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Nathaniel Bronner: I've got a good message for you today. Turn to your neighbor and look at him and say, "He got a good message for us today." And I got it all outlined and a scripture basis and everything here, computer, printed out nice and neat. I've got a good message for you today. One of the best messages I've ever had, good message. Look at your neighbor again and tell them again, "He got a good message for today." And you know a lot of times God will take you and send you in a direction that's totally different than that which you have prepared.

And today as I was standing back into back. I like for Tyrone Smith to just stand up. And Tyrone, I want you walk out. I want you to climb and sit up here on the pulpit with me. You all don't know who he is. He's a friend of mine from high school over 20 years ago. And he is unique in the fact that we went through and experience together. And God had told me a few weeks ago, he said, "The next time he comes to this church and you are preaching. You are to talk about that experience." And I didn't expect you this soon. He had been once before to the weekend word and I knew that he worked the night shift. So, I figured he wasn't going to be back to the weekend word for a long time. And as a result, I hadn't really prepare for it and when I saw him walk into the sanctuary this morning, I said, "Oh my God, God has told me to preach on that experience." And I haven't prepared the message.

The message that I have prepared is there. And many times, God will tell you to do something and you will feel that you are not prepared to do it. But any time God tells you to do something, you are equipped to do it. You may not be willing to do it. But you are equipped to do it. God has given you the provisions to do it. You may be stubborn. You maybe lazy and you maybe disobedient, but if God has told you to do something, no matter how difficult or how impossible it may seem, if you follow what he has told you to do, then you will be able to do it.

Open your Bibles to the book of Deuteronomy. That's very easy to find, its right in the front of the Bible. Everybody knows where that is. Open your Bibles to the book of Deuteronomy to chapter 32. And I'll be reading from Deuteronomy chapter 32 and verse 39. If you've got it say, "Amen." "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand." I'm going to read that again. "See now that I, even

I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand.” And I’m going to be focusing primarily on the passage right in the middle of that verse which simply says, “I wound and I heal.”

Now you’re wondering why I asked Tyrone Smith, a high school friend from over 20 years ago to come and sit on the pulpit with me. Well back in about 1972, Tyrone Smith and I ran with a group of fellow and you know always back then, times change, techniques change, technology change, but the principles always remain the same. Only the stuff change. But the principles always remaining the same. And you see, each one of us at that time, the race of the time where two-wheel vehicles, mini bikes, motor bikes and motorcycles. And I started with a mini bike and graduated from that to a motor scooter and from that to a smaller motorcycle.

And at the time when Tyron and I became friends, I had a big motorcycle. I was 14 years old. And I had a Honda 305 Super Hawk. Now, those of you that don’t know anything about motorcycles, I still ride a motorcycle today. And even today I’ve got a Vulcan 1500. It’s the largest cruiser motorcycle made. And at the time, the 305 is not nearly as large as the 1500, but it seems to be just as big back then, if not bigger because I was smaller. And you see, things are not necessarily what they are. It’s what they are relative to where you are. There are somethings now, but as you look back on, they seem like molehills.

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But at the time, they seem like a mountain. There are some things in you life now that you can handle with these. We have many people here that in a modelling group. There was once a time when stepping out on a runway in front of thousands of people broke fear into your heart. It makes your legs tremble, your heart beat fast, your perspiration increase, your hair stood on in. It scared you.

At the time when you are a babe in that business, just stepping out into a venture, it seem like a mountain. But as you mature in something that which was a mountain now appears as a molehill.

And at the time that 305 Super Hawk was a mountain. The motorcycle was so big that I knew that if it tilted too far, I did not have the muscular strength to hold it up. It was so heavy. That if it leans beyond about a 50- or 60-degree angle, there was nothing I could do but let it fall and I had to get somebody to help me pick it up. It was just that huge. And I always knew that if that motorcycle ever fell on me, it would be basically destroy me because it was so big and it was so heavy.

