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Beloved, you are God's mini-Tabernacle on this earth (Col.1:27; 2.Co.6:16). People see and feel God's glory in you. Remember, you are God's idea and His revelation. Your life work is to manifest Him to this world. The whole world is waiting for you to overflow with God's glory (Ro.8:19). Every day, His Spirit is working in your life with all His tools, shaping and molding you to be His perfect home. Cheer up!

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Pray for me and my wife, for our ageing parents, as well as for our leaders and staff. May the Lord Almighty help you possess whatever God has already established for you in the spiritual realm, and may He make you a blessing to the nations. Be the head and never again the tail. Lend to nations and never borrow again. Let the blessings run before you and overtake you, in Jesus Name!

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Look unto Jesus

Dr. Ezekiah Francis

The life of Jesus Christ is the perfect role model for us to follow. He left us His footsteps to walk in them. As a New Creation, you cannot make anyone your perfect, one and only role model except the Lord Jesus Christ. None of the Bible characters can be imitated totally, though they all can teach us some valuable lessons from their lives.

Your Lord Jesus Christ is like a multivitamin tablet with all the components you need for your growth, whereas every other Bible character is like one or two supplements. For example, Old Testament Joseph is a good role model for holiness. David is an example for a life of praise and worship. Samson challenges us to walk in and manifest God's power, and the list continues. Christ, however, is our role model for everything - for holiness, worship, power, prayer and all the other habits and virtues. It is time for the Church of God to look unto Jesus as never before. The more we gaze into His life, the more we grow into His life and likeness.

The greatest secret of the apostles was the life of Jesus Christ which they constantly watched and emulated. The life and the teachings of the Lord Jesus were the foundation for the apostolic revival. More than three years they were with Jesus - walking and talking with Him, eating and meeting with Him, and travelling and travelling with Him. In short, they lived out in their lives the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and made them our text books. If you long to see and experience the glory of the Early Church to be restored back, it is inevitable that you look and gaze into the life of your Savior in different

dimensions and from different angles. This will lay a strong foundation and preparation for our End Time Church to experience greater glory.

Can you ever attain to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ (Eph.4:13)? I emphatically say YES, it is possible. Satan will try his best to convince you of the contrary. He will say, "You can never be perfect like Christ. He is God and you are man". But the truth of God's Word stands tall and clear. The very purpose for which God predestined you is to conform you to the perfect image of His Son (Rom.8:29). We can walk as He walked. We can radiate His glory and become the express image of His person (Heb.1:3). We can be totally one with Him as members of His Body, flesh of His flesh, bone of His bone (Eph.5:30).

The more you meditate on the New Testament, the more you will believe that you can become a little Jesus on this earth. You become like what you behold and believe. "***Be it unto you according to your faith,***" is God's eternal law. When this faith grows in you, Christ Jesus grows in you. You are more and more submerged in the likeness of Christ.

God never commands anything we cannot do or attain. His commandments are not burdensome (1.Jn.5:3). The Bible repeatedly commands us to become like Jesus. Remember, His commandments are His enablements. Every time you read a Bible requirement, you should jump for joy for the One who requires it from you releases His power within you to perform it. "***It is God who works in you both to will and to do for***

His good pleasure” (Phil.2:13).

With this confidence let us now meditate on how to become like Jesus.

For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted (**Heb 2:18**).

Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus (**Heb 3:1**)

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are, yet* without sin (**Heb 4:15**).

He was like us

Our Lord was tempted like us in all points, yet he remained perfectly victorious. He was tempted exactly like us. That is why He can sympathize with our weaknesses and understand our struggles. It is very easy to see Him as the Son of God but it is very difficult to admire Him as the Son of man. He never conquered any sin as God or as God's Son. He faced the temptations as the Son of man and overcame everything we face in this human body. Truly, He was perfectly Man and perfectly God.

Imagine the baby Jesus growing up in Mary's bosom. He would have cried for hunger like any other child. His mother Mary would have fed Him and made Him to sleep with a lull song. Like any other baby, He would have played with other kids. He would have fallen many times when He took His first steps and learned how to walk. As a young man, He helped His father in his carpentry work. I can imagine blood oozing out of Him when a nail cut His finger. Such imaginations will comfort our hearts with the knowledge that our Savior became exactly like us to make us exactly like Him. It is imperative for us to see Him as a Man who conquered everything with the power of the Holy Spirit.

