

# **DEMONIC MANIPULATION**

**(The Enemy behind the Scene)**

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## **DEDICATION**

I dedicate this book to First of all God almighty, my wife and my children not forgetting members of Turning Point Ministries International and Members of Wind of Deliverance , you have inspired me to believe that I was capable of authoring this particular book.

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## **PREFACE**

Sometimes, we are confused because we do not know the word of God! What you do not know, you cannot understand and what you cannot understand, you cannot experience. What you cannot experience, you cannot establish! A servant is not greater than his master! The person speaking in our anchor scripture is not Elijah, not Moses, not Peter, definitely not Paul, but Jesus, the word of God, God himself! The people had brought to him a man possessed with demons, the blind and dumb and he cast out the demons and healed them, and the people were amazed. They were amazed, judging from the lowly background of Jesus. They were perplexed that the son of the carpenter could perform such feats. Hear me: the things of the spirit are not subject to race, age, background or status. Over 90 per cent of preachers are being persecuted when they operate in the miraculous because there are some fathers of the faith who would rather have preferred to be the ones to work such miracles. They wonder why God must have bypassed them for the new generation; they dread fresh oil and replicate the episode between the old prophet and the young prophet in 1 KINGS 13: 4-24.

One of the greatest problems we have in the Christendom are people who do not believe that God can use anyone to deliver souls. The Pharisees accused Jesus of using the power of Beelzebub to cast out demons. It is a great insult

to accuse Jesus of collecting power from the Lord of the Flies. You can war against demonic powers, but you cannot war against the one that gave you the power to cast out demons- a kingdom divided against itself can never stand. You can fake anything in the five-fold ministry, but you cannot fake the deliverance ministry. Jesus had to put up a spirited defence of the deliverance ministry in his response, not just to the Pharisees but to keep the people he had won. You cannot use the power of Beelzebub to cast out Beelzebub. Can Satan cast out Satan? It is not the people that spoke but the demon inside of them that spoke so as to manipulate the people. If they could do that to Jesus how much more you? You cannot enter a strong man's house to spoil him unless you first bind him. We have preachers who want to enter the strong man's house but lack the power to bind them. When such preachers speak, nothing happens; they are paper tigers and toothless lions! In the realm of the spirit, there is hierarchy! David conquered Goliath because he was a spiritual giant, a General indeed; while Goliath was just a midget, a common private soldier spiritually speaking!

## **INTRODUCTION**

What is demonic manipulation? Demonic manipulation is a demonic enticement to do things you would not ordinarily do. Demonic manipulation can also be defined as: the capture of one's reasoning ability, forcing it to conform to the wishes of the manipulator. In other words, if somebody wanted you to reason in a particular way, he could put a spell on you, thereby manipulating your reasoning ability in order to achieve his goal. The problem with demonic manipulation is that when the enemy makes you want something, you will want it so desperately that all other considerations become secondary. Demonic manipulation can also be defined as a spell that cannot be seen, felt or touched, yet it is something you act on. It sometimes will make you look away from that which is good and reasonable, while desiring that which is harmful and unreasonable.

## **Chapter One**

### **THE EXISTENCE OF DEMONS**

Every writer of the New Testament mentions demons. Secondly Jesus taught that demons really do exist. (Matthew 7:22; 10:8; 12:27-28) Not only did He talk about them, but He also cast them out. (Mark 1:39; 5:1-20; Luke 4:35), thirdly The disciples also recognized their existence. (Matthew 10:1; Luke 10:17).

The Old Testament Names 1.) They are called the evil angels. (Psalm 78:49) They are messengers of Satan, who is called “the Evil One.” 2.) Demons were once called the sons of God. (Genesis 6:2, 4) Whenever this phrase is used in the Old Testament, it always refers to angels. 3.) Another name for demons is shedim, a Hebrew word that means “to rule” or “to be lord.” (Deuteronomy 32:17; Psalm 106:37) It emphasizes a demon’s desire to be lord over a person either by indwelling him or by controlling him from the outside. 4.) Another Old Testament name is seirim, which refers to demons who have the form of a goat. Demons have animal-like features. Satanic groups often use the symbol of the head of a goat. (Leviticus 17:7; 2 Chronicles 11:15; Isaiah 13:21)

5.) Another name is lilit that refers to a night demon or “demons of the night.” (Isa. 34:14) 6.) Another demon name is evil spirit. (1 Samuel 16:14-16, 23-24; 18:10) 7.) Demons are also called lying spirits. (1 Kings 22:21-23) They are liars. 8.) Demons are also referred to as familiar spirits. (Deuteronomy 18:11; Isaiah 8:19; 19:3) This term is used of demons who are involved with witches,



spiritualists, wizards, and mediums. 9.) The name “gad,” which means “fortune” is also used of demons. (Isaiah 65:11)

10.) Another name is “meni” which means “fate.” (Isaiah 65:11) 11.) Another name is “elilim” which refers to demons of idolatry. (Psalm 96:5) 12.) Another name is

“ketev” which means “destruction.” (Psalm 91:6)

B.) New Testament Names for Demons 1.) Names that contain the Greek root for “demon,” which means “intelligence.” There are six different forms: a.) Daimon (Matthew 8:31) which means “evil power.” b.) Daimonion (Luke 4:33) is the most basic word for demon, used 63 times. c.) Daimoniodes (James 3:15) means “demoniacal.” d.) Daimonizomai (Matt. 4:24) meaning “to be controlled by a demon from within.”

e.) Deisidaimonesteros (Acts 17:22) meaning “to be very reverent to demons.” f.) Deisdamonis (Acts 25:19) meaning “demon worship.” 2.) Names that contain the word “spirit.”

a.) “Evil spirit” (Luke 7:21; Acts 19:12-16)

b.) “unclean spirit” (Matthew 10:1; 12:43)

c.) “wicked spirit” (Luke 11:26)

d.) “seducing spirit” (1 Timothy 4:1) e.) “spirits of

demons” (Revelation 16:14) 3.) Demons are also referred to as “angels.” (Matthew 25:41; Revelation 12:7-9) They are Satan’s angels. 4.) Another category of names used for

demons is destruction. (Revelation 9:11) This is the name of the demon of the abyss. His Hebrew name is Abaddon, and his Greek name is Apollyon. Both names mean “destruction.”

## **Chapter two**

### **PERSONALITY & ORIGIN OF DEMONS**

Demons have the three attributes of personality, proving they are actual beings and not just emanations or powers.

1.) Demons have intellect. (Mark 1:24 Matthew 8:28-29; James 2:19)

2.) Demons have emotion. (Matthew 8:28-29; James 2:19)

3.) Demons have a will. (Matthew 8:31; Luke 8:32; Mark 1:27) B.) Demons also have a personality as seen in the personal pronouns that are used. They are never referred to as an “it.” (Mark 5:6-13; Luke 8:28-30)

The Origin of Free Demons 1.) Demons and fallen angels are one and the same. This can be seen in five ways:

a.) They have the same relationship to Satan. Satan is called the “prince of demons.” (Matthew 12:24) Demons are referred to as the Devil’s angels. (Matthew 25:41) Demons are also called Satan’s angels. (Revelation 12:7-9)

b.) They have the same essence of being. Both are spirit beings.

c.) Demons and fallen angels conduct the same activities towards men and God. (Revelation 9:1-11, 13-21) d.) The

both share the same abode. ( Ephesians 2:2; 6:12) e.) All

biblical texts mention either demons or fallen angels, but never both in the same text. 2.) Ezekiel 28:11-19 describes

the fall of Satan. He convinced some of the angels to follow him in his desire to be like God. (Isaiah 14:12-14) There

were three results of the fall of angels: first, they lost their original holiness; secondly, they became corrupt in nature

and conduct; and thirdly, these angels became demons of Satan.

“Again the word of the Lord came to me saying, 12 “Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, „Thus says the Lord God, “You had the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 “You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The ruby, the topaz and the diamond; The beryl, the onyx and the jasper; The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald; And the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets, Was in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared. 14 “You were the anointed cherub who covers, and I placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God; you walked in the midst of the stones of fire. 15 “You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until unrighteousness was found in you. 16 “By the abundance of your trade you were internally filled with violence, and you sinned; therefore I have cast you as profane from the mountain of God. And I have destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. 17 “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor. I cast you to the ground; I put you before kings, that they may see you. 18 “By the multitude of your iniquities, in the unrighteousness of your trade You profaned your sanctuaries. Therefore I have brought fire from the midst of you; it has consumed you, and I have turned you to ashes on the earth In the eyes of all who see you. 19 “All who know you among the peoples are

appalled at you; you have become terrified and you will cease to be forever.” Ezekiel 28:11-19

B.) The Origin of Confined Demons There is two categories of these demons: 1.) There are temporarily confined demons. Some demons are confined for a while after being cast out of a person. In Luke 8:31 the demon, Legion, did not wish to be sent into the place of confinement and asked to be allowed to go into the pigs instead. Others are confined right now, but in the future will be released for specific judgments in the Tribulation Period. (Revelation 9:1-11) These demons will be released to torment men for five months. And again in Revelation 9:13-21 we see 200 million demons released for the purpose of killing one-third of the world’s population. The place of temporary confinement for these demons is the 2.) There are permanently confined demons. These demons are presently confined and will never be released, but will move directly into the Lake of Fire. There are three passages that deal with these confined demons: a.) Genesis 6:1-4 1.) In verse one we see the multiplication of humanity. The Hebrew word for “man” is generic and refers to humanity, both male and female. It is not limited to the sons of Cain. The word “daughters” refers to females. 2.) In verse two the intermarriage is described. • Throughout the Old Testament the term, “sons of God” always refers to angels, (Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7) There is no reason to make an exception with Genesis 6:2. Abyss.

