body into violent tremors... Pain medication brought no relief.

I spent over seven days in this state. I prayed ceaselessly. I was desperate for God's intervention! When my husband left for church to attend all-night prayer, the entire congregation prayed for me. That night I finally slept, and in my sleep I could feel that the illness had loosened its grip on me. In the morning I could feel my wounds begin to heal. God never left me. He was leading me out of death.

My home computer was set up so that I could watch television programs on it. Monday through Friday at 7:30 am, the NTN channel would broadcast "Believer's Voice of Victory" with Kenneth and Gloria Copeland. A sermon for each day, and often a message of healing. My husband would record the program in the morning and throughout

the day I would listen to it over and over again. I would go over the scriptures mentioned in the program, immerse myself in God's presence, contemplate, repeat and review... Believe.

And then the day came, when I was able to throw a bagful of prescription drugs into the garbage can. Although I still had pain, I saw no point in taking the drugs anymore. Something changed in me! My faith in God rose above everything that I could physically see and feel.

Slowly and gradually, I began to get back on my feet, go back to work, pick up the blueprints again...

...Today I hardly remember the way to the hospital. I do not depend on doctors and do not take medications. All my internal organs are functioning well. I am healthy and happy. I am a person who believes in the Mighty God, and in miracles. I have been taught by the Lord how to resist the disease and pain of this world. The laws of this world lead to destruction and death, and people perish along with it. However, there are laws which are not of this world, that allow us to live according to a different nature: without sickness and disease, without defeat or need. For this to become a reality we must learn from the One Who set those laws in motion. He is the Doctor, able and willing to cure all sickness, soothe all the pain, ready to create new kidneys, eyes, teeth... He is the Creator.

Believe me, I know what I am talking about. I am begging you to believe!

*With a prayer for your healing  
having twice risen from the grave  
Irina Belova-Smorzh*



# Why did this book need to be born?

Foreword

**\*\*Proverbs 24:11**

*Deliver those who are drawn toward death, And hold back those stumbling to the slaughter.*

**\*\*John 3:16**

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

**\*\*1Peter 2:24**

*...who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness – by whose stripes you were healed.*

This book is for those people who know what it's like to be sent home to die with the words, «We've done everything we could...».

This book is for all those who feel helpless, whose efforts to restore to life their terminally ill loved ones have failed.

This book is for those who are exhausted by endless medications and hospital visits.

This book is for those who have been attending church for many years, but continue to struggle with disease in their bodies, frequently visit the doctor, spend a great deal of money on surgeries and do not have a revelation that it is not the way it should be.

This book is also for those who do not attend church, but wish to be healthy and whole, even if it means turning to God for help...

This book is for those who wish to learn how to live healthy and stay healthy: without sickness and pain, without worrying about what the next winter's flu may bring, without helplessness and despair that everything has been tried, and nobody on the earth can stop cancer, HIV, asthma, schizophrenia... and help others...

In this book I will speak about the Only One Who is powerful to heal today. I find it difficult to be silent, having experienced the power of the resurrection in action in my own life. I do not want people to have to die when there is a real way out of any terminal illness. It is not a myth, it is the truth about God's grace. I share this message everywhere: in the newspapers, on the radio, during church services. I teach what I have learned, and am still learning.

I present to you a handbook on how to battle diseases.

I gathered everything I have said, written and preached on the radio for those who are suffering from an illness and for those who seek for help for their loved ones.

I am adding my testimony about my experience of coming out from the grave as well as some testimonies of people whose lives I have been a witness to and a part of, but mostly Biblical stories and verses of the Scripture. I also used testimonies and experience of renowned God's generals: John G. Lake, Smith Wigglesworth, Kenneth E. Hagen, Oral Roberts, Katherine Kulman... and also God's teachers and witnesses of God's healing power of nowadays: Kenneth and Gloria Copeland, Makhesh Chavda and Benny Hinn... Their great work and feat of faith influenced my resurrection.

