

AFFLICTIONS!

-A POWERFUL REVELATION!
-JUST THE WAY IT HAPPENED!

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O LORD, REBUKE ME NOT IN THY WRATH: NEITHER
CHASTEN ME IN THY HOT DISPLEASURE. FOR THINE ARROWS
STICK' FAST IN ME, AND THY HAND PRESSETH ME SORE.
MY WOUNDS STINK AND ARE CORRUPT BECAUSE OF MY FOOLISH-
NESS. FOR MY LOINS ARE FILLED WITH A LOATHSOME DISEASE: AND
THERE IS NO SOUNDNESS IN MY FLESH: ALL THAT HATE ME
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MY HURT: AN EVIL DISEASE SAY THEY, CLEANETH FAST UNTO
HIM: AND NOW THAT HE LIETH HE SHALL RISE UP AND MORE



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1. WELL, I REALLY GOT A WONDERFULLY ENCOURAGING SCRIPTURE! I know it was a direct answer from the Lord because I'd just told Maria if we don't call it off permanently at least we're going to call it off temporarily, just quit it all--or at the very least forbid the girls to go to bed with the guys anymore--that's all, period!

2. I WAS JUST FED UP WITH SOME OF THE GIRLS GETTING THESE THINGS, and was thinking, "It's just not worth it! It's too much, too big a sacrifice, too much!" And I'd been sitting up worrying about it for about two hours grumbling and murmuring and complaining to her about it.

3. WHEN THE GOING GETS REALLY ROUGH IT'S USUALLY HER LITTLE CHILDLIKE FAITH THAT PULLS ME THROUGH. It's really amazing! I love you girls--you always come through just when we need you the most. I mean, there wouldn't have been a Revolution if it hadn't been for Maria--don't forget that.

4. PROBABLY SHE IS THE ONE THAT'LL GET THE BIGGEST CROWN WHEN WE GET OVER THERE. (Maria: I doubt it, Honey. I wouldn't have done anything like Flirty-Fishing if you hadn't encouraged me to.) I'm talking about the whole Revolution, Honey.

5. I WANTED TO GIVE YOU THIS FOR YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT because it takes a long time to get these Letters out. After grumbling and griping all morning about it and murmuring and complaining against the Lord and why He hadn't protected us from it, and why did He let the girls suffer and how come

He let them catch this?--Etc.

6. I WAS REALLY MAD AT THE LORD, when you gals had done it in love because you love them and you're trying to help them and save them, yet the Lord let you get these things. I was really mad! Even Moses got mad at God once in a while, you know that? He told the Lord off a few times and held Him to His Word.

7. I SAID, "LORD, I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!" That's enough, that's it, I'm finished! I'm going to just forget all about Flirty-Fishing and call in all the Letters and cancel the whole deal." I'm not afraid to change my doctrine if it doesn't work--like I did about that Israel business.

8. BUT IT KEPT COMING TO ME, "HOW COULD IT BE WRONG WHEN IT HAS SUCH GOOD FRUIT?" How could it be wrong when so many guys are getting saved and are witnessing and everything? How could it be wrong when it's accomplishing so much good and we get so many marvellous testimonies and everything? How could we be wrong!

9. THE HOLY SPIRIT WAS FAITHFUL IN THAT--HE KEPT REMINDING ME OF THAT: HOW CAN IT BE WRONG IF IT'S DOING SO MUCH GOOD in spite of these things? But I told the Lord it's just too big a price to pay! That's too much! So after two hours of grumbling about it and firing off verbal shots at poor Maria and everything and everybody, I was really angry.

10. I FINALLY JUST TURNED OVER ON MY SIDE AND SAID, "I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO SLEEP AND FORGET THE WHOLE THING!" I was totally defeated and discouraged and ready

to give up--not the Revolution but the girls going to bed with the guys--not even the FFing. But the trouble is with FFing there just is hardly any place to stop. I mean how are you going to FF and not carry through, in at least some cases?

11. YOU KNOW SOME OF THOSE GUYS YOU COULDN'T HAVE PULLED THROUGH IF YOU HADN'T LOVED THEM "ALL THE WAY"!

Like that old song: "When somebody loves you it's no good unless they love you, all the way!" So I was really discouraged. I tell you these things honestly because I want you to know I go through the same things you go through. I'm no different than you--it's just the Lord. If anything good happens, it's the Lord!

12. SO I JUST ROLLED OVER IN BED AND BURIED MY FACE IN THE PILLOW AND SAID, "WELL, THAT'S IT! I'M THROUGH! NO MORE--CALL IT OFF!"

(Maria: You asked me, "Why did it happen?" And I said, "Well, probably as a test of our faith, to see if we're still willing to go through with it.") First she said,

13. "IT'S AN ATTACK OF THE DEVIL! IT'S JUST AN ATTACK OF THE DEVIL TO TRY TO GET YOU TO STOP."

I said, "Yes, but the Lord could have prevented it. He didn't have to let it happen, the Lord didn't have to let the Devil attack us." Then she said, "Well, it's just a test of our faith to see how willing we are to do it.

14. "THE DEVIL WOULD LIKE TO STOP US ALL RIGHT NOW, of course."

(Maria: Dad answered, "I thought you'd say that!") Well, I knew what she said was true of course. Considering all the good we're doing it must be an attack of the

Devil. Then I said, "Well Lord, but why did You let it happen? Why did You let him attack us like this? Why did You let the girls catch something when You could have prevented it?"

15. I WAS GOING TO SLEEP AND BURYING MY FACE IN THE PILLOW READY TO QUIT,

feeling really broken hearted. I said, "Lord, after telling the whole world what to do and how to do it, well, it's working but it's costing too much!" And instantly I got the answer, that Scripture! I'm sure it was Maria's faith. She said,

16. "WELL, THERE MUST BE AN ANSWER--YOU'VE JUST GOT TO GET AN ANSWER FROM THE LORD!"

She just kept saying, "You've got to get an answer!" (Maria: And Dad said, "Well, we'll call it all off until we get the answer!" But I said, "Well, if the Lord wants to give us an answer, He can give it to us right now instead of waiting till we call it all off for a month!") But I couldn't see any answer.

17. I JUST COULDN'T SEE HOW IT COULD COST THAT MUCH

and be worth that much. And just as I was about to drop off to sleep she was still plugging the cause when I got the Scripture! Now often I get a Scripture which is almost like a new translation--I mean it's like the Holy Spirit's own interpretation: "He bore our diseases. He bore our diseases."

18. WE HAVE BEEN COMPARING THIS MINISTRY TO THE MINISTRY OF

CHRIST, the sacrifices and the crucifixion of Christ. It is the most difficult and the most dangerous ministry I think we have ever entered into and costs the most in sacrifice, in crucifixion

and suffering--for the boys as well.

19. BUT IT IS UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST FRUITFUL MINISTRY WE'VE EVER HAD WITH THE OLDER GENERATION in particular. I mean we are reaching older men now, systemites and men in the establishment, the older generation. I have told Maria this before: It's like the Lord had to first of all have a youth Revolution.

20. HE HAD TO CAPTURE THE HEARTS OF THE YOUTH FIRST, because they were the only ones who were really open and receptive, then use them to attack the older generation, see, to win the older generation, because the older generation was too hard and unresponsive and unreceptive.--And then He has to use these drastic measures and means of Fling to get through to them. It's like the Lord is determined to get through to them whether they like it or not. He first took the youth who were open and responsive and receptive and ready.

21. BUT NOW HE'S GOT A WORLD-WIDE ARMY OF YOUTH THAT ARE REALLY FIGHTERS, AND HE'S READY TO ATTACK THE ESTABLISHMENT!--Amen? And that's what we're doing down there every night--we are attacking the establishment, let's face it! We are winning converts right out of the house of Caesar!

22. WE ARE WINNING CONVERTS RIGHT FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT--the police, the professionals, the city fathers and the guys who are running the place! (Maria: And their friends tell them they're brainwashed! They say, "You're absolutely brainwashed!") You ought to hear the terrible things they're saying to this guy that's

flipped out over Sarah! They say terrible things to him! I mean they tell them all the same thing. They said the same thing to the others: "Oh, they've brainwashed you!" One said they threw up their hands and said, "The Greeks have conquered the Romans!"

23. SO WE KNOW IT'S EFFECTIVE, WE KNOW IT'S DOING THE JOB, BUT I JUST COULDN'T SEE HOW IT COULD POSSIBLY BE WORTH THE PRICE, especially now since some of the girls have been starting to catch things. I thought surely the Lord was going to save us from that. But that's what I got!

24. I SAID, "NOW THERE MUST BE A SCRIPTURE", AND I GOT: "HE BORE OUR DISEASES!" That's the way I got it, the words I got: "He bore our diseases". Just like that! "He bore our diseases!" In other words, to save us Jesus was willing to even bear our diseases!