In the New Testament the term is expanded to include Adam (Luke 3:38) and believers (John 1:12) because we

are new creations. (Galatians 6:15) •The term “daughters of men” is a generic term for women, not just daughters of Seth. It simply means “womankind.” The context clearly speaks of a cohabitation that is unusual and unnatural (as between angels and human women) and causes the worldwide flood. Matthew 22:30 is often used to refute the angel intermarrying interpretation, but it speaks of the good/holy angels in heaven. It also makes the statement that humans in heaven do not marry, but we certainly do on this earth. Another argument is that angels are sexless. Actually, angels are never said to be that way. In fact, they are always referred to in the masculine gender and are given male names. Whenever they appear they always appear as young men. (Gen. 18:1-19:22; Mark 16:5-7; Luke 24:4-7; Acts 1:10-11) Angels intermarrying with women was a satanic attempt to nullify the messianic prophecy of Genesis 3:15 in which the Seed of the woman would crush the head of Satan. 3.) The Result of the Intermarriage: Genesis 6:3 God pronounced judgment which would come 120 years later. The flood would destroy the product of the union of angels and women.

4.) The Product of the Intermarriage: Genesis 6:4 □ The word Nephilim has been translated “giant” but the Hebrew word does not mean giant; it means “fallen ones.” In the Septuagint, the Greek translation of the O.T. done about 250 B.C., the Jewish scholars translated verse 4 by the Greek word gigantes, which means “Titan.” Our English word “giant” comes from this Greek word, gigantes. But the Titans in Greek mythology were part-

human and part-god, because they were the product of gods and men. The Jewish scholars correctly viewed it as a union of angels and human. Their offspring were gigantic, super human, not in size, but mentally and physically stronger. Greek and Roman mythologies were derived from the events of Genesis 6:1-4 and were corrupted in their view. • In verse four the original word, Giborim, is translated as the mighty men...the men of renown. This word is used to describe the offspring of the union of angels and human women. There is no mention of any mighty women which would have been the case if this had been a normal human marriage. • This was a peculiar sin that God hated and it explains why only some of the fallen angels are permanently confined, otherwise all fallen angels would be permanently confined.

b.) 2 Peter 2:4-5 “For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, (Tartarus) and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;” • Verse four gives the location of the permanently confined demons. The Greek word translated hell is Tartarus. Tartarus is a section of Sheol or Hades where the demons are permanently held. The abyss is for the temporarily confined demons and Tartarus for the permanent. They will go directly before the Great White Throne for judgment and then directly to the Lake of Fire for all eternity. Verse five gives the timing of their confinement, which was in conjunction with the

Flood. This agrees with Genesis 6:1-4. c.) Jude 6-7 “And the angels which kept not their first estate (principality), but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.” • Verse six says they left their own “principality” which is frequently used to describe a rank within the angelic realm. Tartarus

They left their own habitation by entering into the human sphere and by taking the human form of men and intermarrying with human women.

- Verse 7 deals with the nature of their sin. The key phrase is “in like manner” as Sodom and Gomorrah, they went after strange flesh. Strange flesh means sexual union that is unnatural or contrary to nature. In the case of Sodom and Gomorrah the strange flesh was homosexuality. In the case of Genesis 6 the strange flesh was female flesh. They invaded a new state of residence of alien flesh to commit gross sexual immorality. They are both guilty of committing sexual sins.

## **Chapter Three**

### **CHARACTERISTICS OF DEMONS**

The Number of Demons: Mark 5:9, 15 and Luke 8:30 indicate that there is a legion of demons. A legion consisted of anywhere from four thousand to six thousand demons. • Revelation 9:16 mentions two hundred million temporarily confined demons. • Revelation 12:3-4 reveals the number of angels that fell with Satan to be one-third of all the angels; while two-thirds remained loyal to God. • According to Hebrews 12:22-24 the number of angels created was innumerable.

Jude confirms what Peter said. They are permanently confined.

Also see 1 Peter 3:18-20

VI. the Organization of Demons • Fallen angels are as organized as the good/holy angels are, with the same ranks and titles: rule, authority, power; (1 Corinthians 15:24) powers, principalities, & worldrulers; (Ephesians 6:12) Principalities and powers; (Colossians 2:15) prince of Persia (Daniel 10:13) VII. The Characteristics of Demons

A.) Their Nature • Demons are spirit beings. (Matthew 17:18 & Mark 9:25)

- Demons are bodiless. (Matthew 12:43-45; Mark 5:12; Ephesians 6:12)

- Demons have clear shapes and features, which are frequently described as being animal-like or insect-like. (Revelation 9:7-10, 17-19; 16:13-14) • Demons seek to possess men, as their power is to some extent dependent upon this. (Mark 5:1-13; Acts 16:16; 19:16) B.) Their



Power • Demons have the power to control men from within. (Mark 5:1-5; Acts 19:16) • Demons can afflict men. (Revelation 9:1-21) • Demons can perform miracles. (Revelation 16:14)

- Demons can appear visibly. (Revelation 9:7-10, 17-19; 16:13-14) C.) Their Morality

- Demons are called unclean spirits. (Matthew 10:1; Mark 1:23; Luke 4:36)

- Demons are evil spirits. (Luke 7:21) • Demons are fierce and vicious. (Matthew 8:28) • Demons are vile and malicious. (Luke 9:39) • They are characterized by extreme viciousness. (Mark 9:20) • They have a counterfeit system of doctrine. (1 Timothy 4:1-3) • Their immorality leads to further immorality. (Luke 8:27)

- They are described as being part of the darkness controlled by Satan. (Ephesians 6:12) • There are degrees of wickedness even among demons. (Matthew 12:43-45)

## VIII. The Activities of Demons

A.) Four categories of Demonic Activities 1.) From Genesis until the Gospels there was relatively little demonic activity. Counterfeit

2.) At the time of Jesus' birth through the period of the gospels there was a tremendous amount of demonic activity. Satan brought his demons into the land of Israel to try to thwart the purpose of the first coming of Jesus. Satan and his demons manipulated people and events to keep Jesus from the cross by having him killed prematurely as a babe in Bethlehem, or in the wrong manner, such as by stoning or by sword or by being thrown over a cliff. 3.) As

history moves past the Book of Acts demonic activity is reduced to the Old Testament levels 4.) In the future, leading up to and during the Tribulation, there will once again be heavy demonic activity. And once again it will be for the purpose of thwarting the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. Since the Second Coming of Jesus Christ to the earth (not the Rapture) is conditioned upon the Jewish people asking Jesus to return, (See Matthew 23:39) Satan, knowing this, will use all of his demonic forces to move the entire world against the Jews to try to annihilate them once and for all so they can't plead for Christ's return. Preventing the return of Christ to earth would make Satan's career eternally safe.

**B.) General Activities of Demons** • to thwart the plan of God. (Daniel 10:10-14; Revelation 16:12-16) • To extend Satan's authority by doing his bidding. (Ephesians 2:1-2; 6:11-12) • Demons can be used by God to carry out His own purposes, plan, and will. (1 Samuel 16:14; 1 Kings 22:19-23; 2 Corinthians 12:7)

**C.) Particular Activities of Demons** 1.) They can control nations. (Daniel 10:10-14; 20-21) 2.) They can inflict physical maladies such as dumbness, (Matthew 9:32-33) deafness, (Mark 9:25) curvature of the spine, (Luke 13:10-13) epilepsy, (Matthew 17:15-18) blindness, (Matthew 12:22) and personal injury. (Mark 9:18) 3.) Demons can cause insanity. (Mark 5:1-5; Luke 8:26-27) 4.) They can give great physical strength. (Mark 5:1-4; Luke 8:29) 5.) They can cause suicide. (Mark 9:22)

6.) They can possess animals. (Mark 5:12-13) 7.) Demons promote idolatry. (Leviticus 17:7; Isaiah 65:11; Deuteronomy 32:17; Zechariah 13:2; Hosea 4:12; Acts 17:22; 1 Corinthians 10:20) 8.) Demons can cause men to worship demons. (Revelation 9:20-21)

9.) They cause impurity and immorality (Luke 8:27)

10.) They promote false doctrine. (1 Timothy 4:1; James 3:15; 1 John 4:1)

11.) They oppose spiritual growth of believers. (Ephesians 6:12)

12.) They attempt to separate believers from the love of God. (Rom. 8:38)

13.) Demons also seek to reside within and seek to control men from within. We are careful not to say “demon possession” because that implies ownership and a believer cannot be possessed (owned) by a demon because he is owned by God. (1 Corinthians 6:20) However, a believer may be controlled by a demon. (Acts 5:1-4) In this case Satan has filled their heart, which means to control. In Ephesians 4:27 which says, “neither give place to the devil,” the words give place mean: don’t give a “beachhead” or a “foothold.” One way believers may give a “beachhead to the devil” is by unconfessed sin. The unbeliever may be totally controlled by demons, but the believer can never be totally controlled because of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Demonic activity takes place in the spiritual part of man and demonic control of a believer takes place in the old nature of man, not our new nature. (Demonic control involves a demon residing in a

person, exercising direct control over that person, resulting in a certain degree of derangement of the mind or body.)