On the group that I ran around where at the time I had the biggest motorcycle of anybody in the group. And I had the motorcycle at the age of 14 which was really the age of getting a driver's license, was 16. I had two years before I really had a driver's license. And you may ask, "Well why did your father even let you have a motorcycle, when you didn't even have a driver's license?" Because I had a paper route and I had to get up at four o'clock every morning and go on my paper route and I used the motorcycle to get around on my paper that I had to go to work. I had a J-O-B. and I had a humungous motorcycle. And my mother always told me, "Son, be careful on that motorcycle." She worried about me on that motorcycle. Because that's the normal feel and that's the normal emotion of a mother.

Whenever a child goes out with anything, it's a mother's natural heart to worry about their child. My father was a little tougher. He knew that somehow, he had to let the child go out and beat his head up against some hard things sometimes that teach the child a lesson and he knew that he couldn't show to the child unless he makes the child a sissy.

So, my father understood some things and he would remove me from the protection of my mother. My mother would sometime question, "(00:07:29) why are you letting that boy and these children get out at four o'clock in the morning and it's dark, and it's dangerous out there? You're letting them get out and go to work out in a freezing weather, its cold. Why are you letting this child get up this time of morning to go on a paper route?" She couldn't understand some of those things, but my father knew.

So, I had a motorcycle that was really too big for me, but it wasn't so much that the motorcycle was too big for my body. It was that the motorcycle was too big for my maturity.

You see, many times, we'll have things that our flesh can handle, that our spirit cannot. You'll have things that's even our intellect can handle, but our maturity cannot. Some of us have man-sized income with boy-sized brains. And they said that the only difference between man and boy is the price of their toys. And a lot of times that's very accurate and that's very true. And on one particular summer's day, the gang got together and as usual, decided to go motorcycle ride. And you see at that time, Tyrone didn't have a motorcycle. But my motorcycle was so big that I could carry an extra person on my motorcycle because I have more horsepower than anybody else. And one day we were travelling, all of the gang, there was six or seven of us. and there's this long strip of highway. It's not a highway, it's actually just a residential street, but it's about two miles long of a straight way. Down and then up a hill, it's Bakers Ferry.

All of the gang was there. You know how young boys are. They always have to see who's the strongest, who's the fastest, who's the most skilled, who's the best in almost anything. And Tyrone and I along with the pack had gotten to Bakers Ferry or down this long two-miles straight way. And we had decided to see who had the fastest motorcycle. So, everybody there opened their motorcycles to full throttle. Now many of you don't know what full throttle is, is what they call putting the pedal to the mill. Putting your foot in the gas, stepping on it. I opened that 305 Honda Super Hawk all other way, and the motor roared and the wheel kicked.

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And I set off down that road at full swing with Tyrone on the back. Now, you see that's another principle. Be careful of who you get on something going for a ride with, because wherever they go, you go. Whatever happens to them, happens to you. If they mess up, you mess up. If they get hurt, you get hurt. And often times, if they get killed, you get killed and if you are doing the same thing they are doing, going in the same place they are going, riding on the same carriage that they're on, if they go to hell, you are going to hell. Be careful of who you hitch a ride with, because you are going in that same direction.

See, a lot of times, people have had -- they've had a really good heart, they just got hooked up with the wrong boat. They got on the back seat at a wrong motor cycle. They had real good spirits. They often times had real good home. They had real good intentions, they just hook themselves up with the wrong people, and whenever you get on a car going with somebody else is going, nowhere but down, you don't have a choice but to go in that same direction, because they are driving. So, Tyrone and I, went down Bakers Ferry Road with a throttle wide open. And that 305 SuperHawk head, two big cylinders and both of them were just pumping, and I was looking at the speedometer in the rear-view mirror. And as I was looking, it was how fast I was going and the fact that I was in front of everybody else. You see, I had my eye on my stuff and I had my eye on another folk.