25. SO I SAID, "WELL LORD, WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT IN THE BIBLE?" I know there's a Scripture something like that, but I couldn't remember where. I said, "I think it's in Isaiah". So I looked it up in Isaiah and it said, "Surely He has born our sorrows and carried our griefs"--But it doesn't say diseases. But Maria was Spirit-led and inspired. She said, "Well, what about infirmities, there's something about infirmities--look that up!"--And there it was, a Scripture, one of my mother's favourite Scriptures she used to use for healing all the time:

26. MATTHEW 8:17--"HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BORE OUR SICKNESSES!" And then the shocking thought came to me when I heard that. Now you take these Scrip-

tures--all your life you hear them in church and everything: Oh yes, Jesus went to the cross and bore all of our sins and bore our diseases and all that, and that's why we can get healed and saved, blah blah.

27. AND WE LOOK AT THE CROSS AND WE THINK ABOUT HOW CHRIST

SUFFERED in the flesh on the cross for our salvation, and how the Scripture says that He Himself suffered and "was tempted in all things like as we are, yet without sin." (Heb. 4:15.)

28. NOW I'M GOING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO BE HARD FOR YOU TO BELIEVE,

but for the first time in my life--and I think it's a direct revelation of God--and I believe the Scriptures confirm it from one end to the other! We just spent our whole morning in the Bible, four hours just going through Scripture after Scripture, even the types and shadows of David in his psalms when he's speaking like Christ and things that happened to him.

29. IF HE WAS TEMPTED IN ALL POINTS LIKE AS WE ARE

in order that He could sympathise with us, "we have not an high priest who cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities", with the feeling of our sicknesses, our diseases! Are you beginning to realise what that means? I mean the preachers always misinterpret this like, well, He sympathises with us, you know, because He became a man and He suffered a little bit with us so He knows a little bit what it's like--He suffered hunger, He suffered thirst, He suffered weariness, He suffered pain.

30. BUT IT SAYS THAT HE WAS

TEMPTED IN ALL THINGS LIKE AS WE

ARE. He suffered sexual temptation, we've already told you that, yet to Him it was without sin, to Him it was no sin. If He suffered everything that human beings suffer, and there it is clearly stated in the Bible as plain as day, Christ also suffered disease.

31. AT SOME TIME OR OTHER IN HIS LIFE HE SUFFERED DISEASE.

He had to, it says so, He was tempted in all things like as we are, it says that He suffered all these things for us. It says that He suffered that He might learn obedience through the things which He suffered. (Heb.5:8.)

32. IT SAYS ALSO THAT HE SUFFERED THAT HE MIGHT BECOME PERFECT

--CHRIST! You mean He wasn't perfect? Well, He wasn't in a sense complete yet, His work was not yet perfect until He died on the cross, it wasn't complete or finished, so He wasn't perfect until it was all done. Well, I'll let you decide, let the Holy Spirit convince you. When the Bible therefore says that "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" and the Scripture the way I got the interpretation this morning, "He bore our diseases", and another Scripture:

33. "HE HIMSELF BORE OUR SINS IN HIS OWN BODY ON THE TREE."

(I Pet.2:24.)--In His own body He bore it! Then at sometime or other Jesus knew what it was like to be sick. Now historically, specifically, that is not actually recorded, but what is the difference? Weariness, pain, hunger, thirst...Well, I'm almost done, you got the point?

34. ALL I CAN SEE IS THAT SOME-

TIME IN HIS LIFE JESUS HIMSELF SUFFERED SICKNESS to know what it was like to be sick, so that He could be a perfect High Priest "touched with the feeling of our infirmities" because He Himself went through it! But not only that, He "Himself bare our sins in His own body on the tree" that we might be saved! He took upon Himself our sins that we might be saved.

35. HE TOOK UPON HIMSELF OUR DISEASES that we might be healed. We don't know what Christ went through really in those days He was in the grave. Now it says that God would not suffer His body to be corrupted. (Ps 16:10.) In other words He would be allowed to die but not totally go to corruption in that way.--Die yes, but not decay in the grave.

36. WHAT ALL HE SUFFERED WE DON'T KNOW. So then we looked up more Scripture, and we kept getting Scriptures along the same line, Isaiah and all. I'd been saying it was too great a price to pay, but there it was!

37. (MARIA: TOO GREAT A PRICE?)
--What, Honey? How could it be too great a price?) "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Now apparently that's a translation, an interpretation of Isaiah 53. See here in Matthew he says, "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet saying,

38. "HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES." Isn't that amazing! The Scripture in my mind when I got it was: "He bore our diseases"--He bore our

diseases.--He bore our diseases. (Maria: What does that mean? Does it mean physically?) Well, on the cross--on the cross He of course bore everything. (Maria: But as you said,

39. IF HE MADE LOVE WITH WOMEN, EVIDENTLY IT HAPPENED, just like we make love with the men, right?) It must be. "Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows". Now it's either that one or where it says, "But He was wounded for our trespasses, bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him" and so on. But that's more like His other persecution. I think it's just a different translation, that's all, of the same Scripture. Listen to it, it's such a close parallel, listen:

40. "HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES". Took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses equals: "He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows". That's the only Scripture here in Isaiah that's parallel to that--"He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows". The same as, "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses."

41. THIS IS AMAZING I SHOULD GET THIS, BECAUSE WE HAVE COMPARED THIS FF MINISTRY SO CLOSELY TO THAT OF CHRIST HIMSELF, His crucifixion and all the rest. Well, that was one thing He did, to take our infirmities and bare our sicknesses. (Maria: He may have even contracted some diseases from those women.) Maybe so.

42. (MARIA: WHAT DID HIS ENEMIES SAY?--THAT HE HAD AN EVIL DISEASE?) That was said of David. Yes, they said, "He hath a loathsome disease"--"an evil disease". (Ps 38:7, 41:8.) But of course David was a

type of Christ and he suffered many of the same things that Christ suffered. That was a remarkable Scripture! How did it come about that I got that?--You were saying something?

43. (MARIA: YOU WERE ASKING WE HAVE TO LOVE THEM ENOUGH EVEN TO HAVE THEIR DISEASES?) I said,

"Lord, that's too much!"--and immediately the Scripture came to me--"He bore our diseases"--He bore our diseases! You were Spirit-led to think of the word "infirmities", Honey. You were Spirit-led, because I wouldn't have thought of looking under that. I would have given up looking. You were Spirit-led, Sweetheart--it's wonderful! (Maria: Because I have the faith that we're right. Like I told Dr. Peter when he questioned me:

I SAID, "PETER, WE'RE GIVING OUR LIVES FOR THESE GUYS!" Every time we get something like this, we're giving them our lives!) You girls are really risking your lives, just like Jesus did. (Maria: It's so good that you've gotten this, because now when people accuse us and say, "But look, you've gotten this disease!"--we can show them that we're willing to even do that to save them!)

45. "HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR DISEASES!"

(Maria: It's so good! Next time I see Peter I'll tell him about it!) Was there any other verse on infirmities? (Maria: I knew the Lord would give us an answer on what was happening when you got so discouraged.) "The strong ought to bare the infirmities of the weak"--that's quite a Scripture, huh? Romans

15:1. "I glory not but in my infirmities". (2 Cor. 12:5.) "I take pleasure in my infirmities." (2 Cor. 12:10.) "We have not an High Priest who is not touched with the feeling of our infirmities." (Heb. 4:15.)

46. (MARIA: WE'RE LIKE THE HIGH PRIESTESSES OF LOVE, REMEMBER? YOU SAID WE'RE GOD'S PRIESTESSES OF LOVE!) Hebrews 4:15. He was touched with the feeling of our infirmities. (Maria: Remember Honey, you said we're like their priestesses of love!) "High priests which have infirmity".--Hebrews 7:28: "The law maketh men high priests which have infirmity". Hebrews 4:15:

47. "FOR WE HAVE NOT AN HIGH PRIEST WHICH CANNOT BE TOUCHED WITH THE FEELING OF OUR INFIRMITIES". That's the way they put it: "For we have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

48. NOW HOW COULD HE POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN TEMPTED IN ALL POINTS LIKE AS WE ARE UNLESS AT SOMETIME HE SUFFERED DISEASES? Isn't that something! I never thought about Jesus ever having suffered any disease! He suffered everything else physical--weariness, hunger, thirst, pain, sexual desire etc. They must have blotted that out, the church or the Jews, somewhere along the way, like they did about His relationship with Mary and Martha, because that was just too much for them to stomach!

49. BUT THERE IT IS--IT'S IN THE BIBLE! He must have at some time, like David was a type of Him and it told in the Psalms

about David having a loathsome disease, it must be that at some time or other he must have suffered diseases of some kind or been sick or something in order to have been tempted in all points like as we are! Just to have been hungry, thirsty, tired or even suffer pain and crucifixion is not really suffering in all points like as we are.