There are four causes of demonic control: • Inheritance (Exodus 34:6-7) • Experimentation (1 Corinthians 10:14-22) • Transference (Mark 5:13) • Unconfessed sin (Ephesians 4:23-27)

There are three tests by which spirits can be tested: • Incarnation (1 John 4:2-3) “Did God become man in the person of Jesus Christ?” • The lordship of Jesus. (1 Corinthians 12:3) “Is Jesus Christ Lord?”

• The blood of Christ. (1 John 5:6-7) If a person reacts negatively to the blood of Jesus Christ, this can indicate demonic problems. There are five cures for demonic control: • The cure for an unbeliever is to accept Christ as Savior. • The cure for a believer is confession of sin. • Another cure for a believer is renunciation. • All occult objects must be removed. (Acts 19:19) • Another cure is resistance. Resist the devil and he will flee. (James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:89; Ephesians 6:10-13) 14.) Demons can hinder believers. (1 Thessalonians 2:18; Romans 15:22) 15.) Demons can cause believers to block God’s purposes. (Matt. 16:21-23)

D.) Occult Activities 1.) Taking the three original Greek words for “occult,” we derive the meaning of the word. It refers to things “covered over,” things “hidden and concealed,” things that are “secret,” and things which are “mysterious.” (Acts 25:19; Acts 17:22; James 3:15) Occult practice is an attempt to go beyond the five senses in order to gain hidden knowledge and understanding by some

contact with the demonic world. 2.) Some of the facets of the demonic world are given in Deuteronomy 18:9-14 □ Divination (fortune telling by magical means) □ Augury (soothsaying and trying to read animal parts to foretell the future) □ Enchanter (magician who puts others under a demonic spell) □ Sorcerer (witches and witchcraft and astrology) □ Charmer (one who practices magic miracles, incantations, and hypnotism) □ Consulter with a familiar spirit (a medium controlled by a demon) □ Wizard (a clairvoyant or a psychic person; refers to a male witch) □ Necromancer (medium who consults the dead)

3.) Other passages mentioning facets of occultism are: • Sorcery (Acts 8:9-11)

• Divination (Acts 16:16) which literally is interpreted, “the spirit of a python.” 4.) Satan snares people into occultism through different traps: a.) Spiritism is “the consultation with the dead.” There are five forms: • There is physical phenomenon which includes levitation and telekinesis. • Another form of Spiritism is psychic phenomenon. This includes spiritualistic visions, demonic writing, speaking in a trance, materialization, table-lifting, glass moving, etc. • Another form is metaphysical phenomenon which includes apparitions (visions of a spirit in human form), ghosts which are localized in a place such as a “haunted house.” • Another form of Spiritism is magic phenomenon which includes magic persecutions, such as infliction of disease. (Numbers 22:6-7; 24:1) • Another form of Spiritism is cultic phenomenon which includes spiritualistic cults and necromancy, that is an old form

prevalent in biblical times and mentioned in 1 Samuel 28:3-4; 1 Chronicles 10:13; and Isaiah 29:4.

- Another occult trap is “divination.” This is the art of obtaining secret, illegitimate knowledge of the future. One type is artificial, which involves reading and interpreting signs and omens. (Ezekiel 21:21) Another type is inspirational, which is receiving information from a demon through a medium. (Acts 16:16-18)

- Daniel mentions four words that refer to divination: magicians, enchanters, sorcerers, (or soothsayers) and Chaldeans. (Daniel 1:20; 2:2, 10, 27; 4:7; 5:11, 15) • Other forms of divination are: Astrology (Deuteronomy 17:2-7) Cartomancy (card-laying and tarot cards) Psychometry (trying to determine one’s own characteristics through another’s objects.) Divining rod or water witching Rod & pendulum Prophetic dreams and visions (Jeremiah 29:8-9) Ouija boards Crystal ball Clairvoyance (Genesis 44:5; Isaiah 47:9)

c.) Magic or Sorcery (Using demons to bring about supernatural results)

Other forms of magic or sorcery are: Black magic (claims to use the forces of evil) White magic (claims to use the forces of God) Natural magic (claims to use the forces of nature) Mental suggestion (transference of thoughts from one mind to another) Criminal hypnosis (hypnotizing someone to do something evil) Magical mesmerism (healing by touching) Healing magic Love and hate magic (love and hate potions) Execration cursing (specific cursing as with a voodoo doll) Fertility charms Claiming to have

the power to bind and loose Satan Wearing charms to ward off bad luck (Genesis 35:4; Judges 8:21, 26)

5.) The Bible and Occultism • The Bible clearly prohibits any contact with the occult. (Exodus 22:18; Lev. 19:26; Deut. 18:9-14; 1 Samuel 15:23; 2 Kings 21:6)

6.) The Practice of Occultism • In spite of clear prohibitions against occultism the practice was rather popular throughout biblical history. (Genesis 41:8; Exodus 7:11; 2 Kings 9:22; 17:17; 2 Chronicles 33:6; Isaiah 19:3; Jeremiah 27:9-10)

## **Chapter Four**

### **DEMONISM AND THE BELIEVER**

A.) Demons oppose the saints. (Ephesians 6:12; 2:2-3; Revelation 2:24) B.) God sometimes uses demons for the spiritual growth of believers. (2 Cor. 12:7) C.) Demons were defeated at the cross. (Colossians 2:15) This means they have no legal authority over us unless we willingly submit to them. D.) Believers have four responsibilities when it comes to demons: 1.) Believers should know how to try the spirits. (1 John 4:1-4) 2.) Believers should never consult nor connect with the occult. (Leviticus 19:31; Deuteronomy 18:9-14; Isaiah 8:19) 3.) There should be no fellowship with those connected with the occult. (1 Corinthians 10:20) 4.) Believers should wear the whole armor of God. (Ephesians 6:10-18)

### **X. FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF DEMONS**

A.) During the last days demons will spread false doctrine in the Church. (1 Timothy 4:1-3) B.) During the Tribulation there will be tremendous demonic activity:

1.) There will be two demonic invasions. One will torture men, short of death, for a period of five months. (Revelation 9:1-11) The second demonic invasion, led by four leading demons now bound at the Euphrates River in Iraq, will be for the purpose of destroying one-third of humanity. (Revelation 9:16-19) A total of 200 million demons will be released out of the abyss to be led by these four demons. 2.) Men will worship demons on a grand scale. (Revelation 9:20-21) 3.) Demons will be cast out of the atmospheric heavens and confined to earth for the



second half of the Tribulation Period. (Revelation 12:7-12)

4.) Demons will help gather the nations for the war of Armageddon. (Revelation 16:13-14)

XI. the Doom of Demons A.) The first stage of doom for the demons will be in the Millennium they will be in a place of confinement. (Isaiah 24:21-22) The fallen angelic beings will be confined and put into prison. Satan will also be bound and put into the abyss during the Messianic Kingdom, but his demons will be divided into two groups and confined in two places on earth:

1.) The first group of demons will be confined in the land of Edom. (Isaiah 34:13-15) Isaiah mentions various animals living in the land of burning pitch and brimstone. These are not literal animals because literal animals cannot live under these conditions. These beings with particular animal-like features are demons. 2.) The second group of demons will be confined in the city of Babylon within modern-day Iraq. (Isaiah 13:19-22) Both of these areas of the world will be areas of desolation throughout the Kingdom Period and will be countries of burning pitch and burning brimstone, with the smoke of the brimstone ascending for the entire 1,000 years. No humans will live there, only the demons that are confined there. • There will be no demonic activity of any kind, no harassment, influence, or control throughout the Kingdom. Any sin found will be the result of man's sin nature rather than demonic activity.