And whenever you put your eye on just your stuff and another folk, you always heading for a fall. Whenever all you focus on is just your stuff, just where you're going, not concerned about anything and often you concern about are Jones (ph), whenever you spoken to just your stuff and to other folks, you're always heading for a fall. So, all I was looking at was the speedometer to see how fast I was going and to make sure that I was in front of everybody else. And I looked at that speedometer as we were going down that long straight way and it was at 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, I see some of the fellows, they just had a little bitty Benelli mini bikes and 51 was their top speed. When it hit 50, and some of the fellows had -- you don't know anything about this but an engine has what's called an internal flyball governor. I learned a whole lot about my engineering. They have an internal flyball governor, we call it the butterfly.

And when you really wanted to go fast, you got a piece of wire and you tie the butterfly down. You eliminate it and they had an internal flyball governor to keep the engine from revving too high, because if the engine revs too high, it can destroy the motor. So, you got your piece of wire and you tie down the butterfly to eliminate all controls on your motor. See, whenever you're heading for a fall, one of the first thing you do is you tie down God's control. You say, "No, I know God told me not to do this. I know God told me not to go there. I know God told me to stay, but I'm all tied down and let go." I'm going to tie it up. I'm going to rev it up. I'm going to get it where it is null and void, where it has no limitation on my life. And there we were rolling,

so the people that had the mini bikes that were at top speed of 50, as I hit 55, they started dropping back.

And then I was the mother of medium-sized motor cycles. They had some Honda 175. And as I hit 55, 60, and 65, I saw the 175 started buttering(ph) and I saw them starting dropping back in the dust because they couldn't keep up. I was riding high and riding fast, and riding powerful, and I was starting to leave everybody back in the dust. And sometimes in our lives, that's the way we get, and we will start to feel invincible just to call our careers starting to leave everybody else is back in the dust. I felt it's starting to leave everybody else back in the dust. Our grace(ph) are starting to leave everybody else in the dust. Our fancy stuff is starting to leave everybody else in the dust and we get content and we get complaisant, and we keep stepping on the gas looking at the speedometer and the rear-view mirror.

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And by the time I hit 75, all of the whole pack had dropped behind me, and I kept looking at that speedometer because I didn't just want to win the race by just a little bit. I didn't want to win the race by just 5 feet. I wanted to win the race where I can look back at the fellows and say, "Man, I blew you all away." It's like when you are playing basketball. You don't want to win the game by one point. It's like a boxing, he doesn't want to win the fight by going 15 rounds and having a split decision. You want to win by long margin. You want to win where there is no question about who was the best driver and who has the biggest and the fastest motor cycle.

So, even though I was ahead, even though I had left everybody in the pack, I kept the throttle wide open. And the motor cycle hit 80, and then it hit 85, and then even the 305 SuperHawk starter sputtering, and even it had raised the limit of how fast it should go.

And the only reason I did not go any faster was because I couldn't go any faster. And I looked at that speedometer and that speedometer was pegged at 87 miles an hour, and I was going 87 miles an hour and Tyrone Smith was going 87 miles an hour. You see, I could do 87 and him do 35, so he was on the same vehicle(ph). I couldn't do 80 and he do 60 because he was on the back and as fast as I was going with the same identical

speed he was going. And as I looked at that speedometer, and I looked in my rear-view mirror, there was nobody else even close, and I kept the throttle wide open. But you see, Bakers Ferry, even though it's a long straight of way, it's got a curve in it. Life is at wake. Even through your life may go absolutely smooth for a long, long time.

Even though you are on the fast track and even though you have left everybody else in the dust, even though you have left everybody behind, even though you have outdone everybody, life always has a curve in it. It's got a twist and a turn that sooner or later you're going to get to. And I don't care how long you go down or straight away with no problems, where nothing in your path with everything going your way, sooner or later you will get to the curve of life. And as I got to that curve and I looked at my speedometer, and I looked up of the curve and I looked down on my speedometer, and my speedometer was still pegged at 87 miles an hour, and that curve was coming up on me at 87 miles an hour. There was something that was an instantaneous knowledge that it was in my spirit and I knew I'm not going to make that curve. Because the curve was a fairly sharp curve and I was a good motor cycle rider, but I wasn't a great motor cycle rider.