50. HE MUST HAVE BEEN TEMPTED IN SEXUAL POINTS AS WELL, AND HE MUST HAVE BEEN TESTED BY DISEASES! It must be! "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses!"--So how else? "We have not an High Priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities!"--Heb. 4:15. "But was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

51. HE MAY HAVE EVEN CONTRACTED A DISEASE FROM MARY MAGDALENE, WHO HAD BEEN A KNOWN PROSTITUTE, and several other women that were prostitutes that followed Him, or Mary and Martha. If so, then He was certainly tempted in all points like as we are, and He bore it for their sakes because they needed His love!

52. THAT'S A SHOCKING DOCTRINE, ISN'T IT! One of these days they're probably going to say, "Well, they even believe that Jesus had Venereal disease!" Whew! Well, if He suffered every other human frailty, illness, sickness, sorrow, hunger, thirst, pain etc. that the Bible very clearly speaks of, why not? But the Bible or its translators were pretty delicate on some of these subjects. I think they probably didn't want to talk

about that. (Maria: I told Peter that yesterday. I said,

53. "WE'RE GIVING OUR LIVES IN LOVE FOR THESE PEOPLE!") Some of these were my mother's favourite verses on healing: Romans 8:26--"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities". Romans 15:1--"We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves."

54. BOY, THAT'S A STRONG ONE! Hebrews 5:1-3--"For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. Who can have compassion on the ignorant and on them that are out of the way, for that He Himself also is compassed with infirmity."

55. WELL, IF HE'D NEVER SUFFERED THEIR SEXUAL DISEASES HE COULD NEVER REALLY HAVE FULL COMPASSION ON THEIR SUFFERINGS, COULD HE?--To be willing to even contract their diseases!--That seemed to me too much. Isn't that something? But suddenly I got that Scripture! I thought, "Lord, this is too much, that's too much!"

56. IT JUST SEEMED LIKE TOO MUCH OF A PRICE TO PAY TO ALSO CONTRACT THEIR DISEASES--JUST TOO MUCH! But Job said in Job 30:18: "My disease is my garment"--how horrible! Think of it! He had a loathsome disease so horrible his wife told him to curse God and die! This all seems too much that we have to go that far, to even bear their diseases--it just seems too much! In Psalms 38:7 David said in the first part of the Psalm:

57. "O LORD, REBUKE ME NOT IN THY WRATH neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure. For mine ar-

rows stick fast in me and Thy hand presseth me sore. There is no soundness in my flesh because of Thine anger, neither is there any rest in my bones because of my sin. For mine iniquities are gone over mine head as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me."

58. MY WOUNDS STINK AND ARE CORRUPT BECAUSE OF MY FOOLISHNESS. (Maybe you didn't wash!) I am troubled, I am bowed down greatly, I go mourning all the day long. For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease and there is no soundness in my flesh. I am feeble and sore broken. I have roared by reason of the quietness of my heart."--And so on and so on.

59. WELL, HERE WAS A CASE WHERE HE WAS APPARENTLY DISEASED BECAUSE OF THE JUDGEMENTS OF THE LORD. But in Psalm 41:8 it says that: "All that hate me whisper together against me, against me do they devise my hurt. 'An evil disease', say they, 'cleaveth fast unto him, and now that he lieth down he shall rise up no more.' Mine enemies speak evil of me, 'When shall he die and his name perish?' And if he come to see me he speaketh vanity, his heart gathereth iniquity" and so on.

60. HE WAS ACCUSED OF HAVING AN EVIL LOATHSOME DISEASE. And maybe he did--he must have. Well, if Christ was tempted in all points like we are, He must have been tempted with every type of human weakness and disease, or at least some diseases. He was human, He had a human body, suffered hunger, thirst, pain, weariness. Well, that's all I know--that's

the Scripture I got.--And that was Matthew 8:17:

61. "HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES". Praise God! Thank You Lord! Cited from Isaiah 53:4--"Surely He hath born our griefs and carried our sorrows." See, "Yet we did esteem Him stricken of God and afflicted"!--In other words He was accused of being judged by God, smitten of God, stricken of God, because He had such a disease or sorrow. (Maria: In other words they claimed it was because he'd sinned!) Yes, they were accusing Him that He was sick because of His sins, but instead He was sick because of our sins!

62. YOU GIRLS ARE NOT SICK BECAUSE OF YOUR OWN SINS BUT BECAUSE OF THE SINS OF THESE MEN YOU'RE TRYING TO SAVE, RIGHT? (Maria: You told me last night we must be doing something wrong, but thank the Lord He gave the answer!) Yes, you're bearing their sins, you're bearing their iniquities, you're bearing their griefs, their sorrows, their diseases and you're suffering for their sins, not for your own!

63. YOU ARE NOT THE ONES WHO DID EVIL--THEY'RE THE ONES WHO DID EVIL AND CONTRACTED THOSE DISEASES! You're simply bearing them because of their sins in order to try to save them! Boy, that's almost too strong a truth! I don't know how many people are going to be able to take that one! But that's the answer I got, that's all I know.

64. I WAS ABOUT TO GIVE UP and was saying, "Lord, is this some kind of a curse because we're doing some evil? Is it evil that we're going to bed with these men?"

I've gotten a lot of answers before, but I think this is one of the most shocking ones I ever got! Some people may find it too hard to believe.

65. IT WAS HARD ENOUGH for our kids to believe that FFing was all right at all and that it was all right to go that far to love these men to try to save them.-- But to believe that we even have to be willing to contract their diseases and bear their iniquities! This is almost too much! But

66. "HIMSELF BARE OUR INIQUITIES IN HIS OWN BODY ON THE TREE"
--I Pet.2:24. Well, if you contract their diseases, in a way you're bearing their sins, you're bearing the consequences of their sins, really. So goodness gracious, I never dreamed in this world that that sort of thing would be possible! I didn't think the Lord would allow it.

67. BUT HE ALLOWED CHRIST TO BEAR OUR SINS AND OUR INIQUITIES.
If we are to be vicarious with others the same way He was with us, then we sometimes have to suffer for their sins too! (Maria: Remember what my first reaction was? You asked, "Well why then?" --And I said, "Well, because the Lord's allowed it as a test, allowed the Devil to do it as a test to test our faith, to see if we're going to give up. He's trying to get us to give up!") Yes, to see if we're willing to pay any price! We say we love them, but are we willing to pay any price for their salvation to save them?

68. WE SAY WE'RE WILLING TO DIE FOR THEM--WELL, BEING SICK AND HAVING THEIR DISEASES BECAUSE OF IT IS DYING FOR THEM! (Maria:

I told Dr. Peter yesterday, I said, "We're dying a little bit daily! We're giving our lives for these people that we love!") Oh my God! That seems almost too great a price to pay, that we have to be willing to contract their evil diseases in order to love them to save them!

69. THAT JUST SEEMS ALMOST TOO MUCH!--WHY DIDN'T THE LORD PROTECT US FROM IT? (Maria: Maybe the Lord's allowed this so you'd get desperate enough to get the answer, to show us we have to be willing to do that, and now you have the answer!..) Thank You Lord! I was just saying, "Why doesn't the Lord protect us from it, why do we have to get them?" --And I got:

70. "HE SAVED OTHERS BUT HIMSELF HE COULD NOT SAVE"! God didn't protect Jesus from suffering for our sins, so if we have a ministry like Jesus, which you girls certainly do as I've said before, then just like Jesus dying on the cross you cannot save yourselves! You have a ministry like Jesus.

71. WHEN YOU GIRLS FEEL THEIR "NAILS" POUNDING INTO YOU, MAYBE YOU CAN THINK ABOUT THE NAILS POUNDING INTO JESUS ON THE CROSS --EVEN WHEN IT HURTS! What a comparison! Boy oh boy oh boy! That is almost too much! I don't know how many could really take that. But thank God, that answer came to me just as clear as anything-- "Himself bore our diseases"! Isn't that something how the translation I got by the Holy Spirit was diseases? Matthew's is "infirmities" and "sicknesses", the same thing of course, and Isaiah's is "griefs" and



"sorrows". But literally apparently the Holy Spirit translates it in our own language even more specifically as "diseases".

72. (MARIA: BUT LOOK, JESUS DIDN'T SUFFER ALL THESE DISEASES ALL THE TIME. I think we're just going through this now as a test.) But He must have suffered them at sometime in order to know what it was like. (Maria: Right, and I think we're just going through this now to see this, to learn this lesson, then the Lord's going to deliver us. We're not going to have this all the time, but the Lord's going to protect us. But we had to find it out, we had to feel it first.)

73. WELL, THIS IS CERTAINLY A SORE TRIAL AND A SORE TEST! I WAS READY TO CALL EVERYTHING OFF and declare a total ban and give it all up! Yet you know it has borne good fruit, you know it's paid off, it's paid off in lots of souls. We've won multitudes of souls here now, real witnesses for the Lord, strong men that are really led of the Lord, and it has been a terrific witness, an outstanding witness!

74. WHAT A DOCTRINE! OH MY GOD, WHAT A DOCTRINE! WAIT'LL THEY HEAR THIS ONE! If they thought the others were strong, wait till they hear this one! Well I'll tell you, I was ready to give up this morning, I was really ready to give up! But that is one of the most amazing answers I've ever heard, straight from the Holy Spirit and straight out of the Bible!