B.) The second stage of the doom of demons is in the Eternal Order. This will have two stages: 1.) every demon

will be judged at the Great White Throne judgment by believers. (1 Corinthians 6:3) The degree of punishment for demons will be determined by believers. 2.) After this judgment the demons will be cast into the Lake of Fire where they will spend eternity. (Matthew 8:29; 25:41, 46

“Many will say to me on that day, „Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?”  
Matthew 7:22

“He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them.” Psalm 78:49

“They sacrificed to demons who were not God, To gods whom they have not known, New gods who came lately, Whom your fathers did not dread.  
Deuteronomy 32:17

“They shall no longer sacrifice their sacrifices to the goat demons with which they play the harlot. This shall be a permanent statute to them throughout their generations.”  
Leviticus 17:7

“The desert creatures will meet with the wolves, The hairy goat also will cry to its kind; Yes, the night monster will settle there And will find herself a resting place.”  
Isaiah 34:14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.  
1 Samuel 16:14

“Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.” 1 Kings 22:23

“There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, 11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. 12 for all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD.” Deuteronomy 18:10-12a

“For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the Lord made the heavens.” Psalm 96:5

“Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, Or of the destruction that lays waste at noon.” Psalm 91:6

“But you who forsake the Lord, Who forgets my holy mountain, who set a table for Fortune, and who fill cups with mixed wine for Destiny.” Isaiah 65:11

“Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;” 1 Timothy 4:1

“They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name Apollyon.” Revelation 9:11

“Again the word of the Lord came to me saying, 12 “Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, „Thus says the Lord God, “You had the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 “You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The ruby, the topaz and the diamond; The

beryl, the onyx and the jasper; The lapis lazuli, the turquoise and the emerald; And the gold, the workmanship of your settings and sockets, Was in you. On the day that you were created they were prepared. 14 “You were the anointed cherub who covers, and I placed you there. You were on the holy mountain of God; you walked in the midst of the stones of fire. 15 “You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until unrighteousness was found in you. 16 “By the abundance of your trade you were internally filled with violence, and you sinned; therefore I have cast you as profane from the mountain of God. And I have destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. 17 “Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor. I cast you to the ground; I put you before kings, that they may see you. 18 “By the multitude of your iniquities, in the unrighteousness of your trade you profaned your sanctuaries. Therefore I have brought fire from the midst of you; it has consumed you, and I have turned you to ashes on the earth in the eyes of all who see you. 19 “All who know you among the peoples are appalled at you; you have become terrified and you will cease to be forever.” Ezekiel 28:11-19

“When Jesus saw that a crowd was rapidly gathering, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You deaf and mute spirit, I command you, come out of him and do not enter him again.” Mark 9:25

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the

darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” Ephesians 6:12

“And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. 9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. 10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.” Revelation 9:7-10

“And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes. 2 And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, 3 Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains: 4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him. 5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.” Mark 5:1-5

“For they are the spirits of demons, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.” Revelation 16:14

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast,

and out of the mouth of the false prophet.  
Revelation 16:13

“And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gadarenes, there met him two possessed with demons, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.” Matthew 8:28

“When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. 44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. 45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.” Matthew 12:43-45

And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands. 11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. 12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. 13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. 14 Now I am come to make thee understand what

shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days.” Daniel 10:10-14

“And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Ephesians 2:1-2

“But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.” 1 Samuel 16:14

“And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.” 2 Corinthians 12:7

## **Chapter Five**

### **WHY DO WE HAVE DEMONIC MANIPULATIONS?**

God created the world a Paradise that we may enjoy, but the devil has determined to create problems for mankind to make the earth ungovernable and unpleasurable; he knows that God created and bestowed on man dominion over all the works of His creation rather than to him. He is livid with anger that Jesus has come to reconcile man with God and restore the lost glory that the devil stole from man at the Garden of Eden. Hear me: demons are not powerful; all power belongs to God! Demons are fallen angels that were cast down to earth with their master, Lucifer. God never retrieved the powers He gave to Lucifer because the gifts of God are without repentance, so some of these fallen angels hung in the air (Powers of the Air/Witchcraft), some in the sea (Marine Spirits), and some on the land (Territorial Powers). They have combined to afflict and to ensure that man remains sinful and disobedient to God so that they can lay accusation against man and force a separation between God and man. Today, the blood of Jesus will speak against every wile and manipulation of the enemy against your life and destiny, in Jesus name.

### **CHANNELS OF DEMONIC MANIPULATIONS**

1. **Our minds** – The devil aims to distract you from imbibing the word of God which he knows will set you free (JOHN 8: 32). He brings false evidence to counteract the



truth; an idle mind is the devil's workshop, you must guard your heart because out of it proceeds the issues of life.

2. **Our unbelief** – It is possible that hands are laid on someone and they are not delivered because of their unbelief. Even when God is at work, we don't believe Him we don't believe that he is the God of miracles, the one who can do all things; with whom nothing is impossible. Be sure to know that all things are possible to them that believe. Again, they that must first come, must first believe that he is a rewarder of those that diligently seek him. May God help your unbelief, in Jesus name.

3. **Our pride** – God exalts the humble, but resists the proud! Salvation brings deliverance but majority of souls that are saved need continuous deliverance. There are even pastors that need deliverance but cannot subject themselves to such. Jesus rebuked the devil in a heavily anointed Peter to get behind him. He recognized that Peter needed deliverance and that it was not Peter that tried to dissuade him from achieving his divine mandate of the salvation of mankind, but the devil inside of him that spoke.

4. **Our wrong associations** – Show me your friends and I can tell who you are; birds of the same plumage flock together! Be not unequally yoked with unbelievers. Can the blind lead the blind? Be around positive minded people who strive and lead a righteous life. God has nominated us but we have denominated ourselves, He is not interested in our church or pastor...but our soul!

## WHAT WE NEED TO BE DELIVERED FROM

1. **Our troubles** – The trials and tribulations of life are continuous. Job quipped: all the days of man is filled with troubles.

2. **Our sicknesses** – Affliction is of the devil, it is good to speak the word but best to send the word that it may heal them of their diseases. The thief (devil) commeth but to steal, to kill and to destroy, but Jesus came that we may have life, and have it more abundantly. I declare that by his stripes you are healed, in Jesus name.

3. **Our curses** – Jesus has come that you may be redeemed from the curses of the law; for cursed is he that hangeth on a tree!

4. **Evil spirits** – Troubles, sicknesses and curses are all afflicted by evil spirits...for this same purpose was the Son of Man-made manifest that he may destroy the works of the devil. Every evil machination of the devil against your life is here destroyed, in Jesus name.

### 5. **Who can cast out demons?**

MARK 16:17 is clear: “And these signs shall follow them that believe. In my name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues, they shall take up serpents and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay their hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” This power is available to them that believe, not

only pastors, evangelists, prophets, apostles, bishops, etc but to all that believe! Your power is not for decoration but to fight the enemy; we need to be sober and vigilant because the enemy is on the prowl like a roaring lion, looking for whom to devour (1 PETER 5: 8). How can witches and wizards turn the sanctuary of God to a mortuary? We need as a matter of urgency to conduct deliverance on some pastors who tend to feed demons with feeding bottles because any pastor who claims to be a genuine man of God and yet cannot cast out demons is a suspect! A servant cannot be higher than his master! Some pastors are Senior Advocate of the Devil (SAD) because they castigate the deliverance ministry and brand everyone to be a fake simply because they cannot operate in that dimension. It is not a matter of rhetoric or titles; you cannot toy with the deliverance ministry else the demons will tear you to shreds (Acts 19: 13 -16).

Demons work primarily in the area of our minds. Consider these: “As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.” Proverbs 23:7 “Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.” Phil. 2:5 Love “thinketh no evil.” 1 Corinthians 13:5 “Love the Lord thy God ...with all thy mind ...” Mark 12:30 “...neither be ye of doubtful mind.” Luke 12:29 “... be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.” Romans 12:2 “Brethren ... be joined together in the same mind.” 1 Cor. 1:10 “... But we have the mind of Christ.” 1 Corinthians 2:16 “And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;” Ephesians 4:23 “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee:” Isaiah 26:3

“But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.” Daniel 10:13

Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.”

Matthew 12:22 “For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had seized him many times; and he was bound with chains and shackles and kept under guard, and yet he would break his bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.” Luke 8:29

“They sacrificed unto demons, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.” Deuteronomy 32:17

“Jesus gave them permission. And coming out, the unclean spirits entered the swine; and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, about two thousand of them; and they were drowned in the sea.” Mark 5:13

## **Chapter Six**

### **CURSES**

**1. CURSES CAN BE A PRIME ENTRY POINT OF DEMONIC ACTIVITIES.** “Like a flitting sparrow, like a flying swallow, so a curse without cause shall not alight (Proverbs 26:2) therefore a curse requires a cause to alight.

### **2. INDICATIONS OF CURSES**

(a) Mental, emotional and physical breakdowns. (b) Constant sickness, especially hereditary sickness. (c) Marriage breakdowns and family splits. (d) Continuous poverty. (e) Being accident prone. (f) Barrenness and miscarriages. (g) Constant deaths in families.