He had all the emotions and feelings exactly

like us. That is why the Bible says, “***He was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin***” (Heb.4:15). Think about His burning anger in the synagogue. Can you imagine, He Himself made a whip!!! He drove everybody all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables (Jn.2:15)! It looks as if He lost all His control.

No preacher would have ever used such harsh words and rebuked the religious folks like Him. Hypocrites, white-washed sepulcher, murderers, were some of His furious words (Mt.23:27). One time even He called king Herod a fox (Lk.13:32). Yet with all His holy anger He didn't sin and never gave place to the devil (Eph.4:29). Even in His anger He shut Himself against any interference of His flesh. All He exhibited is the pure and holy anger of God. He knew how not to mix it with human anger. He tasted the very emotion of anger just like us but He kept it pure. What a model!

The temptation of the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life was not foreign to our Mediator (1.Jn.2:16). In order to understand and sympathize with all our weaknesses and temptations, He tasted every bit of it. What a comfort for us to know, “My Savior can understand all my fleshly feelings and struggles. He has fellow feelings with me and sympathizes with me to help me”. Yes, dear friend, He was tempted like you in all the areas where you are tempted. Take heart! As you consist of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shares in the same (Heb.2:14). His flesh is no way different from your flesh.

One day, a young prostitute came and kissed the feet of Jesus, washing His feet with tears, wiping it with her long hair (Lk.7:38). Mary spent hours on end sitting at His feet, listening to His sweet and gracious words (Lk.10:39). In all this, Jesus was holy and pure. He was tempted in all these areas, but He triumphed without a scar.

Dear child of God, are you condemning yourself for the flesh that tried to dominate you? Remember, your Savior pities for you as a father

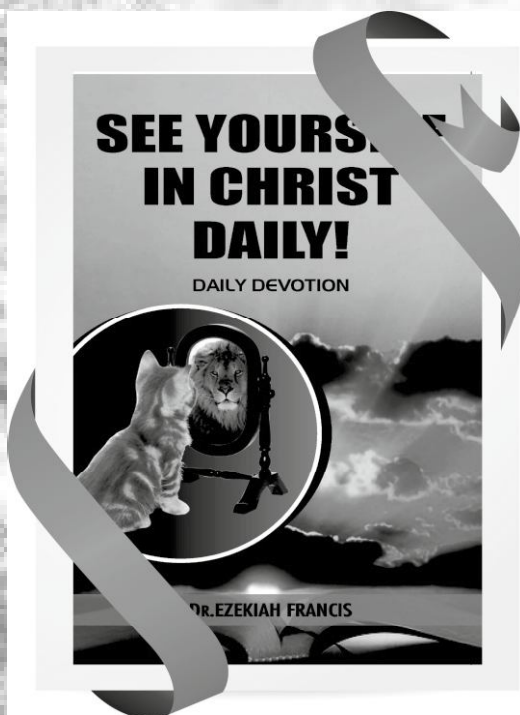
and comforts you as a mother in all your temptations (Ps.103:13; Isa.66:13). You can freely open your heart and share your struggles with Him. Know this: temptation is not sin. No saint is exempt from temptations. Even great men and women of God struggle at times with the ugly uprising of their fleshly lusts or temperaments. Age is no exception for temptations. Young and old alike are drawn by the opposite sex at times.

Feeling a temptation is entirely different from yielding to temptation. Jesus Himself was tempted but He victoriously overcame every trace of it. Billy Graham said, "The first look is not a sin, but the second look is". Someone said, "You cannot stop birds from flying over your head, but you can definitely stop them from building nests on your head". Feelings and sinful temptations will be there in the natural man till the end, but stopping them from settling in our lives is the key to victory. This is the example Christ showed us to follow.

