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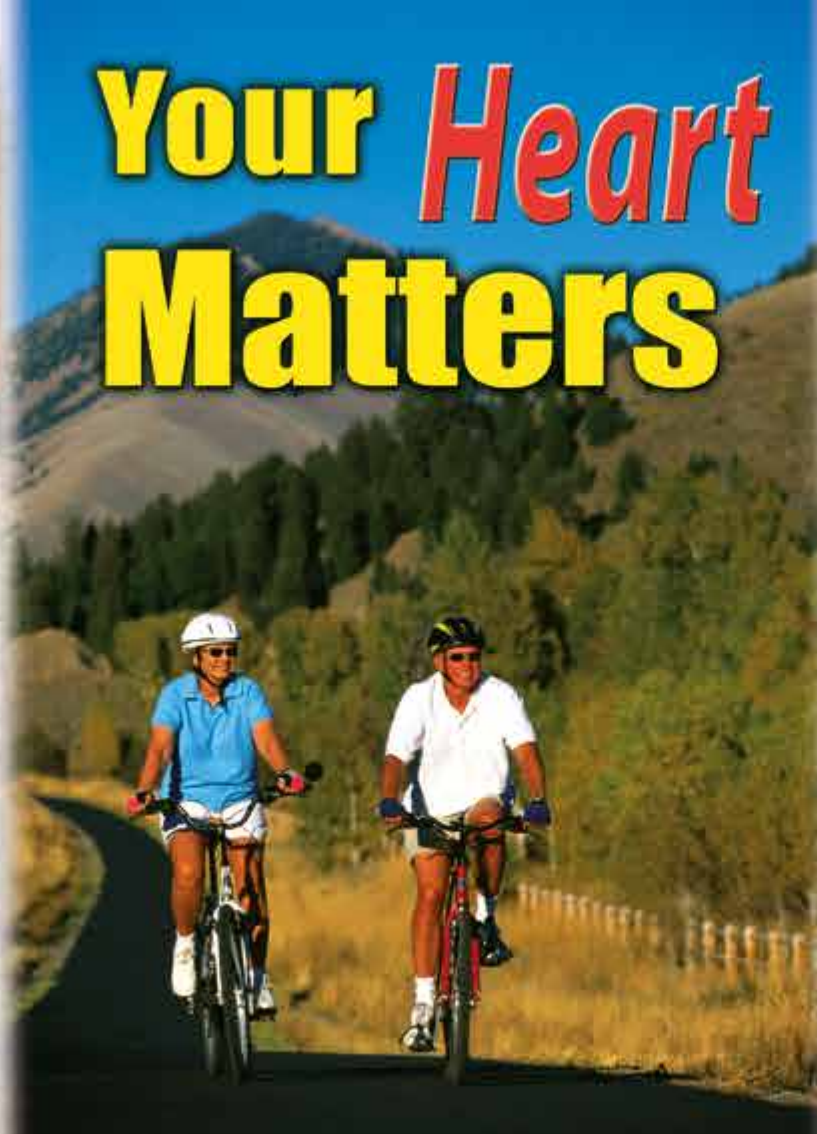
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Your *Heart* Matters



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*Heart disease remains a major killer
in the Western World today.*

*Thankfully, much can be
done to reduce the risks
if we're ready to act upon
medical advice.*

*There is however a form
of heart disease which will
never respond to changes
in our diet, exercise
pattern or lifestyle.*

*It's been said that,
'the heart of the human
problem is the problem of
the human heart', and to
this form of disease,
no-one is immune...*

Recognising the Symptoms

The development of particular symptoms is Nature's way of telling us that all is not well. Therefore, we don't need to look very far to realise that there's something seriously wrong with us all...

*...sexual immorality,
impurity... hatred...
jealousy, fits
of rage, selfish
ambition... envy;
drunkenness...*