**3. ENTRY POINTS OF CURSES** (a) Persons with relational authority, e.g. husband over wife or parents over children. Examples: “You can't cook”; “You're no good”; “You're useless”; “You're a failure”; “You will never be any good”. (b) Self-imposed curses: “I will never be any good”; “I will never forgive myself”; “God doesn't love me” etc. (c) Curses brought on by unscriptural covenants, e.g. being unequally yoked together with unbelievers: “Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers (2 Corinthians 6:14) (d) Curses brought on by the servants of Satan, e.g. witchdoctors, medicine men, tohungas. (e) Curses brought on by disobedience to God's commandments as follows: Having false gods. (Exodus 20:3-4; Deuteronomy 27:15) Disrespect for parents. (Deuteronomy 27:16) Treachery against a neighbour. (Deuteronomy 27:17) Injustice to the weak. (Deuteronomy

27:18-19) Illicit sex. (Deuteronomy 27:20-23) (Effect of wrong sexual relationships, particularly those outside of marriage or with members of one's family). Perjury. (Deuteronomy 27:25) Stealing.(Zechariah 5:1-4) Stinginess towards God. (Malachi 3:9) Perverting the gospel. (Galatians 1:8-9) Depending on the flesh. (Jeremiah 17:5) Anti-semitism. (Genesis 12:3; Genesis 28:3, 14).

## **Chapter Seven**

### **HOW TO BE DELIVERED**

1. **WE MUST HUMBLE OURSELVES.** It is a primary requirement of Scripture that if we are going to receive anything from the Lord, we must be humble ourselves. We must humble ourselves absolutely before God and others.

2. **WE MUST BE COMPLETELY HONEST:** Without honesty there is no true repentance.

3. **WE MUST CONFESS OUR SINS:** It is important that we come before the Lord humbly and confess our sins. We can also confess them to others. This provides great release and deliverance. “Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed...” (James 5:16)

4. **WE NEED TO REPENT:** Repentance involves making a decision not to do the same thing again. Remorse is being sorry for our sins. While, when we come in repentance to God we are sorry that we have done something, nevertheless, we must make an absolute decision not to go back into the same sin.

5. **FORGIVE:** It is imperative that we forgive others. If we forgive and honour our parents then all will be well with us and we will live long on the earth. “that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.” (Ephesians 6:3) If we do not forgive, neither will our Father in Heaven forgive us our trespasses. (Mark 11:26) (Mark 11:26) (Mark 11:26) (Mark 11:26) (Mark 11:26)

6. WE SHOULD CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD TO BE DELIVERED. “For whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.” (Romans 10:13).



## Chapter Eight

### STRONGHOLDS, YOKES, AND BONDAGES

Spiritual warfare is often thought of as a unidirectional attack. We fight against powers, principalities, and rulers of this dark world. However, spiritual warfare is not one-dimensional. The Bible speaks about a second enemy that we war against:

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

~Galatians 5:16-17

The flesh is as much our enemy as the demons that use it against us. Jesus came to free us from all of our enemies. Yet many believers are bound by strongholds, yokes, and bondages in their spirits and flesh (mind, will, emotions, and body). These dominate and control us like puppets on strings and become evident in our lifestyles. Satan has us convinced we have no way out, no path to freedom. His lies and deceptions are like a spider's web, entangling us in feelings of hopelessness and despair. But the Good News is exactly that—good news. Jesus paid the price for our freedom and wants to give us abundant life that includes shattering the strongholds, yokes, and bondages that hold us captive.

When it comes to strongholds, yokes, and bondages, there are some ministers who do not differentiate between those in our flesh and those due to demonic activity. They get “spooky spiritual” and call out demons in people's lives that don't exist. For instance, an alcoholic may be in

*bondage* to alcohol. He may have *strongholds* in his mind (chemical and emotional) that drive him to drink. His thoughts and perceptions of alcohol may consume him and *yoke* him to drinking. And demons may influence him toward drinking, driving him further into his addiction. But there is not necessarily a demon of alcohol within him.

Misdirected warfare can be seen when praying for healing of a disease such as cancer: Cancer is a consequence of our environment, food, heredity, or other factors. While all sickness and disease are rooted in man's fall in the garden, and therefore demonic in origin, there is not necessarily a spirit of cancer. We can pray against a spirit of infirmity that can bring about cancer in our bodies. At other times, God will lead us to pray for divine healing.

How do we know whether a stronghold, yoke, or bondage results from sinful behavior, environmental or social conditions, or demonic activity? We must have a thorough understanding of spiritual warfare in order to rightly divide what is spirit from what is flesh. We need to operate in the gifts of the Spirit, such as discernment and word of knowledge. We must also "learn to discern" by listening to the voice of the Holy Spirit.

Strongholds, yokes, and bondages are real. And we all struggle with one or more of them in some areas of our lives.

## **Strongholds**

The word "stronghold" can mean *a well-fortified city or fortress*. It can also mean *a central place of agreed-upon thoughts and views*. Strongholds conjure up images of something impregnable, rigid, and unmoving. For instance, a university may be called a stronghold of liberalism or

conservatism because of its reputation for allowing liberal or conservative thinking.

On a psychological level, strongholds are an integral part of our *belief systems*. They are the driving force behind our thought patterns, attitudes, and actions. No matter what we say in everyday life or what we truly believe about the world around us—God, others, or ourselves—the strongholds in our minds come to surface when we are put in pressure situations. These can also be emotional safe havens that protect us from perceived harm. For instance, someone who fears rejection may take solace in imaginative mindsets of revenge upon those who have harmed them.

When ministers discuss strongholds, they invariably quote one particular Scripture:

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

~2 Corinthians 10:3-6

In the NIV translation, these verses read thusly:

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to

make it obedient to Christ. And we will be ready to punish every act of disobedience, once your obedience is complete.

~2 Corinthians 10:3-6

Many ministers doing deliverance quote these verses when directly engaging demons in combat. We must not forget there are demonic powers, principalities, and rulers that establish strongholds (territories) on the earth. They can manifest themselves through political parties, regimes, religions, and dictatorships. They can establish strongholds of belief that yoke countries and world regions to a particular way of thinking, such as communism. The resulting bondage is seen in poor economic growth and poverty in the lives of those living under such demonic control.

But Paul is not talking about this type of confrontation. Rather, he is discussing *strongholds* as *mindsets* that keep us in bondage. Even though demons are indirectly the cause of these and use these to gain control over our lives, in context, the strongholds Paul talks about are

- erroneous beliefs, persuasions, and teachings that lead to “acts of disobedience” (verse 5);
- religious lies and deceptions the enemy uses to enslave us to his ways of thinking, his attitudes, and actions;
- false arguments and pretensions that come against a true understanding (the knowledge) of God.

In psychological terms, strongholds could be considered “practiced ways of habitual thinking that bind us to bad habits, addictions, and lifestyles.” They can fill us with hopelessness, leading us to believe something in our lives is

unchangeable. Their function is to control our thinking while minimizing anything that contradicts it.

On a demonic level, a stronghold can be defined as *an influence or grip; a persistent oppression, obsession, hindrance, or harassment.*

Examples of religious strongholds include these:

- False doctrines such as denying the divinity of Christ or advocating that man is sinless or salvation is earned.
- False teachings such as those that say God punishes us with sickness, God wants us poor, or pioussness equates to material prosperity.

Examples of strongholds in the mind are stubbornness, pride, inferiority/superiority complex, confusion, prejudice, and lying. Demonic strongholds include rebellion, lust, witchcraft, idolatry, and the occult.

In Paul's day, strongholds in the mind probably included keeping certain man-made traditions or following particular rules, laws, and regulations. These were attempts to please God through "works" instead of accepting Jesus' finished work by grace. Evidently, there were some in the Corinthian church who were promoting such things as legalism over grace and permissiveness over self-discipline.

### *Punishing Disobedience*

What did Paul mean when he said he was "ready to punish every act of disobedience?" Let's look closer at 2 Corinthians 10:4-5: "Casting down imaginations and every

high thing” (verse 4, KJV) is more accurately translated “Demolishing arguments and false pretenses” (NIV).

Paul was saying he would vigorously point out *opinions* that others were stating as *facts* about Christ. “Bringing into captivity every thought” (KJV) equates to proving the truth about Christ by rightfully dividing Scripture.

He went on to say he was ready “to revenge” (verse 5, “punish,” NIV) all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.” In translating the Greek meanings of these words, Paul was *not* referring to physically punishing anyone. Nor was he referring to warring against demons. Instead, he was ready to defend the truth of the gospel by refuting those who taught false doctrines and teachings (all disobedience). He would do this only *after* the Corinthian church realized they had been deceived and did not have truthful or “obedient” mindsets or “strongholds” about Christ and their freedom in him.

## **Yokes**

A yoke is something that links, enjoins, or locks two things in place, so that one cannot move without the other. Most often we see yokes used on teams of oxen or horses. In this case, the yoke is a type of harness, made of wood (oxen) or leather (horses), that forces the animals to move in tandem. One result of “yoking” animals together is that their combined strength is multiplied. For instance, a team of two workhorses yoked together can pull up to four times the weight that one horse could pull.

A yoke can also mean *a bond that is oppressive or burdensome*. Paul said this to the Corinthians:

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

~2 Corinthians 6:14-16

Here we see Paul links the words yoked, common, fellowship, harmony, and agreement together. Thus, a yoke can mean *an agreement in mindsets that are evidenced in lifestyle*. Paul is telling the Corinthian church—and us—not to be joined (yoked) together in body, mind, or spirit with unbelievers. He states we have nothing in common: There is no compatibility or equality. Our lifestyles differ (fellowship); our thought lives are different (harmony); and we act differently (agreement). He warns us that joining ourselves together in any of these areas may result in grief, hardship, sorrow, and pain. This does not mean we disassociate ourselves from the world. God has called us to live in this world but not to be of this world. Jesus ate and fellowshiped with publicans and sinners yet did not acquiesce to their lifestyles for ministry and evangelism purposes.