And you know now with my current skill level, I may commit that curve, but at that time, I knew I couldn't. If you ever watch motor cycle racing on television, one thing you notice about all professional racers is that they have to lean the bike at a real steep angle in the curve. You have to make a curve on a motor cycle very fast. You have to lean that motor cycle all the way your knee goes down and your knee almost scrapes the ground. I was scared to lean a bike that close. I didn't have the experience to do that kind of leaning.

You see, in life, when you go around a curve, you have to be able to bend and many times we want to stay straight up. We don't want our neck to bend, we don't want to, even take a little dip in our pride and that's why so many people get in trouble when they go around a curve. A lot of times people will go on a curve of life, they get on a jam and they will lean the lean.

They won't even bend their neck (00:19:01). They'll be in all kind of deep trouble and they don't want the world to even know that they're running in any kind of difficulty. Often times,

people will try to maintain lifestyles way beyond what they can afford, when they should have given up the stuff long time ago, it would have put them in a good position. But because they didn't want to leave, they wouldn't let any of their stuff go, as a result, when they hit the curve, they can't make it. And as I got to that curve and started going in that curve, the first thing that happened is I started drifting out of my lane.

You see, when you hit a curve at a very high rate of speed and you are not leaning and you are trying to stay straight up, you automatically will drift to the other lane. You drift out of the straight and narrow. And as I got in to that curve and I started to drift, and I knew I wasn't going to make it, I saw the other curve coming up on me at 87 miles an hour. And a thought ran to my mind that I always had known that if this motor cycle ever fell on me, that it would kill me, and here I am thinking, "Lord have mercy."

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Here I am going at this speed and I don't know what was going through Tyrone's mind, but I know what was going through mine. I was not inside of his head, but I was inside of my head. I knew and you see, that's the way things get into when an emergency or crisis happens, your life will flash before your eyes. And I know the time when I realized that I was in trouble, between the time I hit the pavement, it was probably less than a second, two seconds at the most. And yet in that two-second timeframe, all kinds of thought ran through my head as I felt myself drifting over and getting into trouble. And I said, "Lord, this is it. I'm not going to make it out of this one. I am dead."

And as I hit that pavement, I remember scanning (ph) or looked like an owl(ph). And finally came to a rest and as I opened my eyes, I said, "Well, I'm still here." But then I didn't know if I was torn off or torn to pieces of, broken in zillion places. And as I got up and started to move, nothing was broken.

Now, I was in some heavy pain because it has scraped off a lot of skin and it had torn my clothes to complete (00:21:19). And my mother said that if she had seen my clothes before she saw me, she would have instantly known I was dead because my clothes were totally shredded, and yet I was able to stand. And not only

stand, I was able to get back home and never had to go into a hospital.

But even to this day, I have on my elbow, I have little spot right here in my back. I have right here on my knee, scars. And my title that I am speaking to you from today is the Beauty of a Scar. The Beauty of a Scar.

Now, many of you will say, "Well, a beauty of a scar? Scar is not beautiful." Well, it is to me. It is to me because see, that was one of the things and God said in this verse, He said, "I wound and I heal." A scar represents God's healing. And anytime you have a scar anywhere, it means that whatever was wounded was healed. A scar represents healing and a scar is beautiful whether you realize it or not.

And from that scar, from that experience, it changed my whole view point of life. You see, because number one, I have three other friends that had motorcycle accidents after I had mine. Some years later, I had my college roommate who was riding on a motorcycle half the size of mine--he was just learning how to ride, going around the block and running, going about 25 or 30 miles an hour. And he fell off of the motorcycle, broke his leg in four places. Broke his arm in two places; had to spend a month in a hospital and still now walks with a limp from that. And I don't have anything but a lot of scars. And yet, when I hit the pavement, the impact was so hard that it cracked my helmet.

You see, God protected me and he protected Tyrone. That's why I wanted Tyrone up here. He protected me and Tyrone even though both of us were acting the fool. You see, Tyrone should have tapped me on the shoulder and said, "Slow down man." He should have shouted and holler and say, "Let me off of this thing! Stop right now and let me off!"