75. BUT IT JUST DOESN'T SEEM POSSIBLE! HOW COULD IT BE POSSIBLE? And yet that's what the

Lord did for us, that's just what Jesus did for us! It says so! "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses!" "Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows"! He suffered for our sins, He suffered for our iniquities for us. "He bore our sins in His own body on the tree!" (I Pet. 2:24.) Praise the Lord, thank You Lord!

76. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST AMAZING ANSWERS I THINK I'VE EVER GOTTEN TO ANY PROBLEM! I mean that's almost unbelievable, almost unbelievable to think that God would give an answer like that! But it's true! We bear their sorrows, carry their griefs--bear their griefs, carry their sorrows, bear their iniquities, just like "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses".

77. IF HE DID THAT FOR US, THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO DO FOR THEM in order to reach them, to love them, to save them! Amen, praise God! I don't know how in the world, how could God expect that of us? But that's what He expected of Jesus, so that's what He expects of us. Amen.

78. THERE'S ANOTHER SCRIPTURE --WHAT IS THAT SCRIPTURE ABOUT "WE ARE MADE PARTAKERS OF HIS SUFFERINGS"? He bore our iniquities, sins, infirmities, diseases, sicknesses for us, so He says we are also partakers of His sufferings.--II Cor. 1:7. Amen! I was just looking it up, and praise God, it was the first verse my eyes fell on in this whole long list of two or three columns of verses on "suffer"

and "suffering"--II Cor. 1:7!

79. II CORINTHIANS 1, BEGINNING WITH THE 4TH VERSE: "WHO COMFORTETH US IN ALL OUR TRIBULATION that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

80. "AND WHETHER WE BE AFFLICTED, IT IS FOR YOUR CONSOLATION AND SALVATION, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer. Or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation. And our hope of you is stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation." I Cor. 1:4-7.

81. THERE'S ANOTHER ONE IN PHILIPPIANS 3:10--"Yea doubtless and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and do count them but dung that I may win Christ!-- And be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith.--

82. "THAT I MAY KNOW HIM AND THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SUFFERINGS being made conformable unto His death!" In Hebrews 2nd Chapter, "We see Jesus", 9th verse, "Who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour, that He by the grace of God

should taste death for every man!"

83. THINK OF IT!--JESUS TASTED DEATH FOR US!--And in a way when you suffer a disease or a sickness, you're tasting death, you're tasting death for these men! "For it became Him, for Whom are all things, and by Whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings!"

84. THINK OF THAT, JESUS WAS MADE PERFECT THROUGH SUFFERING! He was not complete, apparently, to begin with, for it says in another place that He learned obedience through suffering, He was made perfect through suffering--think of that!--Heb. 5:8. Until Christ suffered, actually suffered for us, He still didn't really understand our sufferings and He still didn't really bear our sufferings, our sorrows, our griefs, our agonies, our pain, our infirmities, our sicknesses, until He Himself suffered them.

85. HE WAS WITHOUT SIN, BUT HE WAS NOT YET PERFECT, in other words complete, until He'd had all these experiences and sufferings for us. I Peter 4 beginning with the First Verse says: "Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh", just like you girls are suffering for these men in the flesh, "arm yourselves likewise with the same mind. For he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin."

86. IN OTHER WORDS, WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO SUFFER FOR SOMEONE ELSE, THAT'S REAL RIGHTEOUSNESS, THAT'S REAL LOVE, that's a real ceasing from sin!



12th Verse: "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you. But rejoice inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory shall be revealed ye may be glad also with exceeding joy!" It's like that one verse about "hating even the garment spotted by the flesh", "as a brand snatched from the burning", (Jude 23, Amos 4:11) saved from the fire!

87. IF YOU HAVE TO PICK UP SOMETHING OUT OF THE GUTTER OR OUT OF THE GARBAGE, YOU'RE BOUND TO GET YOUR OWN FINGERS OR YOUR HAND DIRTY, you're bound to get a little bit soiled yourself. We brought out that in another talk recently, didn't we? (See "Dirty Dishes".)--In order to wash the dishes you have to get your own hands dirty.

88. "REJOICE INASMUCH AS YE ARE PARTAKERS OF CHRIST'S SUFFERINGS, that when His glory shall be revealed ye may be glad also with exceeding joy! If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye, for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you. On their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified!" It also says in Jude,

89. "BELOVED, BUILDING UP YOURSELVES ON YOUR MOST HOLY FAITH, PRAYING IN THE HOLY GHOST, KEEP YOURSELVES IN THE LOVE OF GOD (don't quit!), looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion making a difference. And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment spotted by the flesh!"

90. I'LL TELL YOU, IT'S DANGEROUS TO SAVE SOME PEOPLE! You might get a little burned or your own garment spotted by the flesh --or catch their diseases as you dirty your own hands with their sins! But praise God, "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever! Amen."

91. WELL, THERE'RE TWO OR THREE COLUMNS OF SCRIPTURE REFERENCES ON SUFFERING IN THIS CONCORDANCE, and there're so many verses on Christ's suffering. "It behooved Christ to suffer these things" and so on. The prophets prophesied that Christ should suffer. It says, "We are counted worthy to suffer shame" and "How great things ye must suffer". Ah, I Thes.3:3: "That no man should be moved by these afflictions". That reminds me of another word we could look up--afflictions. It says,

92. "FOR MANY ARE THE AFFLICTIONS OF THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT THE LORD DELIVERETH HIM OUT OF THEM ALL!" (Ps. 34:19.) "For your selves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily when we were with you we told you before that we should suffer tribulation, even as it came to pass and ye know." (I Thes.3:3,4.) Another good one, 2 Tim.2:12:

93. "FOR IF WE SUFFER WITH HIM WE SHALL ALSO REIGN WITH HIM." "And all that live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution"--that's 2 Tim.3:12. Then in Hebrews 11:25 it says that Moses "chose rather to suf-

fer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season".

94. AH, I WAS SO TIRED, I WAS JUST READY TO GIVE UP! I was just turning over to go back to sleep when I got that answer--isn't that amazing? I closed my eyes and I thought, "Well, I can't bear it, I just can't suffer it, I can't take it, I feel like quitting! Some of our dear sweet girls are having problems!"-- And of course the boys have been suffering too! They suffer the sacrifice of their women, and some of them might even get it too! Galations 3:4 would be a good verse to remember too:

95. "HAVE YE SUFFERED SO MANY THINGS IN VAIN?" I was just about to give up the whole FF ministry because of this suffering now, but if we gave it all up it seemed like it would all have been in vain! And in Heb. 5: 8 it says that Christ Himself learned obedience by the things which He suffered. And Heb. 13:12 says that Jesus also suffered without the gate. And it continues in the 13th Verse saying,

96. "LET US GO FORTH THEREFORE UNTO HIM WITHOUT THE CAMP (LIKE A LEPER!), BEARING HIS REPROACH." We certainly live without the camp in our work, outside the camp of the System, out amongst the despised and the rejected and neglected and the publicans and the sinners and the drunks and the harlots and the hippies and whatnot. Therefore He says in James 5:10, "Take my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction and of patience."

97. MARIA WAS JUST SAYING, "JUST THINK--I'VE HAD IT THREE TIMES!"--Yet I'd never thought about it as actual suffering that I'm enduring for them." It has been so engrained into us that sexually transmitted diseases are so evil and that therefore they're the consequence of your own sexual sins, that it just has had a hard time sinking in!

98. IN THIS CASE YOU'RE NOT DOING THIS FOR YOUR OWN SELFISH PLEASURE, for your own sinful pleasures. You're not going to bed with these men just because you enjoy it--you're going to bed with them for their sake and to save them. Therefore you're not suffering for your sins, you are suffering for their sins, bearing their sins, suffering for them!

99. THAT'S THE SHOCKING TRUTH THAT WE'RE LEARNING THIS MORNING! That's what you told the Doctor yesterday, praise God! I wish you would write it all out, Honey. There's a whole column of references on "affliction", mostly about the Lord looking on our afflictions and being mindful of our afflictions and having mercy on us because of our afflictions, and taking pity on us because of our afflictions and so on.

100. SO THERE ARE A LOT OF PROMISES THAT THE LORD HELPS US IN TIME OF AFFLICTION. Psalm 119: 153rd Verse says: "Consider mine affliction and deliver me". Isa. 48:10 says, "We're tried in the furnace of affliction". David was always praying for the Lord to behold his affliction and have mercy on him. And of course in that classic Psalm 34:19 it says

that

101. "MANY ARE THE AFFLICTIONS OF THE RIGHTEOUS!"--Afflictions of whom?--Not of the wicked, but the afflictions of the righteous! --"But the Lord delivereth him out of them all!"! Praise God! Thank You Lord for that! The Psalms can tell you about David and all of his afflictions. It even says in those passages we read before:

102. KING DAVID HAD AN EVIL DISEASE, A LOATHSOME DISEASE, AND HIS ENEMIES CRITICISED HIM FOR IT AS BEING WICKED! Those verses were in Psalms 38 and 41. Here's another good one, 2 Tim. the First Chapter, right after one of my favourite verses: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God."