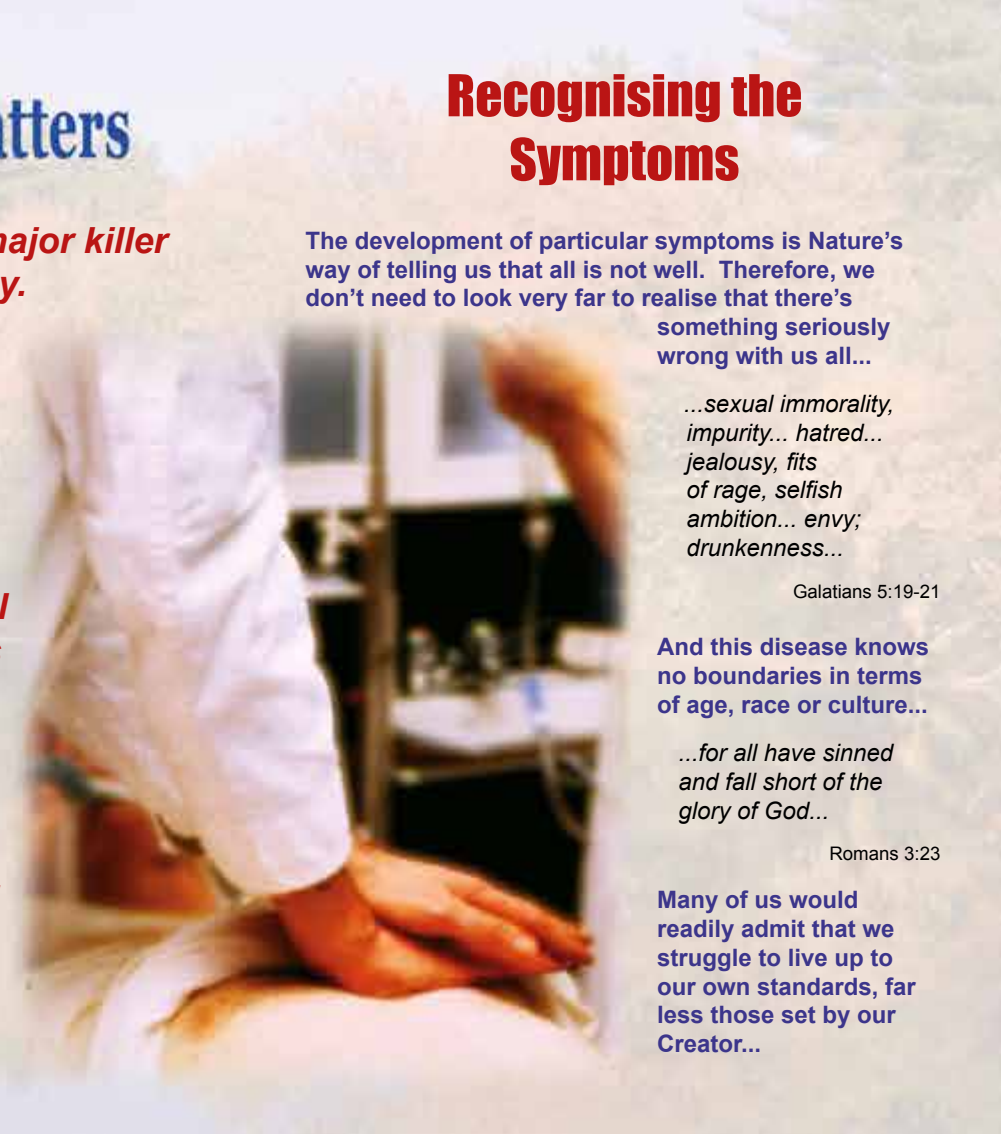
Galatians 5:19-21

And this disease knows
no boundaries in terms
of age, race or culture...

*...for all have sinned
and fall short of the
glory of God...*

Romans 3:23

Many of us would
readily admit that we
struggle to live up to
our own standards, far
less those set by our
Creator...



The Diagnosis

We may think we're better than most, and certainly not so bad as some. We may be able to kid our friends, our family and even ourselves, but this is just misguided deception...

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:8

We'll certainly never deceive the One whose judgement matters more than any other...

People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.

1 Samuel 16:7

...and with deadly 'after-effects'...

...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment...

Hebrews 9:27

Thankfully, the perfect remedy has been provided for us...



Treatment Plan

Sometimes described as 'The Great Physician', God hasn't simply prescribed a course of treatment, He Himself has become 'the cure'... by sending His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to take the 'medicine' we deserve...

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.

1 Peter 3:18

But these 'benefits' aren't forced upon us... we must WANT to recover... regaining the right relationship with Him which was planned from the start.

But in response to all that was accomplished for us on that wooden Cross of Calvary we must be ready to accept His help in turning away from all we know to be wrong...

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness...

1 Peter 2:24

...and by asking the risen Lord Jesus into our lives by His Spirit, we not only receive forgiveness, but a new start altogether...

...if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17



Intensive Care

Nowadays, some forms of health care can prove very expensive, but Christ Jesus expects a far greater cost from those of us who would be His true followers...

Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?

Luke 9:23-25

...and yet He also promises a form of intensive care beyond all other...

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5



The Prognosis

The effects of this 'treatment' have never been known to fail, and the outcome is nothing short of eternal life expectancy...

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

True followers are not even lost to death...

I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die.

John 11:25

Life and Death

So this is the challenge facing each one of us today...

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already...

John 3:18

The risks of simply 'hoping for the best', are surely unthinkable...

...how shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation?

Hebrews 2:3