How do you think Jesus overcame His flesh? How did He live a sinless, pure life? Is it because He was the Son of God? No way. The Bible clears all doubts concerning this, declaring, "*Who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men*" (Phil.2:6-7). Please ponder this deeply. He didn't overcome sin as God but by becoming like you and me. This single revelation is enough to stir up your spirit to become like Jesus.

Your Father God has given you the same ability He gave to His Son to live a pure life. Jesus totally overcame His flesh by the power of the Holy Ghost. The same Holy Ghost is remaining upon you with all His power to live His life through you (Ac.1:8). Jesus overcame all the fleshly emotions like anger and lust and even the very world by the power of the Holy Ghost. The

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“For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren” (Heb.2:11).

Your Lord Jesus Christ is your own blood brother. The same blood that runs in His Body is flowing in the veins of your body. The very Son of God calls you and me, “My brethren” (Heb.2:12). When He is not ashamed to call us His brethren, why should we? Right now, we can address Him boldly and confidently call Him ‘my Blood Brother’. Wow!

As Jesus was born of the Spirit and the Word, we too are born again by the Spirit and the Word.

“That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” (Jn.3:6). “Having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the Word of God which lives and abides forever” (1.Pe.1:23). Your natural man was born of the flesh and your spiritual man is born of the Spirit. Because you are born of the Spirit, you are a spirit being right now. What hinders you from becoming like Jesus in this world?

Jesus Christ Himself became our righteousness and sanctification (1.Cor.1:30). You are completely clothed with the very righteousness of Christ, not ninety nine percent but hundred percent. When you reach heaven, you are not going to increase your inherited righteousness even a bit. We are the righteousness of God both in heaven and on earth because we are in Christ (2.Cor.5:21). Since

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Christ became our sanctification, we became God's holy vessels to carry God's holy Presence.

As Jesus lived by every Word that proceeded from the mouth of God, you too can live every day of your life by the same Word (Mt.4:4). His Word is in your mouth and in your heart (Ro.10:8). With it, you can defeat every onslaught of the enemy. As Father God was with His Son, He too is with you all the days of your life (Heb.13:5). As the Father loved the Son, He loves you too with the same measure of love (Jn.15:9; 1.Jn.3:1).

Such a truth is too much for our mind to grasp. His love is truly beyond our comprehension and passes all our knowledge (Jn.8:29; 17:23; Eph.3:19). Sometimes I am even tempted to think that my Father God loves me more than He loved His Son Jesus! This could explain the truth, ***“He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?”*** (Rom.8:32).

To make us like Jesus is God's eternal plan and determination. ***“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren”*** (Rom.8:29). Everything God ever did was with the purpose to conform you into the image of His Son. He foreknew, predestined, called, justified and glorified you to make you like Jesus. What He begins, He completes. He is your Alpha and Omega. Without any doubt, you can become like Jesus. You can follow in His footsteps and walk as He walked right in this sinful world. No matter how pitiable you are today, you can rise up from the pit of hopelessness and be transformed into the very image of the Son of God. Allow this truth to sink deeply into your entire being. This will build your faith that overcomes the world (1.Jn.5:4-5).

Behold Him

The more we behold the beauty and the splendor of our Lord Jesus, the more we are transformed into His image. The Bible emphasizes, ***“Now the Lord is the Spirit; and***

where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord” (2.Cor.3:17-18). Everyone who longs to become like Jesus should meditate on these Scriptures constantly.

Do you know that every day of your life you are being transformed from glory to glory into the image of Christ? Growing from glory to glory is your birthright in Christ. The word “to transform” is “metaphor” in Greek. The Greek noun “metamorphosis” is used for the total transformation of a caterpillar into a butterfly which happens secretly in a cocoon. You don't need to beg and plead to become like Jesus. As you behold the glory of Jesus in the mirror of God's Word, you unconsciously go through the process of transformation. As the shining sun reflects on the water, Jesus begins to reflect in your life. This happens through constant meditation of God's Word.

He is our role model

“Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls” (Heb.12:1-3).