There is also a third meaning of the word yoke: In King James English, it meant “to rob” in the sense that “two thieves yoked the man of his wallet.” Whenever we are compelled to follow a particular sin or sinful lifestyle, we are *yoked or robbed* of the freedom God desires for us.

## Bondages

“They answered him, we be Abraham’s seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?” (John 8:33).

The Israelite nation was well acquainted with the word bondage. It means to be *a slave to, to serve and be subject to someone or something other than one’s self*. For instance, the ancient Israelites were in bondage to the nation of Egypt, serving as their slaves and performing the most menial tasks.

Bondage can also mean *the state of being under the control of a force or influence or abstract power*. For example, “He was in bondage to fear” or “His life was bound up in sex.”

The Israelites had spent their first four hundred years, before becoming a fledgling nation, as a people group in bondage to Egypt. From both written and oral traditions, they understood the slavery, torment, and subjugation that bondage brings.

Bondage is the end result of negative strongholds in our mind. We are enslaved to particular lifestyles through addictions, cravings, and inordinate desires. We cannot escape a particular bondage because we believe the mindset we established is true. For instance, we might believe sex equates to happiness, or shopping means fulfillment, or adultery will make us feel good.

Strongholds, yokes, and bondages form vicious and self-perpetuating cycles. Eventually, we are bound so tightly that it is almost impossible to break free of their hold. We are unable to accept the truths found in God’s Word, or we cannot consistently follow them.



## **Signs to Look for**

How do we know when we are faced with a stronghold, yoke, or bondage? They reveal themselves through our words and lifestyles:

- We are constantly critical of everyone and everything.
- We minimize or negate true or positive things said about us by others.
- We hide our bad habits.
- Certain thoughts fill us with shame, guilt, or condemnation.
- A particular behavior worsens over time.
- We are driven by our impulses and desires.

We are unwilling to give up particular mindsets because we find security and protection with them. They are familiar to us and we believe there is “truth” in them.

Strongholds, yokes, and bondages can vary from minor to moderate to severe. Extreme forms include mindsets that greatly hinder us spiritually, socially, or physically, such as an addiction. Moderate strongholds may limit our fulfillment in life, yet we can still function effectively. For instance, if we believe that poverty equates to pious humility, we may give all of our money away. Minor thoughts such as the need to protect ourselves by lying can be eradicated through conviction from God, leading to our confession and repentance.

## **King Saul**

King Saul’s life succinctly illustrates how strongholds, yokes, and bondages can develop, interact with each other, and open the doors for demons to influence our lives. After

hearing continual complaints from the Israelites, God instructed Samuel to anoint Saul to be the nation's first king.<sup>1</sup> However, when Samuel summoned the people to Mizpah to introduce their new king, Saul was nowhere to be found; he had hidden himself amongst the baggage.<sup>2</sup> Why did he do this? A likely reason was he felt very insecure due to low self-esteem. Had he been a man full of self-confidence, he would have welcomed the people's accolades and basked in his kingship. Instead, insecurity and low self-esteem were established *strongholds* in his belief system. He was *yoked* to them through his thought life, thus resulting in *bondage* to fear as displayed in his decision to hide.

We can have the same type of struggles in our lives. For instance, due to fear of rejection, we may be afraid to ask someone for help, apply for a new job, or confront someone over a wrongdoing. Fears are strongholds in our belief systems (minds) that we choose to yoke ourselves to (come in agreement with). They paralyze our actions, bringing us into bondage to indecision.

### *A Downward Spiral*

Even though Saul rescued the city of Jabesh—which should have boosted his confidence—his insecurity and low self-esteem led him to make poor spiritual decisions based on emotion rather than good decisions based on faith.<sup>3</sup> These decisions further reinforced his established strongholds, yokes, and bondages.

In chapter 13, Samuel instructed Saul to wait seven days for him to offer the required sacrifices to God before going to war with the Philistines. However, when Saul did not see Samuel in time and his men began to scatter, Saul took matters into his own hands. He committed the cardinal sin

of assuming the position of high priest and offered up burnt offerings to God. When Samuel arrived, he was mortified:

And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash; Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering. And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever. But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

~1 Samuel 13:11-14

Saul's insecurity, low self-esteem, and lack of faith led him into disobedience, resulting in sinful actions with disastrous consequences. God took away his family's right to the kingship of Israel. Saddened and downtrodden, Saul found the thought of his son, Jonathan, not following in his footsteps unbearable. When God's chosen captain of his people was revealed, Saul turned into a possessed man.

### *A Spirit of Torment*

After David was anointed by Samuel to be Israel's next king, the Holy Spirit forsook Saul. "But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him. And Saul's servants said unto him,

Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee” (1 Samuel 16:14-15).

The Hebraic words *evil spirit* indicate that Saul was filled with gloom and despondency. The Holy Spirit had taken away his anointing, and grief and sorrow overwhelmed him. These new strongholds took root in his mind and further yoked him in bondage to depression that probably lasted the rest of his life. Evil spirits would have also tormented him by sending fiery darts of self-condemnation, ridicule, and despair into his mind.

Is it possible that Saul had an evil spirit? Yes. He no longer had the Holy Spirit in his life. He certainly “had a demon(s).” Ironically, it was David’s musical gifting that relieved Saul’s misery.

“And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him” (1 Samuel 16:23).

### *A Root of Bitterness*

Although Saul remained king until his death in battle, he no longer lived a life worthy of kingship. When David prospered in battle and won the hearts of the people, Saul became “very wroth” and was consumed with jealousy.<sup>4</sup> A stronghold of bitterness took root in his heart that led him into further sin.

And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and there was a javelin in Saul’s hand. And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall with

it. And David avoided out of his presence twice. And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed from Saul.

~1 Samuel 18:10-12

The Amplified Bible interprets the word “prophesy” as *raved madly*. Tormented by shame, guilt, and anguish, Saul mercilessly hunted David at every opportunity. Saul must have believed the only way for him to regain peace in his life and to keep the kingship within his family was to kill David. His hatred for David so consumed him that he even tried to kill Jonathan when Jonathan defended David.<sup>5</sup> Saul finally took his own pitiful life by falling on his sword after being severely wounded in battle at the hands of his archenemies, the Philistines.

### **An Overcomer**

In context of deliverance, strongholds are mindsets that “yoke or join” us together with religious teachings (false doctrines and teachings), unhealthy thought patterns (pride and jealousy), or demonism (rebellion and witchcraft). These can bring grief or sorrow into our lives and rob us of the freedom Christ wants us to have.

“Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us” (Romans 8:37).

As Christians, we are “in Christ” and have the ability to overcome any obstacles in our lives. The Bible states that we have the mind of Christ.<sup>6</sup> We are more than conquerors: We are overcomers. We can refute, negate, and break strongholds, yokes, and bondages in our minds and lives through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, and submitting ourselves to the Lordship of Jesus.

We do not overcome strongholds, yokes, and bondages simply by rebuking demonic spirits. Nor do we overcome them by “proving our point” to others through arguments and fights. On the contrary, our weapons are not carnal, but mighty through God, enabling us to pull these down. Our spiritual weapons include these:

- Prayer
- Fasting
- Quoting scriptures
- Obedience to God’s Word
- Living by faith
- Walking in love

No matter what the stronghold is, we must take our thoughts captive, making them obedient to Christ in every situation. Doing so destroys the yoke (agreement) we have with the mindset we want to break. This will eventually lead to freedom from the bondages we are enslaved to. Submitting ourselves to God allows the Holy Spirit’s anointing to flow in our lives. And where the anointing is—there is freedom.

“Yet the defenced city shall be desolate, and the habitation forsaken, and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and consume the branches thereof” (Isaiah 27:10).

- 1 – 1 Samuel 10:1
- 2 – 1 Samuel 10:22
- 3 – 1 Samuel 11
- 4 – 1 Samuel 18:6-9
- 5 – 1 Samuel 20:30-33
- 6 – 1 Corinthians 2:16
- 7 – Matthew 17:21
- 8 – Matthew 17:21

9 – Matthew 4:1-4

10 – Romans 6:16

11 – Hebrews 11:1

12 – 2 John 1:6

## **Chapter nine**

### **DEMONIC OPPRESSION**

What do you say to a man who constantly battles feelings of inferiority, thoughts of suicide, or habitually hearing voices telling him he's a loser who will never measure up as a husband, dad, son, or child of God?

He tells you he's prayed, fasted, memorized Scripture, and studied his Bible, but the ideas, accusations, and voices never release their paralyzing grip, at least not for very long.

Do you tell him he just needs rest? That it's a chemical imbalance? Do you assume he's schizophrenic because he says there are voices in his head? Or might this battle be something more than physiological or psychological?