I would not be able to learn so much about Jesus as the Healer on my own in such a short period of time as I did. I did not have enough time

to become a giant of faith. When the process of dying has begun in my body, I had to put a stop to it with the process of faith. I had been going to church for a long time. I had seen a lot of healing miracles done by the Holy Spirit, but there had been no SCHOOL of healing at the time. We were not taught to lean on God's truth for support in order to be able to "take a punch" and then fight off all weakness and disease. Today I keep learning this and I thank God for people who helped my quest for knowledge about His healing truth!

This is, in fact, a guide for fighting against disease, a technique I used to escape the clutches of death with a claim to divine health. I preach to you the true healing of Jesus Christ, as all of these principles I list come directly from the Word of God – the Bible. Believe me, that all other methods in attempt to survive a terminal illness inevitably lead to disappointment. They result in a waste of time, money and strength. It is the kind of life that quickly exhausts all involved: you and the family members who look after you.

God wants us to seek Him as the Healer. He is prepared to give us the answers to all of our problems. He desires to heal His children! He loves us so much! He tore the curtain in the temple that separated Him from man. Today everything is accessible to us. However, if we do not know any of this, then we cannot accept what He has prepared for us. Having learned the truth we need to receive it from His hands, from His words, from the Bible.

These things which I write are not based on my personal opinion. The only real compass of truth is the Word of God. I am certain that, if you seek, you will find there are people around you who know more than you about it, and who can teach you. They can help you, and make the process of learning about your Creator and Healer clear and simple. None of us have descended from apes. The One Who created us made no mistake. He had not created us for suffering, disease and curses. He created us very well indeed. If we are broken, He stands ready to fix us up. He is our Father. He does not want us to be destroyed by disease. He loves to make us happy.

I can help you today by sharing with you everything that I know about it. Like never before I believe that, when the Gospel is preached, the word

being spoken attracts God's healing power like a magnet. The sound of the word about divine healing attracts miracles. God never changes. He heals today just as He healed 2000 years ago. As He raised men from the dead, He does it today. He delivers. He comforts. He saves. He protects... He does it, because of His great mercy, but according to our faith. As a Doctor He does His job very well. Our part is to trust Him.

You can let God come into your life even now, and He will heal you. Or you can put this book aside. But if you dare to believe God about your healing, you will be set free from any weakness, pain, disease and death. In order to trust the God Whom you do not see more than your own symptoms, which you feel, you need to get to know Him as a Healer, to get know Him intimately. It will not be easy. Perhaps it will not be quick. You will need to work hard, but your life is truly worth it.

One athlete, with whom my husband competed in the veterans swimming championship in Sweden, had a slogan printed on his T-shirt: "The pain of self-discipline is easier to take than the pain of disappointment".

If you discipline yourself in order to train your spirit according to the Word of God and you remain faithful in it, no disease can stay in your body. It will retreat, if you resist it. The point is to understand: like any other miracles, healing comes only from God.

Begin by praying to Him.

*Heavenly Father! Forgive me all my sins! Forgive me for living without You for such a long time! Come into my life, Jesus! I confess You as my Lord and Saviour! Be my Healer! I need You! I believe that You died for me on the Cross and rose again on the third day. I believe that Your Blood washed away all of my sins and diseases, and by Your stripes I am healed. I give You my life. I give into Your loving hands my spirit, soul and body. I thank You for accepting me the way I am, forgiving me and healing my soul and body. Right now by faith I receive life without disease and pain. Thank You, Father!*

If you do not have the Bible, get one. Let it be in your native language or any other that you can easily read and clearly understand. You need

to plunge headfirst into the Bible. It is the word that will heal you. When you see in my book the Scripture verses, open your Bible, look for these words, abide in them... It is a miraculous process. I will help you. Prepare to be healed and be healthy! In the name of Jesus!