You have a race set before you which you are to run with all endurance. Jesus is the originator and perfecter of your faith race. God is calling you to look unto Jesus in your entire race, constantly considering Him. He saw the joy that was set before Him and ran His race, despising suffering, shame and all the hostility of sinners

(Heb.12:1-2). The more you look unto Him, the more you will run your race victoriously. Everything Jesus ever suffered for us is to set us an example. ***“Consider Him who endured such hostility... lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls”*** (Heb.12:3).

This explains the reason for all our weariness, depression and discouragements. The more we consider Jesus, the more we keep our souls from negative influences. Failure to consider and contemplate our Savior will lead us into leanness of our souls. Pondering the endurance of our Jesus greatly helps us to overcome all kinds of discouragements. The life of constant meditation upon Jesus Christ is the foundation of our Christ-like lifestyle.

Our High Priest Jesus could sympathize with all our weaknesses because He suffered them all. Jesus was comforted by His Father in all His tribulations. With that comfort He could comfort all those who are in any trouble (2.Cor.1:3-5). Every time you go through life struggles and cry to Him, He will nod His head with deep compassion and say, “I understand you”.

Beloved, what is your struggle today? Are you struggling with mounting temptations? Are

you struggling to overcome your flesh? Please understand that your High Priest understands your struggles. All He expects from you is that you see Him living right inside of you, longing to live out His life through you. He went through all the human sufferings just to leave us an example to follow in His victory steps. ***“For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps, who committed no sin nor was deceit found in His mouth. When he was reviled, He did not revile in return”*** (1.Pe.2:21-23). How could He do it? It was only by His total dependence on God and His power. As we have seen earlier, He completely stripped Himself of His dignity and took on the form of humanity (Phil.2:5-8). As a Man, He suffered and was tempted to encourage you to emulate Him.

Depend on Christ who lives in you. Constantly see the overshadowing Presence of the Holy Spirit around you. May the Holy Spirit enlighten your inner eyes to see from the life of Christ the hope of your calling and the possibility of living like Jesus.

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❖ There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: “I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is, it’s still out there in your pockets.” 😊

❖ A Sunday school teacher began her lesson with a question,
“Boys and girls, what do we know about God?”

A hand shot up in the air,

“He is an artist!” said the kindergarten boy.

“Really? How do you know?” the teacher asked.

“You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven...” 😊

MEDICATIONS

Rev. Benita Francis

Dear family of God,

Since many recent studies from the USA show again and again shocking facts about doctors and medicines, I am burdened to warn you once more about the dangers of medications, especially the “over-the-counter” drugs which are so easily available in India.

Did you know that simple anti-inflammatory pain killers like naproxen (e.g., Aleve), ibuprofen (e.g., Motrin, Advil), and aspirin are responsible for a reported 16,000 deaths annually and 100,000 hospitalizations for kidney failure, heart attack, stroke and ulcers in the USA? They are called NSAIDs, which means non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, and are easily available anytime without any prescription. What a danger!

Another study found that 52% of doctors in the USA are using prescription or even street drugs DURING working hours! Not in India? Well... just this year, a drunk orthopedic surgeon with his nice Mercedes killed a man on a scooter and injured 4 more - it was big headlines in India Today (<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/bengaluru-drunk-doctor-in-overspeeding-mercedes-kills-1-injures-4/1/628567.html>)

No wonder statistics show that each year in the USA, medical errors are the third leading cause of death, right after heart disease and cancer. At least 251,454 people died of PROVEN medical errors, according to a study from May, 2016 (<http://www.thefiscaltimes.com/2016/05/04/Death-Doctor-Medical-Error-Killing-Hundreds-Thousands-Each-Year>). The

numbers of people killed, injured or infected by doctors or hospitals range from 1,500,000 (<http://www.thefiscaltimes.com/2016/05/04/Death-Doctor-Medical-Error-Killing-Hundreds-Thousands-Each-Year>) up to 15,000,000 per year (<https://www.facebook.com/DrJoelWallachNotDrOz/posts/394238707301481>). According to the journal of American Medical Association, the Center of Disease Control and the USA Today in February 2007, each year in America doctors **kill, injure and infect** 15,000,000 of their patients. 5.8 million in hospitals 9.2 million in private offices and clinics. Even the careless, proverbial doctor's scribbling i.e. handwriting on prescriptions kill around 7000 people per year in USA alone!