"Karl, do you think this could be demonic?" I've heard this question so many times I no longer presume the person speaking is neurotic or weak willed. This initial question is often followed by "Now I don't want you to think I am crazy" or "I'm afraid you won't believe me, but ..." or "I've never told anyone about this, but I assure you I am not making this up." I've heard this from the churched and unchurched, from those in the pew and those who fill the pulpit.

What would you say to a pastor, for instance, who flies to your city to discuss demonization, indicating that his mind is being consumed with thoughts and images of his wife having sex with other men? It is not true, and he knows it. But the incessant mind games are not only personally debilitating emotionally and physically to him, they are in



the process of destroying his marriage, family, and ministry.

Do you tell him to read his Bible? Well, he studies his Bible and memorizes Scripture, and he has written more theological books than most Christians have read. Do you tell him that he just needs to be more disciplined in his thinking?

Or might he be demonized?

Over the last 30 years, I have worked with hundreds of Christians across the denominational and non-denominational spectrum who are tormented by spirits they have not been able to remove on their own.

## **Laying the Foundation**

There are some foundational truths to keep in mind as we tackle this topic.

First, assisting those caught in demonic bondage does not depend upon a particular type of giftedness. Some gifts may make this type of ministry easier for some than for others. But the authority, victory, protection, and position necessary for successfully banishing demons is something freely available to every Christian under the authority of Jesus Christ.

Second, your attitude toward demons is important. They are not superiors to fear or defer to. They are not colleagues to respect. Demons are not your spiritual equal or sparring partner. Positionally, they have been placed beneath the feet of all believers under the delegated authority of the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords.

When you respond to a demon as an equal, you embolden it to resist and fight rather than submit to the authority the Lord Jesus Christ, which has been delegated to you (Luke 10:18-20; 2 Cor. 10:3-5; Eph. 1:18-2:7).

Third, your personal involvement in the process is not nearly as important as the attitude of the person seeking deliverance. Prayer is powerful, but if the demonized person refuses to resist the demons or to confess and cancel the sin(s) that gave them ground (*topos*, from Eph. 4:27) those demons will not leave. You can stand with someone against the powers of darkness, but you cannot stand for someone against the powers of darkness. (A believing parent standing for a demonized child may be an exception.) When I first meet with an oppressed or demonized person, I listen carefully as they share their story. I follow up with questions to determine the person's relationship with Christ. Then I briefly describe the essential differences between battling the world, the flesh, and the devil. If we both believe demonization is a real possibility in this particular case, and if we both want to proceed, I give the person a homework assignment: reading Mark 7:21-23, Galatians 5:19-21, and Colossians 3:5-8 and preparing a list of possible areas of sin and demonization.

I also ask the person to list any other persistent problem areas not listed in these passages. For instance, none of those passages mention obsessive fear, suicidal depression, eating disorders, and constant self-condemning thoughts. But each of these can indicate a potential foothold for demonic control.

If the area is not habitual, I ask the person not to write it down. Demons are unrelenting. If they are present, they are persistent. They will not surface only once a month or on holidays. They like to hide, but they are aggressive in their attempts to control the thinking of anyone within whom they hold ground.

## **The Ground Rules**

When we meet the second time, we go over the homework list. I ask questions for clarification, but I don't worry about particulars. Although specific areas are necessary to identify, all the sordid details are not.

I review the concepts of confessing and canceling sin, and the three necessary non-negotiables of (1) being a Christian, (2) absolute honesty, and (3) a will to resist the devil. If we are on the same page at this point, I will proceed. If not, we will close our meeting with prayer, but demons will not be confronted, at least not that particular day.

At this point, I lay down some ground rules, both for the person's benefit and for the reluctant obedience of any spirits present.

The ground rules are the single most important thing I do to help ensure that any confrontation will be orderly rather than becoming a circus. The less we allow demons to speak the better. Demons understand delegated authority and accept the fact that a Christian's delegated authority is greater than their authority.

The statement "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ" precedes all the ground rules. The Lord Jesus Christ is our authority. The purpose of repeating his name is to make it

clear to any demons that we understand Jesus Christ has already won this war.

So, for instance, I say, "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, there will be one-way traffic only, from [name of person] to the pit. When you leave, you will take all of your works and effects and all of your associates and their works and effects with you. You will not be free to re-enter [name] or to enter anyone else in the room.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, you may speak only that which can be used against you, and the answers you give must stand as truth before the white throne of God.

"In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, there will be no profanity.

"In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ [name] is to have complete and full control of his tongue, mind, and body. You will not be allowed to control his tongue, mind, or body.

"In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, when I give commands, you will give clear, concise, complete answers in [name]'s mind to the questions addressed to you. You will not be permitted to confuse the mind of [name] and will be punished severely by the Holy Spirit of God if you attempt to do so."

### **Confronting the Spirits**

With the ground rules in place, I ask the counselee to pick the two or three areas he would like us to check from his homework sheet, beginning with those areas that represent the greatest problems. Usually demons with the greater

authority oversee those areas that represent greater problems. By going after the higher ranking spirits first, you can shorten the process. When the leaders go, they often take all those under their charge with them.

If the first area is, for instance, fear, I will say something like this: "We are going to deal with the area of fear because you told me it's a major problem. Before we confront demons, you will need to confess any sin(s) in this area."

The individual will then ask God to forgive him of the sin of fear that has dominated his life. It ultimately represents a lie that denies God's goodness and promise to always care for his children.

After the person confesses this sin as thoroughly as he knows how, I ask him to pray that God would cancel any and all grounds demons might hold against him through this area. Confession brings cleansing to a specific area. Canceling closes the door to the foothold that the person has given over to evil spirits. With the sin forgiven and the ground divinely removed, demons are now unwanted squatters rather than invited or tolerated guests.

At this point I will command: "If there are any demons working in [name] in the area of fear, we bind all of you together, along with all of your works and effects, and command that you come forward now. We command that spirit holding highest authority of all those bound and brought forward in the area of fear to step up alone."

Then I ask a few questions. I want to identify a demon's name, commissioning source, specific task, habitual lies, and the ground it still holds if any. Once the demonized person learns to recognize the demon's answers, usually

described as a voice, words, thoughts, impressions, or "ideas that pop into my mind" in direct response to the questions being addressed, the process goes much faster.

I ask the individual to repeat to me, word for word, the voices, thoughts, words, impressions that he is hearing or thinking in response to my questions.

Here are the five questions I ask:

1. "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command that spirit holding the highest authority working in the area of fear in [name] to step forward alone. What is your name?"

If there are demons present, they will answer. Sometimes it is easy. The person will say, "The name Destroyer just came in my mind." When this happens I will say, "You have responded to the name Destroyer. We bind you by that name, and upon command you will go to the pit bound by that name with all of your works and effects and all of your associates and their works and effects as well."

Sometimes the demon will try to mock God and to take control of the process. Once when I asked this question, the answer was: "We are not here. No one is working in that area. This is not necessary." I had to smile. And the man I was working with burst out in laughter saying, "This idiot just told me it is not there."

2. "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, who commissioned you in the work you are doing against [name]?"

The answer usually is Satan or some other similar title such as Lucifer or The Dark Lord.

3. "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, what work have you been commissioned to do against [name]?"

The response to this is usually, "To destroy him or to kill him." My follow up question is: "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, by what means do you hope to destroy him?"

The answers will vary, but if it is really a demon, the answer will have something to do with the work it is trying to accomplish, for example: "Suicide. We tell her to take her life. We make her feel worthless so she will give up," or, "We are destroying her hope and her marriage by creating problems in her family."

4. "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, what lies do you tell [name] on a habitual basis?"

Answers are often something like, "We tell her that God will not protect her. We torment her with fear, and she believes us." Or, "We tell her she will get sick and die, and that her husband does not really love her." Or, "We tell her she is stained, that she is unlovable, and that God could never accept someone like her." Or, "She is always alone and always will be. It is never going to change." The lies will consistently relate to the work they have been commissioned to carry out.

5. The most important question is: "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, do you still hold any ground against [name] that would keep you from leaving him upon command?"

The answer is usually, "No, our ground is gone." If the response is yes, I immediately ask, "Will your answer that you still hold ground stand as truth before the great white throne of God?" The response is usually, "No, it won't."

Once the answer is, "We hold no more ground" or something similar, you have everything you need to command it to leave. Once the ground is gone, the demon will leave upon command.

I have found that when demons give arrogant answers, it's usually because they don't think you will uncover the ground they hold against the person. When they hold the area of ancestral sin, for instance, they are certain you will never uncover it, leaving them free to continue their destructive work.

I now have the person address ancestral issues with the initial confession and canceling of sin, just in case. I ask them to pray something like: "Lord Jesus, if there are any spirits who have anything to do with me, body, soul, or spirit because of ancestral sin, I ask you to forgive this sin(s) and cancel any ground held against me because of ancestral sin."

### **Closing the Door**

Two things are left to bring this first area (fear) to closure. You must command the demons to leave and ask the Holy Spirit to fill every area the demons have vacated. I have the counselee repeat a command with me and remind him that we are commanding as victors, not pleading as victims.