103. YOU GIRLS HAVE CERTAINLY SUFFERED AFFLICTION FOR THE GOSPEL, because by preaching the gospel to these men and showing His love to them even in bed, some of you've had to suffer afflictions as a result! Thank God for these wonderful Scriptures! Thank You Lord! I never thought of these in this reference at all. Praise God! Sure enough, that's the reference Matthew 8:17 refers to--Isaiah 53:4:

104. "SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS", which Matthew quotes as "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses". But the way I got the answer this morning in the

way the Holy Spirit translated it to me, I couldn't remember where it was or what, but:

105. "HIMSELF BORE OUR DISEASES"--HE BORE OUR DISEASES! JUST THINK OF IT!--JESUS BORE OUR DISEASES TO SAVE US! Another Scripture that came to us and which seemed to bear reference immediately to the one that I first got, Peter translated in I Peter 2:24, "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness and by whose stripes ye were healed."

106. NOW HERE'S ONE ON HEALING, and the specific thing is a reference really to Isaiah, and that he's paraphrasing Isaiah really here: "He bare our sins" could be also translated as Matthew did, "Bare our sicknesses". "He Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses"--"in His own body on the tree"--Jesus even had to suffer our sicknesses! So there you are.

107. IN LOVING THESE MEN IN ORDER TO TRY TO SAVE THEM WE HAVE ALSO HAD TO SUFFER FOR THEM--not suffer for our sins but for their sins. We're not suffering for our sins, because we're not going to bed with these men for our own selfish sexual pleasure, but we're going to bed with them sacrificially in love in order to try to save them.

108. AND THEREFORE IF WE SUFFER ANY DISEASES OR AFFLICTIONS OR INFIRMITIES AS A RESULT, WE ARE SUFFERING FOR THEIR SINS, NOT OURS. We are suffering for their sins as Jesus did for ours in order that we and they might be saved. Hallelujah! Thank You

Jesus! Thank God for that verse--
"Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all!"

109. SO WE CAN EXPECT GOD TO ALSO DELIVER US, even though we have suffered for their sins, been afflicted for their sins, suffered their diseases, borne their iniquities, taken their infirmities and bare their sicknesses and diseases in our own bodies on the cross of crucifixion of the flesh for their sakes.

110. WE CAN EXPECT HIS DELIVERANCE ACCORDING TO HIS WORD. In Jesus Name, Lord, bless our dear girls. Keep them and protect them in whatever way You can to save them from too much suffering for the sins of these men. But Lord, if they should have to suffer, not for their own sins but for their sins, sins of others, we know that You will deliver them according to Your Word. So help us, Lord, help us in Jesus Name to be willing to suffer for them that they might be saved. In Jesus Name we ask, for Thy Glory.

111. "NO GREATER LOVE HATH ANY MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS." THESE GIRLS HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN LAYING DOWN THEIR BODIES AND LIVES FOR THEIR FRIENDS! So bless and keep them now and deliver them in Jesus' Name, amen. I was just thinking, I was just about to give up. I figured the simplest easiest way out was just to quit.

112. BUT YOU KNOW, THE LORD EVEN GAVE JESUS AN OPPORTUNITY TO QUIT, GAVE HIM A CHOICE IN THE GARDEN!--You know that?--And yet He deliberately chose to go ahead and suffer for us, think of that!

He could have quit, he could have avoided it if He wanted to. God gave Him a choice, but He chose: "Nevertheless, not My will but Thine be done!" He said, "Father, if it be Thy will, let this cup pass from me", the cup of suffering, "Nevertheless, not My will but Thine be done!" (Mat.26:39.)

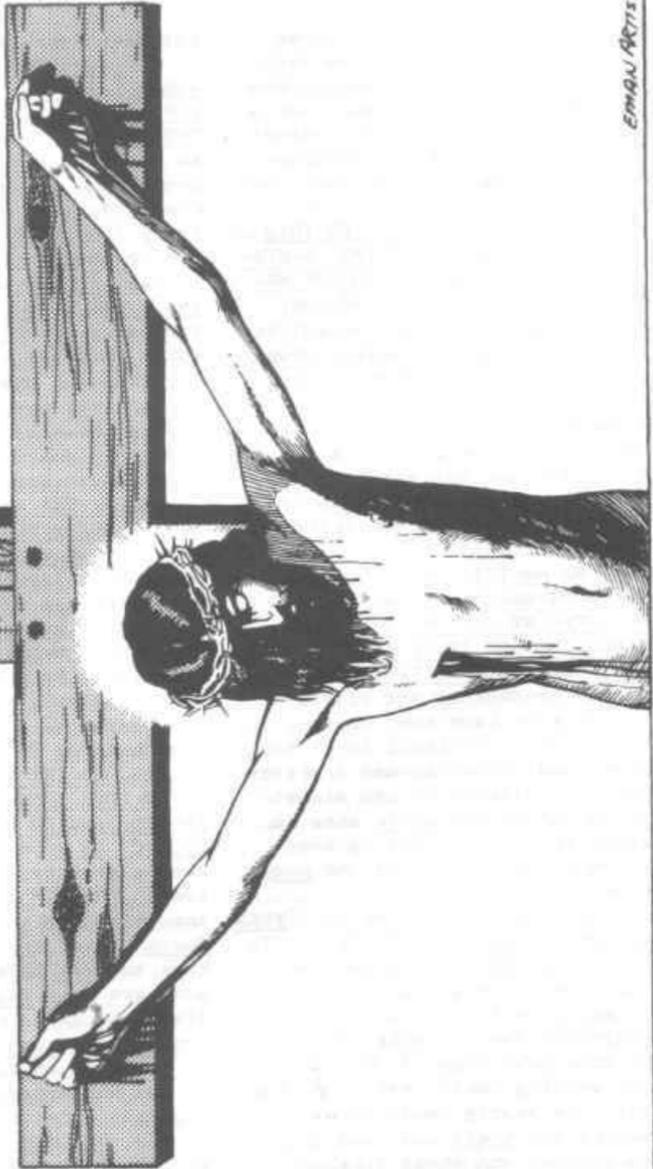
113. JESUS COULD HAVE QUIT AND GIVEN UP, TAKEN THE EASY WAY OUT AND REFUSED TO SUFFER SO TERRIBLY FOR OUR SINS, BUT HE DIDN'T QUIT! But this morning I think I was ready to quit. I just figured the easy way out is just to quit it all, stop it all, it was too much of a price to pay to contract their diseases and suffer that much for them!

114. BUT IT WAS YOUR CHILD-LIKE FAITH, HONEY, THAT REALLY PULLED ME THROUGH! Because I was just turning over to go back to sleep and forget it all, I was really giving up, when suddenly your faith--I'm sure it must have been your faith--pulled that out of me!--And the Lord gave the answer! Thank You Jesus! I knew the minute I heard that Scripture that it was from the Lord. Thank You Jesus!

115. WHAT AN ANSWER! WHAT A MINISTRY! WHAT A SUFFERING! My Lord! Oh, thank You Jesus! Help us Lord to be able to bear it! You promised You'd not let us suffer more than we'd be able to bear, but in all of these things would give us some way of escape (I Cor.10:13), So help us to find the way of escape, Lord, so we'll not have to suffer more than we can bear, in Jesus Name!

116. DELIVER US LORD, REBUKE THE ENEMY, PROTECT US, HEAL US like You did so marvellously

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protect Maria, Lord, in those first days with all those men, so many men, and she never contracted anything! It was such a miracle, Lord! Thank You Jesus! She never contracted anything but little David, and thank God for him!

117. BUT IT SEEMS LIKE THIS TIME THE LORD IS LETTING US SUFFER TO BE AN EXAMPLE TO THE BELIEVERS. Even though God can protect us He may let us suffer to see how much we really love Him and how much we're really willing to bear, to not only be crucified. For at the same time Christ was crucified He was also not only just suffering in the flesh but bearing our sins and our iniquities and our diseases and all of that!

118. SO THIS IS UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST DIFFICULT AND DANGEROUS MINISTRY WE HAVE EVER BEEN ENGAGED IN, BUT IT IS ALSO UNDOUBTEDLY THE MOST FRUITFUL and dynamic and productive and effective ministry we have ever engaged in! So I'm sure the Devil is plenty angry and attacking us! I'm sure the Lord allowed it and allows us to suffer for their sins in order to show us what it cost Jesus suffering for us and our sins.

119. ARE YOU WILLING TO SUFFER FOR OTHERS AS MUCH AS JESUS SUFFERED FOR YOU? What a question, huh? Are you willing to be crucified for others as He was for you?--Let those "nails" be pounded into you? Some of you girls are getting their "nails" pounded into you nearly every night, suffering for their sins and their iniquities and their diseases, to be saved by your love! What a

parallel, what an example!