With this background in mind, please study this article again and pass the information to as many people as you can!

And most importantly, GO DO what JESUS commanded us to do: “...*Go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give!*” (Mt.10:8)

MEDICATIONS

Dear family of God! Let me again pour out my heart burden and concern to you - this time about medications. Definitely, the advance of science is mind-boggling. Diseases like the Black Death that used to kill millions in epidemics just a

few years ago are now not even a consideration.

Your doctor can prescribe you just a few pills that very effectively kill bacteria, viruses, fungus and other threats to your health. Many diseases like tuberculosis or polio don't even break out anymore thanks to childhood vaccinations that create year-long or even life-long immunity.

I praise God for all the wonderful advances of science and medicine! I am very grateful for doctors and nurses! Many of them really give their whole life to help people! There are definitely times where medications are a great help and blessing and even life-savers.

And yet - there is also a danger side to all these blessings. Let me tell you a recent experience. My ear conducts are very narrow, so Indian dust and humidity form a wonderful growing ground for a “nice” fungus infection in my ear. Very lovingly, somebody bought ear drops for me - but as soon as I saw them, my wonderful, beloved Holy Spirit inside of me said, “No!”

Surprised, I looked up the ingredients in the internet - and started to jump and worship! Can you imagine that one of the four ingredients (an unnecessary pain killer) in EAR DROPS can provoke a fatal blood condition for which there is no cure?! Even if used in very small quantities, it can dissolve the blood as long as NINE MONTHS after discontinuing the medication!!! WOW!!!

So I just went on asking the Lord for the right treatment and finally found a doctor who did what I really needed: suck out the pus and infection! Wonderful! Just like in spiritual life, getting the pus out is the first and most important step to any healing or deliverance!

And yet, after that, he prescribed other ear drops for 2 weeks... and again, I had that danger sign in my spirit. When I looked in the internet, I found out that here again, the anesthetic ingredient (the pain killer) was dangerous! It attacks the hearing nerve, and CAUSES DEAFNESS even MONTHS after discontinuing the medication! WOW! Ear drops causing

deafness or even death... we really need the Holy Spirit to discern which medication to take and which one not even to touch!!!

Have you ever considered that the Holy Spirit was given to guide you into ALL TRUTH - even the truth about your real state of health, medications and their disadvantages (Jn.16:13)? He really wants to be LORD of your life, and that applies to each and every area and to all of your affairs. If you diligently heed His Voice, you will be extremely blessed and put high above anything and anybody else (Dt.28:1-14)!

If you do not obey His Voice, however, you are in danger of experiencing all the curses, sicknesses and diseases described so painstakingly in Dt.28:15-68, plus “also every sickness and every plague, which is not written in this Book of the Law” (Dt.28:61)!

Really, your God has set before you life and death, blessing and cursing, and He has commanded you to choose life for you and your descendants, simply by obeying His wise instructions (Dt.30:19)!

What is your God's opinion about doctors and medications? The great apostle Paul was travelling with his personal doctor! Did you know that? Doctor Luke who wrote the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles was Paul's travelling companion! What a wonderful thing! The miracle-man Paul and the medical man Luke formed a beautiful ministry team. Miracles and medicine are not a contradiction, so don't break your head any longer...

The prophet Isaiah prescribed a lump of figs for King Hezekiah's sickness, and his life was extended by fifteen years (2.Ki.20:7). Notice here: it was a prophet who heard God and prescribed the medicine that saved the king's life - a purely herbal, God-created treatment!

The great apostle Paul prescribed “a little wine for your stomach's sake and your frequent infirmities” to his disciple Timothy (1.Ti.5:23). Your God is definitely NOT against doctors and

medicines!

But there IS something He is very much against: He is against an attitude like King Asa's who even in his severe sickness didn't seek the Lord, but the physicians. As a result of his evil heart of unbelief in turning away from the living God and trusting in the arm of flesh, he died in terrible agony (Heb.3:12; Jer.16:14; 17:5; 2.Chr.16:12). In the case of medications the same principle applies as anywhere else in your spiritual life: "Seek FIRST the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you" (Mt.6:33). "All these things" not only include dress, food and drink but also God's provision for your health and healing.