We pray: "In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, [demon's name], to leave [person's name] with all your works and effects and all your associates and their works and effects, and go to the pit right now. We command this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ who is the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, and our Savior. Amen."



I then ask the person to pray, inviting the Holy Spirit to fill and control the areas just vacated. Matthew 12:25-45 indicates that after expelling a demon, it is necessary to fill the room(s) it has worked in or attached to with someone stronger than it. When we allow the Holy Spirit to control every area of our lives, we eliminate a demon's ability to control those areas.

After we deal with each issue, I repeat this same process for each remaining area of concern. The last thing to do is commanding the highest ranking spirit, other than the Holy Spirit, to come forward. If any demon(s) have been missed, we deal with it in the same way.

When the entire process is complete, I ask the individual to do three things: (1) Practice keeping short accounts with sin. (2) Practice both defensive and offensive prayer. Ask God both for protection and to destroy those trying to destroy you. (3) Practice daily Bible study, and apply what you learn rather than just read or memorize it. Jesus responded to Satan's solicitations with Scripture (Matt. 4:1-11). We are always wise to do the same.

## Chapter Ten

### PRAYERS THAT ROUT DEMONS

Let every plant that my Father has not planted be rooted out in the name of Jesus.

I lay the axe to the root of every evil tree in my life.

Let every ungodly generational taproot be cut and pulled out of my bloodline in the name of Jesus.

Let the roots of wickedness be as rottenness.

I speak to every evil tree to be uprooted and cast into the sea (**Luke 17:6**).

Let Your holy fire burn up every ungodly root in the name of Jesus (**Malachi 4:1**).

Let the confidence of the enemy be rooted out (**Job 18:14**).

Let every root of bitterness be cut from my life (**Hebrews 12:15**).

Let the prophetic word be released to root out evil kingdoms (**Jeremiah 1:10**).

Let any evil person planted in my church be rooted out in the name of Jesus.

Let any sickness rooted in my body be plucked up in the name of Jesus.

Let all false ministries that have rooted themselves in my city be plucked up.

Let every bramble and nettle be plucked up from my life in the name of Jesus.

Let all thorns be burned out of my life in the name of Jesus (**Isaiah 10:17**).

Let all spirits rooted in rejection come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in pride come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in rebellion come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in fear come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in lust and sexual sin come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in curses come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in witchcraft come out in the name of Jesus.

Let all spirits rooted in any part of my body and organs come out in the name of Jesus.

### **DELIVERANCE PRAYER ON BREAKING COVENANTS, YOKES AND CURSES**

***Confession: Col. 2:14, Gal. 3: 13 & 14, 2 Cor. 6 14 - 18,  
Gal. 6:17, 2 Cor. 5:17***

**Spend quality time in praise and worship to God.**

## **RENOUNCING MEMBERSHIP OF EVIL ASSOCIATIONS**

1. I reject, revoke and renounce my membership with . . . Jezebel spirit, marine spirit, water spirit, Queen of the coast, mermaid spirit, familiar spirit, witches and wizards, spirits of the dead and all other occult societies, in the name of Jesus.
2. I withdraw and cancel my name from their registers with the blood of Jesus.
3. I reject and renounce all such names given to me in any of the evil associations, in the name of Jesus.
4. I resign my position in any of these associations and withdraw my services and responsibilities permanently, in the name of Jesus.
5. I reject all the evil works I have done to innocent people through my membership with these evil association and ask the Almighty God to forgive me and wash me clean with the blood of Jesus.
6. I purge myself of all evil foods I had eaten in any of the evil associations with the blood of Jesus.
7. I bind you water spirits, marine spirits, queen of the coast, Jezebel spirits, familiar spirits operating in my life with hot chains and fetters of God and cast you out into the deep, and seal you with unquenchable fire of God, in the name of Jesus.
8. I withdraw any part of my body and blood deposited on their evil altars, in the name of Jesus.

9. I withdraw my pictures, image and inner-man from the altars and covens of the evil associations, in the name of Jesus.

10. I return any of the things of evil associations I am connected with, the instruments and any other properties at my disposal for the execution of duties, in the name of Jesus.

11. I hereby confess total separation from the evil associations, in the name of Jesus.

12. Holy Spirit, build a wall of fire round me that will completely make it not possible for these evil spirits to come to me again.

13. I break any covenant binding me with any of these evil associations, in name of Jesus.

14. I break all inherited covenants and all such covenants I consciously and unconsciously entered into, in the name of Jesus.

15. I bind the demons attached to these covenants and cast them into the deep, in the name of Jesus.

16. I resist every attempt to return me back to the evil associations with the blood of Jesus, fire, brimstone and thunder of God.

17. I renounce and revoke all the oaths I took while entering the evil associations, in the name of Jesus.

18. I break and cancel every evil mark, incision, writing placed in my spirit and body as a result of my membership of the evil associations with the blood of Jesus and purify

my body, soul and spirit with the Holy Ghost fire, in the name of Jesus.

19. I break all covenants inherited from my ancestors on the father and mother side, in the name of Jesus.

20. Lord, break down every evil foundation of my life and rebuild a new one on Christ the Rock.

21. I command the fire of God to roast and burn to ashes every evil bird, snake, or any other animal attached to my life by the evil association, in the name of Jesus.

22. I dismantle every hindrance, obstacle or blockage put in my way of progress by my involvement in these evil associations, in the name of Jesus.

23. All the doors of blessings and breakthrough shut against me due to my involvement in these evil associations, I command you to open, in the name of Jesus.

## **CURSES**

1. I break and cancel every inherited curse, in the name of Jesus.

2. Lord, remove from me all the curses placed upon my ancestral families as a result of their evil associations involvement, in the name of Jesus.

3. I break and cancel every curse placed upon me by my parents, in the name of Jesus.

4. I break and cancel every curse, spell, hex, enchantment, bewitchment, incantation placed upon me by my involvement with evil association, in the name of Jesus.

5. I break and revoke every blood and soul-tie covenant and yokes attached to them, in the name of Jesus.

6. I purge myself of all the evil foods I have eaten in the evil world with the blood of Jesus and purify myself with the fire of the Holy Ghost, in the name of Jesus.

7. All demonic spirits attached to all these covenants and curses, be roasted with the fire of God, in the name of Jesus.

8. I declare my body, soul and spirit a-no-go-area for all evil spirits, in the name of Jesus.

### **DELIVERANCE FROM SPIRIT HUSBAND OR WIFE.**

1. I divorce and renounce my marriage with the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

2. I break all covenants entered into with the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

3. I command the thunder fire of God to burn to ashes the wedding gown, ring, photographs and all other materials used for the marriage, in the name of Jesus.

4. I send the fire of God to burn to ashes the marriage certificate, in the name of Jesus.

5. I break every blood and soul-tie covenant with the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

6. I send the thunder fire of God to burn to ashes the children born to the marriage, in the name of Jesus.

7. I withdraw my blood, sperm or any other part of my body deposited in the altar of the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

8. I bind you spirit husband or wife tormenting my life and earthly marriage with hot chains and fetters of God and cast you out of my life in the depth pit and command you never to come into my life again, in the name of Jesus.

9. I return to you your property in my possession in the spirit world including the dowry and whatsoever was used for the marriage and covenants, in the name of Jesus.

10. I drain myself of all evil materials deposited in my body as a result of our sexual relation with the blood of Jesus.

11. Lord, send Holy Ghost fire into my root and burn out all unclean things deposited in it by the spirit husband and wife, in the name of Jesus.

12. I break the head of snake-deposit by the spirit husband or wife to do me harm and command you to come out, in the name of Jesus.

13. I purge out with the blood of Jesus every evil material deposited into my womb to prevent me from having children on earth.

14. Lord, repair and restore every damage done to any part of my body and my earthly marriage by the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

15. I reject and cancel every curse, evil pronouncement, spell, jinx, enchantment and incantation placed upon me by the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.



16. I take back and possess all my earthly belongings in the custody of the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

17. I command the spirit husband or wife to permanently turn his or her back on me forever, in the name of Jesus.

18. I renounce and reject the name given to me by the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

19. I hereby declare and confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is my Husband till eternity, in the name of Jesus.

20. I soak myself in the blood of Jesus and cancel the evil mark or writings placed on me, in the name of Jesus.

21. I set myself free from the stronghold and domineering power and bondage of the spirit husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

22. I paralyse the remote control power being used to destabilise my earthly marriage to hinder my child bearing for my earthly husband or wife, in the name of Jesus.

### **BREAKING COVENANTS AND YOKES**

1. I break every evil covenant with water spirits and the yokes attached to it, in the name of Jesus.

2. I break and cancel every covenant with any idol and the yokes attached to it, in the name of Jesus.

3. I break and cancel any evil covenants entered into by my parents on my behalf and all the yokes attached to them, in the name of Jesus.

4. I command the fire of God to roast the forces of hindrance and obstacles and paralyse their power, in the name of Jesus.

5. Lord, let the Holy Ghost effect immediate breakthrough in every area of my life, in the name of Jesus.

6. I confess that my deliverance shall remain permanent never to be reversed again, in the name of Jesus.