Who’s involved in healing?

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Many people feel that a Christian counselor is all that is needed to help a person heal from their past. Perhaps we need to expand our view of the different categories of people that can have an effective part in the healing process. These include:

• A counselor helps the person uncover memories that are key to their emotional/spiritual healing

• A pastor who understands warfare leads the person to spiritual freedom

• A Bible teacher helps the person see dominate lies or distortions about God that have retarded their spiritual growth

• A friend may model how to trust God

• Others may teach them practical skills to access the powerful truth of the Word for themselves (so they can gain strength to endure, to wait, to fight hopelessness)

• Others help them learn to live normally

• And of course, it must be remembered that it is God who restores their soul!

[See also: Helping the wounded in the Context of a Community]