See, many of you, sometimes, you may be in this situation. You may have gotten with the wrong crowd. You may be in the wrong vehicle, travelling in the wrong direction. It's your responsibility to say, "Wait a minute. Hold up. Slow down, pull over and let me out." If you do that now, if you get out of a game that's your in is carrying you to the wrong direction, if you tell them to "let me out now", come out from among them, then you will get out before the whole thing crashes.

And that was the reason why God had Tyrone walk in here today. He never does anything. By accident or without pre-planning, and he knew he was going to be here and he knew right now there are some folks traveling in some vehicles they need to get off of. That you're heading for some curve that you will not make and he's trying to tell you, "Get out from among them." He's telling to slow down and let you out before you end up crashing and killing yourself.

And I had two other friends, also drove motorcycles and had raced, going far slower than I was, ended up with all kinds of major injuries. And yet, the injuries that I had, they were(ph) pleasant.

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My mother can tell you that for the longest, I had a difficulty even putting on clothes. Thank goodness, I couldn't go to work for two weeks because it has scraped all of my skin off. And I was just raw from sliding on a pavement and though nothing was broken, you know, when you get a large patch of skin that's scraped out, you know it starts burning after a while. When the nerves come back alive and it start to itch and it burns and it's painful, but God taught me a lesson. See, He says He wounds but He also heals. Some people, they have the natural maturity never to do things that are foolish, to never speed down the highway of life past the speed limit.

Some people will never get involved with drugs because they have a natural wisdom that tells them that this is destructive. That this will destroy my flesh and will destroy my spirit. Some people have a natural wisdom that will never let them get involved with all kinds of wild and promiscuous sex that exposes their body and the heart to all kinds of things. Some people have a natural wisdom that will never allow them to even know those things.

And then there's the other group. They're the other group that God has to sometimes scrape us up, wound us and heal us so that we all have some sense. And from that experience, that's why you don't see me going anywhere on a car right now without seatbelt because I learned. And I learned from that experience not to do anything foolish like that again.

You know, they say that experience is the best teacher and yet, often times, what you will find is people don't pay attention in class when experience is teaching and they have to repeat the same experience over and over again and they will not learn. God has to sometimes scrape us. Sometimes, break us to the point of where we will sit up and take notice, slow down and get in the right lane. And the scars that we have are just representations of His healing. And if you have scars, you need to give thanks to God. Because it means the healing--and did you know there are several physical characteristics about scars?

Number one, before a scar will even form, you get scab. And I don't care how black your skin is, or how white your skin is, a scab will always be darker than you. I don't care what color you are. I don't care how dark you are, our scab will always be darker than you. And the scab is the first phase of the external science of God's healing. He puts a protective coat around it because sometimes, God even has to put us in some dark situations to get us healed. He has to move us to a land that's kind of barren to where we can't even enjoy the same old things that we used to enjoy. He has to knock us in a position to where He can even begin to heal our wounds.

And the other thing about a scar is that a scar is always tougher than the original skin. Do you know it's called scientific(ph) or in dermatological terms of keloid piece of skin? It's a keloid. But whenever you have a scar that's on your skin, the scar is always raised up and the scar is always tougher. When God heals you of something, it makes you tougher against the same thing all over again. If you have a scar on your hand and somebody is trying to cut your hand, the last place that will be cut will be the scar because it's tougher than all the rest. And God has healed many of us in this room. Not just of external things because the biggest wounds don't occur on the outside, they occur on the inside.

Most of you or many of you have had your hearts broken. Some of you still have your hearts broken. You still have opened bleeding wounds that has not healed yet. And some, God has healed the wound. And though He had healed the wound, we would look back and we have a lot of hate, a lot of animosity, a lot of ill feelings over something that happened way back then that has long been healed. And God is simply trying to tell you to recognize the beauty of a scar. That if there is a scar, it

means there has been healing, and to recognize the beauty of a scar.