120. (MARIA: I THINK THE LORD ALLOWED IT TOO, TO GET YOU SO CONCERNED AND DESPERATE TO GET THE ANSWER, 'cause otherwise if we hadn't had all these problems you wouldn't have gotten that concerned about it.) Amen, I was ready to call a moratorium on the whole thing!

121. I TOLD MARIA THIS MORNING I WAS GOING TO STOP FFING for maybe a whole week or even a month while we waited on the Lord for the answer, to see what the trouble was, why He was allowing these afflictions when we were only doing it for their sake and to save them in love.

122. I WAS ABOUT TO AT LEAST FORBID THE GIRLS FROM GOING TO BED ANYMORE WITH ANY MEN until the Lord delivered us. But I guess there's the answer. Now the Lord's going to have to deliver us somehow, as we can't constantly be diseased so that we're not able to make love to them.--And we don't want them to contract our diseases.

123. SO THE LORD, IF HE WANTS US TO LOVE THEM THAT MUCH, IS GOING TO HAVE TO DELIVER US AND PROTECT US so we can continue such a ministry to such an extreme. "But if not", we'll still love them for their sake, for Jesus' sake. But we're going to have to pray more desperately and have more faith in each individual case, that God will protect and keep us and not let us contract anything that would hinder and prevent us from having this effective FF ministry.

124. SO LORD, YOU ARE ABLE-- YOU PROMISED THAT "THE LORD DELIVERETH HIM OUT OF THEM ALL",

so please deliver us out of them all so that we may continue to minister, to love and to save in Jesus Name, amen. (Maria: The Devil's not only through this trying to discourage us spiritually to give up faith, but he's trying to stop it physically too!--That's pretty smart, huh? He's trying to stop some of us physically from being able to make love with anyone, and also spiritually by discouraging our faith and making us give up!) Right! But thank You Jesus!

125. I THINK I CAN GO TO SLEEP IN PEACE NOW--THE LORD'S GIVEN THE ANSWER! Thank You Jesus! I started to go to sleep in defeat and discouragement awhile ago, but now maybe I can rest, in Jesus Name. Boy, the Devil really attacked with real sharp pains and a stomach ache right when I was trying to make this tape, isn't that something?--And isn't that something that the minute the tape was finished the pains were almost all gone! Praise the Lord! (Maria: When I brought your wine back you didn't even need it--you'd forgotten about it five minutes later--the Lord healed it!)

126. I GUESS WE'LL CALL THIS "AFFLICTIONS", Lord willing. We've been willing to bear their children as the blessings of God, but we had never thought of being willing to bear their dis-eases--that seemed almost too much to expect! But Praise God, thank God! The Lord Himself bare our sicknesses, took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses in His own body on the tree!

127. SO THANK YOU JESUS! HELP US TO BE WILLING, BUT ALSO LORD

DELIVER US OUT OF ALL THESE AFFLICTIONS, IN JESUS NAME! (Maria: The mountain of our illnesses, we can say that it shall be removed!) Yes!--It says if we have faith as small as a grain of mustard seed that this mountain of illnesses should be removed! Amen, cast it into the midst of the sea, Lord, in Jesus Name! Praise God!

128. I NEVER DREAMED THAT THE LORD COULD HAVE BORNE OUR DIS-EASES BY ACTUALLY HAVING THEM! I remember my mother used to use those verses so much--He bore our afflictions and bore our diseases, our infirmities, Himself in His own body and so on.--But to me it was a kind of a spiritual thing, a sort of vicarious atonement, something spiritualised by the churches, and not that He actually had those things!

129. BUT HE MUST HAVE SUFFERED THEM AT SOMETIME OR ANOTHER IN ORDER TO REALLY HAVE THE SYMPATHY THAT HE NEEDED TO HAVE FOR US, because the Bible says so! Thank You Jesus! God bless you all! I love you! Keep on loving for Jesus, amen?--Even if it means some suffering, it's worth it for the saving, praise God? God bless you! xxxxxxxx! Seven kisses from David for your good work for the Lord! I love you! God bless you all in Jesus Name, amen. Hallelujah! Thank You Jesus! It's wonderful!

130. I DON'T THINK I COULD HAVE STOOD IT ANY LONGER WITHOUT AN ANSWER FROM THE LORD. Thank You Jesus! I was really ready to give up! But praise You Lord! Hallelujah! Thank You Lord! Thank You Jesus! "Therefore lift up the hands which hang down and

strengthen the feeble knees, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way"--in other words don't get discouraged.

131. "BUT RATHER LET IT BE HEALED"--AMEN? "FOR OUR LIGHT AFFLICTION IS BUT FOR THE MOMENT". (Heb.12:12,13;2 Cor.4:17.) (Maria: That's a good promise!) Yes, how come I didn't run across that one?--What's the rest of it? "Our light affliction which is but for the moment yieldeth a greater work of glory"--or something like that. I'll have to look it up later. Maybe I read it already. Thank You Lord, thank You Jesus!

132. IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE FUCKING YOU HONEY! (Maria: I'm sorry, it's against the Doctor's rules!) (But we did a little later by faith--and everything's fine! PTL!) Well, obviously by doctor's orders and treatments we're all going to be more or less "on the wagon"--or off the wagon--no more waggin' anything for two weeks to a month!

133. SO NO MORE WAGGIN' GIRLS FOR ABOUT ANOTHER MONTH! Just love the men up all you can without any waggin'! Don't wag your tail anymore, or wag their tail--at least not in yours--until your prescription runs out and the doctor clears you for further action--clears your deck, thank the Lord! Amen, Honey, that's enough.

134. (MARIA: I'VE HAD IT MORE THAN ANYBODY ELSE. I've had something three times just in the space of about three months.) Well Honey, you and I were always the pioneers, we always have to go through it the most first so that the rest will be able to follow.

135. WE DON'T ASK THEM TO GO THROUGH ANYTHING WE HAVEN'T BEEN THROUGH OURSELVES. We don't ask them to follow on any path we haven't already trod. So you've already gone through it, first with the men and then with the suffering of their diseases, to encourage the girls that they too can make it in spite of all these afflictions, in Jesus Name, amen. Thank You Lord!

136. (MARIA: I TELL YOU WHAT, WHEN I SEE I HAVE SOMETHING I MAKE A BIG BEELINE TO THE DOCTOR THE FIRST MINUTE I SEE ANYTHING UNUSUAL.) Yes, that's for sure! We pray immediately of course, but we also go to the doctor to get him to do whatever he can to help clear it up. Some of you girls who go on and on and on without even telling us, and continue to make love with a lot of different men, God knows how many you could contaminate because of your negligence and your lack of concern!

137. THAT'S NOT LOVE!--THAT'S LACK OF LOVE!--TO GO ON GIVING OTHER PEOPLE THE DISEASES that you've caught from others because you don't want to confess you have anything or you don't want to stop making love!--That's selfishness! That's not unselfishness, that's not love when you don't report it and you don't go for treatment and you're not willing to hold off until you're cured.

138. (MARIA: SOME OF YOU CAN'T EVEN REFRAIN UNTIL YOU CAN SEE THE DOCTOR! Some think until the doctor diagnoses them and tells them they do have something, they act like they don't have anything. Even if they see the symptoms,

they go on until they can get to the doctor. I tell you, when I see anything I don't do anything with anybody until I can get my appointment and get to him.) Amen, not even with me!

139. SO IF YOU HAVE ANY KIND OF UNUSUAL SYMPTOMS, an extraordinary variation in your period, any kind of bleeding or discharge that's not normal, any vaginal itch or irritation or blisters or sores or soreness, anything which is not normal and comfortable, if you have anything at all that is at all questionable whatsoever, stop all lovemaking immediately and go straight to the doctor as fast as you can and get diagnosed and treated--and pray!--Amen?

140. FOR GOD'S SAKE, IF YOU REALLY LOVE THESE MEN DON'T HURT THEM! In Jesus Name, Amen? (Maria: It's very normal and you don't have to be embarrassed to go to the doctor, because that's what he's there for and he treats hundreds of cases all the time like you--thousands!) He said 50 to 60-percent of the people here have some kind of sexual trouble or genital trouble, some kind of disease or irritation or itch at some time or other--50 to 60-percent--over half the people here!

141. SO DON'T BE HESITANT TO CONFESS THAT YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING, because it's almost normal to get something. Even the doctor said he'd had something along this line too. And it doesn't have to be anything necessarily serious or extreme or one of the worst, as there are all kinds of sexually transmitted diseases and irritations and little growths and fungi and whatnot.

142. IT'S NOT NECESSARILY ANY-

THING EXTREMELY SERIOUS UNLESS YOU LET IT GO TOO LONG. But then it can be serious! You must report it immediately if you have any kind of questionable symptoms whatsoever, and go immediately to the doctor for diagnosis and treatment, and obey the doctor. Take the series of pills or suppositories or whatever it is and do it diligently and faithfully, and go back for your final check-up before you do anymore lovemaking whatsoever. Now that's an order, in Jesus Name! Obey His commandments! Amen?