## Chapter 1

# I am the Lord your healer

**\*\*Exodus 15:25,26**

*25. So he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree. When he cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet. There He made a statute and an ordinance for them, and there He tested them,  
26. and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you."*

God offers us to accept Him as the Healer. The only Healer, so that there would be nothing broken and nothing missing within us. He always gives us a choice.

**\*\*Deuteronomy 30:15**

*"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil..."*

**\*\*Deuteronomy 30:19**

*I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have*

***set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live.***

It is always up to us: to choose His way of healing or our own way (the one we're used to, one the whole world follows, a tangible way, which can be analyzed...).

We often choose an easier way – we limit ourselves to taking medicine, which only reduces pain or visual symptoms of disease. However, medicine does not remove the source of illness, because the root of illness lies in the invisible spiritual dimension. Medicine cannot penetrate into this dimension. It is a spiritual issue, and it should be solved on a spiritual level.

*From the book of Kenneth E. Hagin “The basics of spiritual growing» (Lesson 9 “Faith and senses”, page 22)*

*God’s healing is a spiritual healing. If medicine heals, it heals physically. “Christian science” heals through mind, but when God heals, He heals through spirit.*

Do not limit yourself by relying on doctors alone. God desires to give you much more – His healing. In reality He has already done it. Our part is to receive it, while trusting Him.

It is not enough to ease the pain and be satisfied. The pain has feet. It is obliged to leave the person who has been redeemed. The pain must be forbidden, by the power of Jesus Who has won over it. Otherwise the pain will wait until the painkiller wears off and then come back to spread itself all over the body as a consequence of the disease, the root of which remains. It is such a pity that we can consent to surgical operation, but at the same time refuse the hand of the Almighty Healer. It is not enough to get rid of the pain if the tumour is still there. When the pain abates, we get a temporary respite and feel a sense of relief. That is why we do not have a desire to spend time seeking God’s face. We have a lot of things to do, which draw us away from God. This is nothing new under the sky. We can see in the Bible, book of Exodus, that the Pharaoh had the same mentality as we have today.

***\*\*Exodus, 8:15***

***But when Pharaoh saw that there was relief, he hardened his heart and did not heed them, as the LORD had said.***

While the Pharaoh suffered the stinging of flies, the plague of frogs, he called out to the God of Moses for help and was prepared to accept all of His conditions. However, when some relief came, Pharaoh returned to his old self: with his old stronghold, anger and envy.. In fact, these emotions, if given free reign, cause diseases in us today. They destroy our souls and then ruin our flesh.

God gives us His ways of healing. Jesus and the word of God open these ways for us.

The Bible is called the Book of Life, the living Word. The word of God is living and active.

***\*\*Hebrew 4:12***

***For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.***

It always fulfills its purpose.

***\*\*Isaiah 55:11***

***So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.***

God has already sent His healing word to Earth in the person of Jesus Christ, therefore we have everything to keep us from perishing.

***\*\*Psalm 107:20***

***He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.***

He sent His word over 2000 years ago. Today every man can either accept this fact or not. Why did God do this?



**\*\*John 3:15,16**

***15. that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.***

***16. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.***

Should not perish! Should not perish! Do you wish not to perish in this dying world? Do you want to be completely healthy in this sickly world? Do you want to be safe among the world's many dangers?.. Let us continue to look into this question.

What happened on the cross of Calvary 2000 years ago?

**\*\*Isaiah 53:4-6**

***4. Surely He has borne our grieves And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.***

***5. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed.***

***6. All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.***

He took upon Himself all of our sins, which were the primary causes of our diseases. Where there is a sin, there are sure to be diseases. If there is no sin, there is nothing for diseases to take hold of. Jesus achieved victory by His own death and destroyed the power of sin, infirmity, diseases and death.

**\*\*1Peter 2:24**

***Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness — by whose stripes you were healed.***

We have been healed. We have been redeemed. We have been paid for by the blood of Jesus. The soul is in the blood. A sacrifice has been made for every single soul. We will never be able to repay God's sacrifice for it was priceless. He did it unconditionally, with His great love and according

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