And so, many of us--we don't allow our wounds to heal because we simply would not allow God to come in and do the healing. And as our hearts--they're hurting and they're bleeding. And often times you cry for God, "Lord, take this burden off of me." "Lord, heal my heart. I'm in pain and it's hurting." And God is just trying to tell us that often times, He will have to put a scab over it. And He will have to make things darker before He can even heal.

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Do you know if you're in a relationship that is going bad, in a relationship that you need to be out of? Do you know before you can heal from that relationship you have to pull away from it and to pull away from it is often times more painful than being in it? Because the minute you pull away from something tears and rips in your heart and looked like if you have been away for a couple days, your heart is going to ache and (00:30:27) in all kind of longing and you missing the person, it gets darker before it even gets healed. Because the scab is darker than what it was before and often times to bring restoration, to bring healing, to close up the wound, do you know even when you put medicine on a wound it burns, and there's hardly medicine that's any good that does burn.

If you cut yourself and you have a wound and you have to put something on it to heal the wound and to help it heal faster, and to keep from becoming infected, it always burns. You know, your mama used to have a grandma, used to having a medicine cabinet, everything they had in there for wounds, always burn. Whether it was vaccine, you spray some vaccine on it, it burns. You put some alcohol on it, it burns. And Lord have mercy, you put some (00:31:18) on it, it shall not burn, but you have to go through the darkness of the scab before God could bring the light of the scar. The beauty of the scar. And every time I will look at my arm and I'll see that little patch, every time I look at my knee and I see that cut, every time that I'll feel on my back and I'll see where that has healed, I have to say, "Thank God for my healing."

And you see, there are always two ways of looking at any situation. Many of you have been healed of things and you can take the same situation and say, "Lord, You let me fall off that motorcycle, You could have kept me up, You could have sent angels down to hold me up as I went in that curve, You could have send a whole legion down. That would have protected me. That would have kept me from falling and I wouldn't have had any of these scars. Why, Lord, didn't you help me with that?"

Because if God has not allowed me to fall in that spot, I would have fallen in another because I had to learn the hard way and some us, we like that. That's why the guard has to send the children (00:32:28) because they didn't learn jus by what he told them. He had to send them to through some fire. He had to wound then or either allow them to get wounded then he had to pour them a (00:32:40) on it to let it burn and bring the scab and told them to always be mindful of the scar. And that's why many of the even the celebration of Jews who are celebrating reality, they are celebrating the scars. They are celebrating things of where God delivered them out of the wounded situation. The beauty of a scar. God wants his people healed. And whenever there is healing, it means that there is a wound and whenever there is a wound, it means somewhere there has to be a sign of that healing, there has to be a scar. And that's why even concerning Jesus is with His stripes(ph).

Do you know what stripes are? Stripes are scars. With His stripes, not smooth skin. With His stripes we are healed. The beauty of a scar. God has delivered miraculously so (00:33:36). When by all the laws of nature we should have been dead. You see, I know what the speed that I was traveling and the impact of which I hit that pavement, with size of that motorcycle. I know that all of the laws of physics I should have been dead. And each day I see how the blessing there was a man who came to interview me, from Charisma Magazine and they ran a story on the Bronner family, and he came and we drove off.

He got out of a van, and he got out of a van in a wheelchair, he was paralyzed from the waist down. As he interviewed and as we left and I helped him out to his van, I asked him. I said. "I'm just curious." I said, "What happened that you are now paralyzed in this wheelchair?" He told me, he said, "When I was young." He said, "I had a motorcycle accident." And you know, sometimes we don't appreciate our blessings until you see

somebody else. And I don't even have to ask him how fast he was going because I know he was not going as fast I was, and yet I'm standing up here walking and many of you right now, you're in position of health. Some of you all got in situations where if wasn't for the grace of God, you'd be down (00:34:52) right now. Some of you had been in situations where if wasn't for the grace of God, bought by the grace of God.