In my life I had many such experiences as my wonderful loving Savior was teaching and training me in His personal Holy Spirit school. I remember one time I suddenly developed a very painful swelling in both knees. I couldn't kneel and even had difficulties in walking. For about two weeks the Holy Spirit did not allow me to see a doctor - a thing that made my parents very upset with me because they couldn't understand the faith life at that time.

I was instructed by the Lord to fight the good fight of faith with the Word of God and the Word alone. He sent His Word, and it healed our diseases (Ps.107:20)! His Words are Spirit, and they are life (Jn.6:63). So for two weeks the only medicine I was allowed by heaven to take was God's powerful, life-giving Word! And praise the Lord, the problem completely subsided and never came back! When I had won this Word victory, I could see Jesus smiling at me and explaining me: "If you always need a doctor close by, I can never send you into a jungle or any far-away place for My Kingdom's sake". Logical, isn't it? I had to learn to trust only in Him and His miracle power.

The very next week, however, I got just a simple sore throat. To my greatest surprise, Jesus instructed me to visit a doctor! When I asked Him why He would send me to a doctor for such a minor thing, He answered: "You have really

exercised your faith and have overcome. This time just take some throat moisturizers for a quick relief. No need to use your spiritual energy and prayer time for this little issue."

Your God is a very personal God and interested in each and every detail of your daily life. You can live with Him in such a close fellowship and allow Him to direct all your affairs. I guarantee you, you will be blessed in each and every area of your life, and you will make Him SO happy by your childlike trust in His love!

Now let me ask you: Have you relied all your life on doctors and medicines? Then you might now be worse off physically and financially than you were at the beginning, just like it happened to the woman with twelve years of issue of blood, who "had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse" (Mark 5:26)!

In Germany, about 85-90% of the people that need hospitalization came into this predicament because of medication poisoning! Just imagine!

Even pain killers and sleeping tablets do great damage to your stomach, kidneys and liver as well as to many other organs! I thank God for well-intentioned doctors and medicine, but whenever possible, I prefer to receive and to minister healing by God's Word (Isa.53:4-5; 1.Pe.2:24! Mt.8:17)!!!

Misuse and overuse of medications have brought many unnecessary sufferings and new diseases because of cross-reactions of different medications. Even if one medication seems to have no side-effects, it can cause great damage if it is taken together with another medication. The reason is that both make changes in the delicate equilibrium your God created for your body to function perfectly.

Our problem is that today we can go to so many specialists for all kinds of conditions. We no longer have one family doctor who knows us

and our living conditions, family background and family history. Our medications are no longer prescribed by only one doctor who can keep an eye on possible chemical incompatibilities. Our dermatologist might prescribe us a cream against skin rash while our ENT prescribes us ear drops for an ear condition. Both together can create great havoc in your body.

If you need to take any medication, always check if it has any cross-reactions with other medicines you are taking. Inform your doctor even about any cream, ointment or supplement you are using to avoid incompatibility problems.

A big concern for me is that in India, medications that should be given only at a doctor's advice can be bought without any prescription just at the pharmacy shop around the corner! Did you know that selling medicine is one of the most profitable businesses on this planet? In the USA only, the pharmaceutical industry has a yearly turnover of many millions of dollars!

In India, doctors are tempted by the pharmaceutical industry in a special way. They are offered train and flight tickets, laptops and even cars if they agree to prescribe only the products of a certain company over the next two

years! Think about it!!! It must be a good business, no?! In contrast, Jesus said, "Freely you have received, freely give!" (Mt.10:8). That includes divine health and healing!!!

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- ❖ Election Commission officials seize Rs 570 crore from 3 containers in Tamil Nadu
- ❖ The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) issued a notification banning all satellite TV channels and FM radio from coverage of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), Jamaat-ud-Dawa (JuD) and Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) under UN restriction.
- ❖ At least three persons, including a priest, have been injured in a "violent" explosion at a gurudwara in Germany's western city of Essen.

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