143. (MARIA: AND IF YOU CAN'T PUT THE SUPPOSITORIES IN YOURSELF, GET SOMEBODY TO DO IT FOR YOU.--HA!) Yes, I had to do it for quite a while for Maria before she finally learned how the first time last night. She finally got the victory and did it herself. The first time she ever tried a tampon I was trying to do it for her and she fainted!--Ha! It's a phobia of some women.

144. IT'S NOT ALL THAT HARD TO DO. You boys, you mates, can shove it in with your finger if she hasn't got the guts. Just gently and slowly push it in, praise God. Just work it in even if you have to grease it up with Vaseline a little bit to slide it in a little easier, fine. But get it in as far as you can push it, praise God.

145. AND DON'T FORGET TO TAKE THOSE PILLS FAITHFULLY exactly the way the doctor prescribes, amen? And don't do anything else --don't make any more love until you've gone back to the doctor and been cleared. If he doesn't clear you, why then keep on being treated until you are.



146. AND KEEP ON PRAYING BECAUSE ONLY GOD CAN REALLY HEAL YOU! The doctor's pills, suppositories and so on are almost like an internal washing, an internal purification, an internal bath. But only the Lord can really heal you, so you have to take both. In Jesus Name, amen. (Maria: It's a good verse in Psalms 103:

147. "WHO HEALETH ALL THY DISEASES".)--"And forgiveth all thine iniquities". See, He calls it diseases. So claim Scriptures too, in Jesus Name amen. God bless you all! We love you!

148. KEEP ON LOVING FOR THE LORD, BUT IF YOU HAVE TO DO ANY SUFFERING FOR IT, PLEASE REPORT IT! Christ didn't suffer forever! "Many are the afflictions of the righteous"--a disease is an affliction--"but the Lord delivereth him out of them all!" (Psalms 34:19.)

149. THE LORD IS LETTING US KNOW WHAT IT IS LIKE TO REALLY SUFFER LIKE THE SINNER HIMSELF by laying on us the diseases of his sin that we might know how he suffers and suffer with him and for him, and yet without sin! You girls are doing it in love--it's not your fault. You're not doing it strictly for pleasure, you're not doing it in sin.

150. YOU'RE DOING IT IN LOVE TO SAVE THEM, SO IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, just as it wasn't Jesus' fault--right? But Jesus took on Himself these things in order that we might be saved. He was willing to share our sufferings and our diseases and our sins that we might be saved!

151. IN OTHER WORDS, RIGHT NOW IF THERE'S SICKNESS IN YOUR BODY AS A RESULT OF FF-ING, YOU ARE

INNOCENTLY SUFFERING IN LOVE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR SINS, YOU ARE SUFFERING FOR THEIR SINS, YOU SEE? It's just as clear as anything! We've never seen anything like that before! In other words if you're going to go into an all-out FF ministry, this is the most all-out ministry I ever heard of outside of actually dying as a martyr!

152. THIS IS AS CLOSE TO MARTYRDOM AS YOU CAN COME WITHOUT DYING OR BEING TORTURED or something. That'll probably come some day--you know it will come someday for some people. But we're getting a little sample right now in loving these men and then having to bear the consequences of their sins in our own bodies!

153. NOW THAT IS LOVE! And do you know what Maria then said?--She said, "You know, this is exactly what I told the Doctor yesterday."--Tell them, Honey: That we love them enough we're willing to suffer for them! (Maria: I said, "Everytime I get one of these diseases I am really giving my life for them in love for the people.--That's what we're doing, we're laying down our lives!")

154. THAT IS REALLY LAYING DOWN YOUR LIFE, THAT IS REAL CRUCIFIXION! I remember the times when David's enemies said, "Aha, he hath an evil disease, a loathsome evil disease has been laid upon him!"--They accused him that God was judging him for his sins, when actually he was vicariously suffering the same diseases and afflictions symbolic of the sufferings of Christ in the future, as was so much of what David suffered. So much of

what he says by the Spirit puts words in Christ's mouth, the Holy Spirit speaking through David of the sufferings of Christ.

155. SO THAT'S WHAT I GOT. Well, thank God He didn't have to go on and on suffering! "He will not leave my soul in Hell nor let my body suffer corruption." (Ps. 16:10.) Thank You Lord! The key words were:

156. "HE BORE OUR DISEASES". In other words the Lord was rebuking me: You've been bragging about how you're suffering like Christ and being crucified in order to love and save these men, but now you're griping about merely having to bear their diseases!--But that's what you're doing!

157. SOME PEOPLE ARE PRETTY HARD TO SAVE--I MEAN YOU REALLY RISK YOUR LIFE AND DISEASE TO SAVE THEM! Well, even the world does this!--Doctors do it, scientists do it! They risk their lives and disease and everything to experiment with these things trying to save people's bodies! We're trying to save their souls! How much more we should be willing to risk our lives and disease in order to save them!

158. WHAT GOD WAS DOING WAS REBUKING ME. I was saying it's not worth it, it's too high a price, the cost is too great, and He was telling me, "Well, I was willing to do it for you, I was willing to suffer your diseases." So if we are to be like Christ, partakers of His sufferings, then we are going to have to risk their diseases to save them, to love them enough to save them.

159. SO I THANK THE LORD, I KNOW THAT ANSWER WAS FROM THE

LORD, IT WAS SO MIRACULOUS AND IT WAS SO SPECIFIC! In other words the Lord was translating it literally, "He bore our diseases". I said, "I know there's a Scripture like that--my mother used to quote the one about how He bore our sins in His own body on the tree.--But she used to use those Scriptures for healing! And I remember she used to translate that sometimes that He bore our sicknesses. But she got it from Matthew 8:17: "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses."

160. NOW THAT MEANS THAT CHRIST DIED FOR THE UNGODLY, RIGHT? THEREFORE WE SHOULD BE WILLING TO LAY DOWN OUR LIVES FOR THE BRETHREN! Now we've used all these verses before, and they're all all-encompassing, and yet we still didn't really get the point we were going to have to suffer that much, to lay down our lives for our friends.

161. "NO GREATER LOVE HATH ANY MAN THAN THIS, THAN TO LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS". (John 15:13.) That includes possibly even catching his diseases! "We therefore should be willing to lay down our lives for the brethren". (I Jn.3:16.) That means willing even to catch their diseases to save them!

162. DOCTORS DO IT, RIGHT?-- TO TRY TO MERELY SAVE PEOPLE'S BODIES. I was just reading in the paper where one doctor's been working on this new strange green monkey disease that has sprung up in Africa, a very deadly disease that's wiped out whole populations there, and some doctor working with the virus in London got it.

163. THIS IS A DANGEROUS MINISTRY--IT'S A DIFFICULT MINISTRY, AND WE ARE CONSTANTLY IN DANGER OF ALL KINDS, not only enemies but disease. Jesus did it for us, therefore aren't we supposed to be willing to suffer like Christ did? Well, He even bore our diseases! Not forever, thank the Lord, but it must be that some time in His life or on the cross or when He was in the grave or whenever.

164. HE KNEW WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO BE SICK--and certainly not because of any sin of His, but for our sakes. He had to suffer all those things to know how we feel and to sympathise with us and to vicariously bear our diseases for us.

165. WHEW! BOY, THAT IS I MUST SAY ONE OF THE MOST SHOCKING ANSWERS I THINK I EVER GOT, and it's amazing that we never saw it before! It's there right in front of your face as plain as day! It's in all the Scriptures all the way through, but I never heard any preacher interpret it that way! I never heard any churches ever make it that plain, that you might even have to suffer their diseases to save them!

166. WELL, THE MISSIONARIES HAVE DONE IT OF COURSE LOTS OF TIMES, THE MISSIONARIES WHO WENT AND WORKED IN THE LEPER COLONIES AND SO ON and got leprosy and whatnot. Well, what's the difference? You're working with "lepers", and to try to save them you're apt to catch it too--and you are! Apparently we had to go through this for me to get desperate enough to get some answer from God, because I was about to quit and give up.

167. THE LORD LET IT HAPPEN TO HELP ALL OF YOU REALISE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO RISK YOUR BODIES TO SAVE THEIR SOULS! You knew that already and I've already hinted at it several times and suggested specifically in one Letter that you just have to pray that you don't catch something, a germ or a sperm!

168. WE'VE THOUGHT MORE AND TALKED MORE ABOUT POSSIBLY GETTING PREGNANT, and yet we have thought about that as being a blessing of God, to bare their children. We know that's of God, children are of the Lord, so that's no great curse or anything, and we don't feel that's any curse, but a blessing.

169. BUT YOU THINK OF DISEASE AS A CURSE, as a punishment. Well it is, it is a curse, it is a punishment, but we are not to blame. It's not because of our sins, it is because of their sins. We are sharing, partaking and bearing their curse and their punishment like Jesus did in order that they might be saved. Think of it! (Family Member: Now I understand the verse that I've been getting: "Neither hath this man sinned nor his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest". That's heavy! I didn't understand that at all.--John 9:3.) Amen, exactly! "He bore our diseases".