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There go out the beauty of a scar. Many times, we look at our little bitty scars and look at our heal situation and complain about the stuff that we have. And other people have gone -- they believe even at straighter path than we have and has looked like going through most stuff, and we do more complaining. God just wanted to let you know this morning the beauty of a scar. When He has healed something, in your life, don't you dare curse that healing. Don't you dare talk negative talk about that scar, because the scar is not negative, it's simply a sign of God. And the scar represents something that only God can do, all of medical science. Do you know, as brilliant as man is, with all of his science and his genetic engineering, do you know man can't make a scab? Do you realize that? It's made out of fibrinogen.

But do you know, man, with all of his technology, all of his machine, all of his computers, all of his microscope, all of his chemicals, do you know man cannot make a scab? And a scab will form on its own, and a scab will block out all the of the germs and all of the stuff that will come in to infect the wound while it heals. And when a scab has done its job, it falls off by itself. God intelligence. See, everything that God designed has its own intelligence built into it. Man stuff, you got to go back to have the stitches removed. Man stuff, you got to cut your adhesive bandages on when God heals. When the healing is done, it falls off all by itself.

And what's left underneath is often times a scar, but the scar is simply saying it is finished, it is done, it's healed. And every time I will feel that little thing on my back, that's all I see, it's finished, it is done. It has healed and not only it has healed, it is stronger than it was before. The beauty of a scar. God wants to bring healing in many of the lives that are present today within this sanctuary. He wants to pour, first of all, a healing oil and a healing balm on some open wounds. Understand, it may sting,

understand it may burn, understand that as God moves you from a germy situation to an antiseptic situation, it's painful sometimes.

Sometimes, it's painful to give up those friends, it's painful to run with a new crowd, but it's necessary to bring about the healing. You got to first get on a clean environment. God wants to bring a healing and to pour an anointing on some open wounds and to from a scab as it heals, and when it falls off, there will be a scar but there will be healing.

Bow your heads. Dear Father, we come to You today in obedience that this message was ordained by You and that though You wound or allowed to be wounded, You also heal for You have the power of both within Your hands. And when You heal, dear Father, no force of the devil can make it sick again. When You bring a restoration, dear Father, it shall stand and the scar is simply your sign and the scar shall be raised up over all the rest and it shall rise high to simply say that this area has risen and has overcome by the power of God. That man cannot duplicate. And that only God can heal. Only God can restore. Only God can make hope.

And you sent Your Son, that through Him all would be made whole. All would receive salvation. All would receive comfort. All would receive joy. But dear Father, we can only receive those things if we're in the same vehicle with Him, if we're on the back of His motorcycle, if we're in His car, if we're in His chariots. And dear Father, we just make a vow today, to walk with You and Your Son to follow where He goes and where You have told us to go. For as we follow You, our wounds shall be made whole and all shall be healed. In thy Son, Jesus' name, Amen.

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I just want to ask today, normally this is the time that we open the doors of the church, simply for those who do want salvation. For those who want make an open vow unto God and before men, that the past that you shall follow from this day forward shall be with God. It does not matter about what the past has been. It does not matter what's in your rear-view mirror. Get your sight out of your rear-view mirror and put them ahead and above. Look forward and above, not what is behind you. And

today I just want those that needs simply a special touch. For the healing of wounds to just come forward.

For the healing of wounds. I don't know what they are and its not by business what they are. That's between you and God. God will send anointing down for the healing of wound. We trust so much in doctors, but doctors do not have the power to heal, they never have had the power to heal. The only thing doctors can do is put a little breath(ph) in order to wait on God. That's all doctors have ever been able to do. It is only through the power of God, that we are able to heal anything. And God simply says today, for those that need a special touch of healing, a special touch. For the wounds in our live and in our hearts and in our situations. Now is the time and it(ph) is the place. When Jesus came often times in a place sometimes, he didn't come back to that place again. Sometimes the time is now and you miss your opportunity. Its gone. So, God is simply calling you now. That those that need a special touch. Those that need to simply see the beauty of a scar. The beauty of a scar. The beauty of a scar.

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