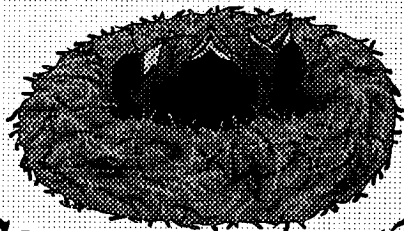


*"They shall  
mount up...*

# ON EAGLES' WINGS

*... with wings  
as eagles."*

*Isaiah 40:31*



## AERY NUGGETS

The great Physician now is near,  
The sympathizing Jesus;  
He speaks the drooping heart to cheer,  
Oh! Hear the voice of Jesus.

### Refrain

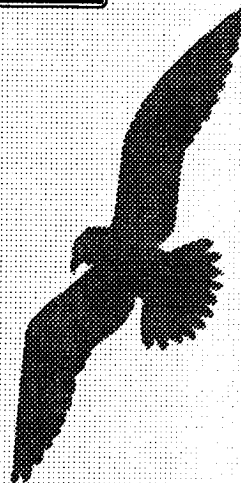
Sweetest note in seraph song,  
Sweetest name on mortal tongue;  
Sweetest carol ever sung,  
Jesus, blessed Jesus.

Your many sins are all forgiven,  
Oh! Hear the voice of Jesus;  
Go on your way in peace to heaven,  
And wear a crown with Jesus.

All glory to the dying Lamb!  
I now believe in Jesus;  
I love the blessed Savior's name,  
I love the name of Jesus.

His name dispels my guilt and fear,  
No other name but Jesus;  
Oh! how my soul delights to hear  
The charming name of Jesus.

—Author Unknown

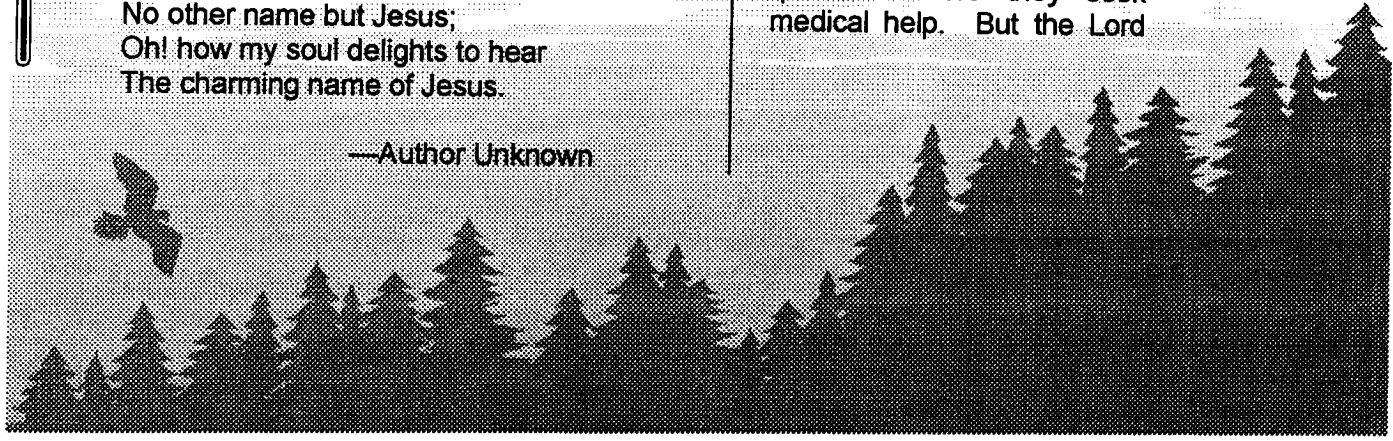


Dear Patients,

In this age there is a growing concern over the various kinds of pollution's, stresses, activities and life styles which are contributing to a growing number of sicknesses and diseases. Some of which are annoying, and others which can become terminal. Thus an increasing need for physicians with varying fields of expertise.