170. SO IF HE LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR US, THEREFORE WE HAVE TO LAY DOWN OUR LIVES FOR THE BRETHREN! That's what you're doing. Everytime you go to bed with one of those guys you are laying down your life for him! And I paraphrased for you fellows, "No greater love hath any man than

this, that a man lay down his wife for his friends"!--That's certainly true too! It's hard for some people.

171. SOME OF YOU JEALOUS MEN WOULD RATHER LAY DOWN YOUR LIVES THAN YOUR WIVES! I mean you are laying down your lives for those men! This is no lark, this is not some kind of a spre! I mean it is hard work! You are at the battle front face-to-face with the Enemy every night, and a lot of enemies too, guys that stand there and look at us critically and glaring and glowering, who hate us and who go and talk about us to our friends and can't understand why our friends love us.

172. BUT WE'RE FACE TO FACE WITH THE ENEMY in more ways than one. We are spiritually face to face with the Enemy and it's a battle with spirits in heavenly places in the spirit world. It's a battle even to the laying down of our lives for the brethren, even to the point of sharing and bearing their diseases because of love for them!

173. EVERYTIME YOU'VE GONE TO BED WITH SOME MAN YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAVE RISKED YOUR OWN BODY, YOUR OWN LIFE FOR LOVE AND TO SAVE THEIR SOUL, RIGHT? That's what you've done!--Not just pregnancy--that's a blessing of God! But it just seemed to me like that's too much to risk disease. But we knew we were risking disease, but we thought, "Well Lord, You'll surely save us from it, surely You won't let us catch anything."

174. MARIA WENT THROUGH THAT WHOLE STRETCH BEFORE AND GOT NO-THING! I think the Lord made it

especially easy on us then, because if we had been tested too heavily then in the beginning it would have been too heavy--we couldn't have borne it. (Maria: It was hard enough!)

175. PIONEERING FF-ING THEN WAS DIFFICULT ENOUGH AS IT WAS and hard enough on me without her also coming down sick! I even took the pregnancy OK--that I knew was a blessing of God, I knew it was the Lord.

176. BUT IF SHE'D GOTTEN SICK THEN WITH SOME DISEASE, I DON'T KNOW IF I COULD HAVE TAKEN IT THEN. I think I'd have called the whole thing off there and then and never would have publicised it at all. I think I'd've said, "No, it's not for us! It's bad, it's too much, too risky, too dangerous, too big a price to pay!"

177. BUT "HE BORE OUR DISEASES"! He bore our diseases, think of it! So in many ways many missionaries and people who work in these clinics and what-not risk disease to save lives.

178. MISSIONARIES RISK DISEASE TO SAVE SOULS.--And what's the difference? They go down to those hell holes in Africa where diseases of all kinds, heard-of and unheard-of, are rampant, and never know what they're going to catch from the water or from flies or the mosquitos or what-not! They risk disease and their lives to save souls!

179. YOU'RE DOING THE SAME THING! You may or may not get it, but some of us have. Well, that's one of the hazards of this occupation, but is it worth it?

180. DO YOU THINK THE RESULTS



ARE WORTH THE PRICE YOU PAY? God bless you girls, you are marvelous, you are wonderful! I have never seen anything like it! I see you girls down there, and then I see you go off with those guys at night and I think,

181. "OH MY GOD, THERE GOES MY LITTLE LAMB, LORD! Only You know whether he's a wolf that's devouring my lamb or whether he's a sheep that's going to respond to her love!"--They carry you off and it breaks my heart everytime! I try to be bold and cheerful and I try to put up a good bold front for you so that you'll feel good and I don't want to send you away with me crying, but my heart goes with you!

182. MARIA KNOWS I STAY UP AND I PRAY AND I PRAY FOR YOU and I can't sleep until you come home, until I know you're home safe and sound. Thank You Jesus! That must be the way the Lord prays for us when we go through it, through these trials and the sufferings for others.

183. SO THERE'S NOTHING YOU'RE GOING THROUGH BUT WHAT JESUS HAS GONE THROUGH ALREADY. I already told you that the Lord showed me that the Lord had sex with Mary and Martha and probably Mary Magdalene the harlot! Who knows but what maybe He caught something from her? When I got this answer, Maria said,

184. "WELL YOU KNOW, MAYBE HE CAUGHT SOMETHING FROM THOSE WOMEN, SO HE KNOWS WHAT IT'S LIKE, because they needed His love and He ministered to them just like you're ministering to us. Who knows but what He caught something and suffered it? It's possible! It says so: "He bare our

sicknesses"!--Jesus, in Matthew 8:17, I'll never forget that verse!

185. "HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND BARE OUR SICKNESSES", OR OUR DISEASES! See, in this case the Lord made it so specific when He translated it for me. Just sicknesses could have been a lot of other things, but not some evil disease. Lord, my God! Disease sounds so much worse! Disease! Disease!

186. VENEREAL DISEASE! OOOH! GIVES YOU THE SHIVERS WHEN YOU HEAR THOSE WORDS!--Venereal disease! I mean you've been scared out of your wits by all kinds of horror stories all your life about venereal diseases, right? I mean some of the most horrible tales I ever heard were about venereal diseases! I read all these books when I was a kid and they were trying to scare you half to death about venereal diseases!

187. WELL, THEY CAN BE BAD, BUT I DON'T THINK THE LORD'S GOING TO LET US SUFFER MORE THAN WE'RE ABLE TO BEAR. Thank God they've got doctors and medicine today that are apparently effective against these things!--If we are faithful to report it immediately before it gets too serious, and get immediate treatment. We wash the outsides of our bodies, and these medicines are just like washing the insides, to purge and cleanse your whole body.

188. SO WE NEED TO ASK THE LORD TO HELP US TO BE FAITHFUL AND NOT BE ASHAMED. Why should we be ashamed we've caught something? We didn't do it for our sakes, we did it for their

sakes! That's the risk we're running to save them. It almost ought to be an honour to report, "Well, I've caught something--I'm suffering for love!"

189. MARIA: I GO TO THE DOCTOR EVERY TWO WEEKS FOR A CHECKUP AND SAY, "HELLO, DOCTOR!") He marvels at her, "Why do you do this?--How can you do it? (Maria: He said, "You guys are wonderful!" Here I just told him I had something more, and he sits there and says, "You're wonderful!") First of all he said,

190. "WHY DO YOU DO IT?" Why do you do it?--Tell them what you said! (Maria: Well, he started off by saying, "Do you really like to make love?--And I said, "Of course!" He said, "Do you really really like it?" And I said, "Yes, I love it!"--And then I started catching on!)

191. HE WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY WE DO IT! (Maria: The Lord showed me that what he was trying to get at was, "Is it just because you're a sex maniac that just wants to grab onto any man?" But the Lord started showing me what he was trying to get at.

192. SO I SAID, "THE REASON I LIKE IT SO MUCH IS BECAUSE IT MAKES OTHER PEOPLE HAPPY!"--And he said, "Ooh! I thought so!"--Like, "I never did think you were like that." He said, "I thought so!"--And he was really impressed! He said, "That really clears things up!" So I explained more of why we do it.)

193. IT FINALLY DAWNED ON HIM THAT WE WERE REALLY DOING IT FOR THEIR SAKE, NOT OURS, SO HE GOT THE POINT THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY RISKING OUR LIVES FOR THEIR

SAKE. (Maria: It was a wonderful opportunity to witness to him.) What a testimony! (Maria: I said our mission in life is to make other people happy.) Well, that's the answer! I just didn't see how it could be of the Lord, but if the Lord Himself did it and suffered for us, who are we to complain about having to suffer to save them! Praise the Lord?

194. HE DID IT FOR US! Amen, thank You Lord! Amen Lord, bless them Jesus, bless them Lord in this dangerous difficult ministry in which they're literally risking their lives and their bodies for love to save these souls!

195. THANK YOU FOR THE MARVELOUS CROP YOU'VE ALREADY REAPED, LORD--MARVELLOUS! What we have sowed, Lord, that we have also reaped! We sowed love and we're reaping love. So Lord we ask Thee in Jesus name to bless and keep them and also deliver us, Lord, from these things. Even if we catch them sometimes, You can still deliver us and heal us, in Jesus Name, for their sake, amen.

196. GIVE THE GIRLS THE FAITH AND THE COURAGE. Thank You Lord that You comforted me and You didn't let me stop! Amen! Praise the Lord! It's amazing how many times you can see these verses all your life but not understand until the Holy Spirit shows it to you! Thank You Lord!

197. OH GOD BLESS YOU, HONEY! YOU SURE HAVE BEEN DYING A LOT LATELY, YOUNG LADY! BLESS YOUR HEART! Well now, we men are going to have to die too, because we can't enjoy you while you're sick! So we're going to suffer

with you and we've got to take the medicine too! Amen? So God bless and keep us all--and con-

tinue to make us a blessing to many!--Even at the risk of afflictions!

