

REVIVAL OF TRUTH MINISTRIES

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We pray that this newsletter finds you prosperous and well. We are doing great in Him. Thank you for your response to our last newsletter. You encouraged us with your kind words and promise of partnering with us. Although many have responded with a strong interest as an intercessor, we do not know yet if we have thirty committed intercessors. We would ask you again to prayerfully seek the Lord as to how and if you are able to partner with us.

Our vision is to see the body of Christ stand up and take their position. As part of the family of God we have so much authority but many don't realize this and so we want to help them be aware. *Eph. 2:6 "and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus."* Our desire is to bring as many people to Christ as possible. We are available for speaking engagements including conferences. Our commitment to you as our partner is to pray the prayer of faith for you on a daily basis. We want to build relationships. Together we can accomplish the impossible.

In March we were blessed to minister in Gatineau Quebec, St. Thomas Ontario and at our home church in Oshawa Ontario. In the month of April we will be ministering in Tweed Ontario and at our home church. For more information please go to our website: www.rotm.ca
Then a long awaited time away of refreshing and refilling of the Holy Spirit in Dayton Ohio.

THE SERPENT ON THE POLE - A "TYPE" OF REDEMPTION IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

Num. 21:1-9 "The king of Arad, the Canaanite, who dwelt in the South, heard that Israel was coming on the road to Atharim. Then he fought against Israel and took some of them prisoners. ² So Israel made a vow to the LORD, and said, "If You will indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities." 3 And the LORD listened to the voice of Israel and delivered up the Canaanites, and they utterly destroyed them and their cities. So the name of that place was called Hormah. 4 Then they journeyed from Mount Hor by the Way of the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; and the soul of the people became very discouraged on the way. 5 And the people spoke against God and against Moses: "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our soul loathes this worthless bread." 6 So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. Then the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he looks at it, shall live." 9 So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived."

"Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord God, "That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But

- Amos 8:11

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God was not pleased with them because they were overthrown in the wilderness – do not let Him become displeased with us for disobeying His Word.

Do not become discouraged or depressed – it is "NOT" alright.

*Do not complain or murmur it lowers the protection shield.

Up to now there weren't any snakes – but now there was thousands.

*Up to now there was a barrier around God's people.

The snakes were always there – they were just always protected.

*The snakes represent demons – Luke 10:19

*Gripping and grumbling is doubt and unbelief and this opens the door for the attack of the enemy.

Gal. 5:15 (cannibalism) – This is very serious

If this happens – STOP, REPENT, and ASK GOD TO HELP – v7

*The serpent on the pole is a "TYPE" of Jesus on the Cross. V8, 9 - see John 3:14-16

He was made to be sin for us. The cross is not a pretty place or a place of glory – so that's why a snake was on the pole and not a lamb.

The cross is a place of sin, judgement, death and darkness.

*John 3:15 – Why Did Jesus compare the fiery serpent to Himself?

The serpent was "symbolic" of sin – gaze to be healed and delivered. V9

Jesus is the "real thing", actual sin, sickness, disease, lack and curse.

If there was healing and deliverance in the "TYPE" then there is definitely healing and deliverance in the real thing, Jesus Christ.

The cross is the place where Jesus hung and all the sins from eternity past as well as now and in this eternity to come was poured into His spotless sinless being.

The Bible says He became sin for us.

*As these people looked upon this serpent on the pole they lived.

This was a type of Jesus on the cross. John 3:15

UNBELIEF causes gripping and complaining and this opens the door to chaos.

Imagine 10's of 1000's of snakes in a camp of 3 million. Animals would also go nuts.

<u>UNBELIEF</u> opens the door to the devil in your life.

<u>UNBELIEF</u> is a subtle poison and is very deceptive.

Note: v8 The word look here means....(Strongs #7200) to view, to realize, to know, to consider, to become visible.

*Symptoms – These people that were bitten by these poisonous snakes had symptoms.

But they, like us had to steadfastly **gaze** on it just like we have to steadfastly **gaze** on the Lord Jesus. John 3:14-16

These people knew that they were going to die if they didn't look upon that serpent on the pole.

- *Their kids screaming.
- *Their flocks running all over the place, which is your lively hood.
- *Their mind fighting fear. Looking at symptoms can cause fear.

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But, if they wanted to live they would have to tune everything else out and fix their gaze on the serpent on the pole. Even though they were dealing with all the problems these snakes (demons) would bring including poisonous snakes crawling all over them.

*Just like they had to look at the serpent on the pole – we have to look at Jesus on the cross, or what He did for us while on the cross, beginning with salvation.

These people in the desert weren't born again like we are and they did it, so how much more can we do it.

Q. How did God heal them – what method?

A. He caused the venom to be "in-effective" and they started getting better immediately. Again, the serpent was "SYMBOLIC" of sin/curse and they had to gaze to be healed and delivered. Jesus Christ is "THE REAL THING". He actually became sin, sickness disease, lack, poverty and every other damnable, deceptive, poisonous thing the devil throws at us. If we are born again Jesus lives inside of us. We have the victory "Always". Again, If there was healing and deliverance in the type – then there is definitely healing and deliverance in the real thing.

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