A few days ago I visited for the last time a physician who had treated me for the past 28 years, but because of the high cost of malpractice insurance in our area, and advancing years, was taking his shingle down. This prompts me to write a little about physicians as brought before us in the Bible.

Jesus said, "They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick" (Luke 5:31), and while some people, who are hypochondriatic may imagine a variety of illnesses, the average person needs to feel quite ill before they seek medical help. But the Lord



wanted to emphasize an illness that was not physical—sin sickness—and added, “I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance” (Luke 5:32).

Very few people like to acknowledge their condition as sinners and so they neglect to seek a remedy, such as we have set before us in Jeremiah 8:22. “Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?” On the other hand, applying the wrong medicine can be useless too. “In vain shalt thou use many medicines; for thou shalt not be cured” (Jer. 46:11). We can liken these many medicines to the many forms of good deeds that some do to seek, as they think, to erase their past sins. But Isaiah 64:6 tells us that, “all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags.” Nothing that we can do will ever atone for one of our many sins.

To be effective our treating physician must not only be able to diagnose our malady, but also recommend the proper treatment for it. In connection with spiritual matters, the same is true. Job of old was going through some deep trials and some friends came to encourage him and advise him with their diagnosis of his problems. Seeing their conclusions to be erroneous, his reply to them was, “Ye are all physicians of no value” (Job 13:4).

Some physicians will do their very best to alleviate our physical distresses, but will acknowledge that the final results are up to a Higher Power than theirs. Two instances of this fact come to mind. We read that a king of Judah, “Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians” (2 Chron. 16:12), yet in two years he died. On the other hand when Hezekiah was sick unto death, he wept and prayed unto the Lord, and the Lord God responded, “I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the Lord” (2 Kings 20:5). Besides the promise of God, a lump of figs laid on the boil brought about his recovery.

To pursue the thought of seeking the Lord's help along with a physician's, you perhaps noticed that our poem pictures Jesus as the great Physician. And what a Physician He was! Without office or shingle for advertisement He was thronged with patients.

After witnessing a first hand display of the Lord's dealing with a great variety of pressing needs, the messengers from imprisoned John the Baptist were sent to him with this message, “Tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are

cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the Gospel is preached” (Luke 7:22).

Do you ask what is the Gospel and why it is preached? “It is the power of God unto salvation to every one that *believeth*” (Romans 1:16). John 3:16 clarifies the message even more, “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever *believeth in him* should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

The remedy, which this great Physician offers for your sin sickness, flowed from His pierced side. “The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin” (1 John 1:7).

“You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me”. “But you are not willing to *come to Me* that you may have life” (John 5:39,40 NKJV).

One of His healed patients,

*Leslie L. Winters*

“Our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.”—2Cor.5:17.

Though thy way be long and dreary,  
Eagle strength He'll still renew,  
Garments fresh and foot unwearied  
Tell how God hath brought thee through.

J.N.D.

It is blessed to be at the feet of Jesus in our sorrows, for there divine light shines upon them, and though we may suffer, we shall not, while there, doubt His love.

“JESUS WEPT.” These two words afford such an inlet into the recesses of the Lord's heart. They have been the comfort of mourners in all ages, and they will continue to minister consolation to His people until God Himself shall wipe away all tears from their faces.

“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” This invitation is not confined to those who are laden with sin. Jesus addresses any one who is bowed with any possible sorrow, any possible bereavement. *Whatever* the burden upon you, the Lord speaks to *you*.

“Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him.” What a blessing it is that you may and can rest, whatever your suffering, on the Lord's breast. It is indeed in immense thing to be in communion with His mind in His object in our sufferings.

When the Lord returns we shall lose all bodily weakness, and find ourselves at home in our new circumstances. How we shall rejoice when “In soul and body perfect.” The blessed hope of it cheers us in the midst of our pilgrimage. E.D.

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