

Work.

FIGHT FOR YOUR HEALING!

12. The Lord's healing is there just as much as it always was & it always is, but the Enemy is really fighting us very hard, fighting against the Lord's healing. Remember that Letter "Difficulty in Spiritual Communications"? (#1846) Dad said he's going to come back & help us, but there's that hindrance there, that force, the Enemy fighting. The Lord said it & we believe it, but we're going to have to fight for our healing! It's there, & it's not that the Lord won't do it, He wants to do it & He's going to do it, but we've got to get over that barrier & really fight the battle in the Spirit & not just be lethargic!

13. It's not enough just to claim & quote the Scriptures! Grandpa said to quote the Scriptures & claim the Scriptures, but he also said you've got to do more than that. He said fight! Resist! Rebuke the Enemy! So that's a big part of our healing. He said all this before. This isn't anything new, but the more I think about it the more I see that in some cases just believing is not enough. Sometimes it's enough, like with little tiny things that don't bother us much, we just claim a verse & thank the Lord, & that's enough. But in some of these difficult cases & big cases, we've got to really fight the Enemy! Jesus made a difference in cases when He said, "This kind cometh not out but by fasting & prayer."—Mat.17:21. In other words, some required more effort than others.

14. Sometimes it's a big spiritual attack!—I'll just take my own eyes for example: I have a very important job & there are some things I have to do that nobody else can do, so if I don't have my eyes those jobs just don't get done.

15. So it's a real attack of the Enemy & we have to rebuke it, not just go to bed! In "The Power of Positive Praise" (#1375) I came to the conclusion that going to bed wasn't going to help my headache. If it is a spiritual battle, just going to bed isn't the cure, even though there are times when if you have a headache from tiredness or overdoing, going to bed is probably part of what you need & it'll help. But if it's a real attack of the Enemy, no

matter what you do it isn't going to get you the complete victory unless you really fight the Enemy & rebuke the Devil & get the victory over him! Sometimes taking an aspirin may help my headache temporarily, but to get a real lasting victory over headaches I need to really pray & rebuke the Enemy & claim the Lord's victory!

DON'T BE LAZY!—STIR YOURSELF UP!

16. We can't be lethargic & lazy! That's my tendency! It's a natural tendency to be lazy & lethargic & to do sort of the minimum that you have to do. I dare say that most of us are like that, it's sort of human nature.—But not everybody is like that! I'd say Dad is far from that way & there are a lot of other people that aren't. But the majority of us usually take the easy way out & we are normally a little lazy & lethargic & we don't want to get into too many fights, it's too much of a problem, it takes too much out of us. So we just sort of sit back & say a little prayer & let things go on until they get so desperate that we've gotta fight & there's nothing else to do!

17. Like Dad said, every swallow for him is a fight! He's got to fight constantly! You have to fight constantly with the Word! It's not enough to just read the promises over & say, "Okay, Lord, I know I can be healed. Look, everybody else has been healed, & of course You're going to heal me. I ask forgiveness for my sins & I know I'm going to be healed." Do you understand the difference? In a way that's fighting, you're claiming the Scriptures, that's what you're supposed to do, that's one part of it, but that's not enough to win the battle! You've got to really be militant about it & aggressive & really sock it to the Enemy!

18. Tell the Enemy, "The Lord healeth all our diseases" (Psa.103:3), but you are the culprit & you get out of here! I don't want anything more to do with you & I resist you, Satan, in Jesus' name!" It's not enough just to look at the verses on healing & quote them, "Who healeth all our diseases, lay hands on the sick & they shall be healed, by His stripes we are healed"—fine, we are, that's true—but we've got to also on the other hand