

Ministering to Christians Seeking Spiritual Freedom and Deliverance



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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

Thanksgiving season is here, so let's give thanks to our God for His love, grace, and mercy for us. I encourage you to honor God and give Him thanks for the blessings He has granted you this past year. Sometimes the trials of life can cause us to forget how much He has done, so let's be conscious of our blessings and give Him thanks!

Praises:

Praise God for His timing in bringing people to Life of Freedom Ministries for help. He knows just when to have people call!

Praise God for His continual work of healing. Many times, the client(s) and I want rapid healing. God knows the best pace, leading the person through changes at a speed that is best in the long run.

Praise God for His blessings to Life of Freedom Ministries. Through prayers, words of encouragement, financial support, and more, God has blessed this ministry. He's blessed LFM to be able to bless others, and it is my prayer that LFM has indeed blessed others.

Something to Consider:

Deuteronomy 31:6—*Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.*"

Joshua 1:5—*No one will be able to stand up against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.*

Psalm 9:10—*Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.*

Matthew 28:18-20—¹⁸ *Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me." ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

Christians sometimes experience times in life where God just doesn't seem to be there. The circumstances, whatever they may be, appear overwhelming with a poor outlook. In those times, Scriptures like those listed above can be very encouraging. Knowing that no matter what happens, God will never leave us or forsake us can be a huge relief. Even if we sin in some fashion, He is right there for us. We can confess our sins, move on and walk in victory. It is very easy to have regret and be hard on oneself in these times. However, we need to keep in mind 1 John 1:9: He forgives us of our sins when we confess them. If God can forgive us, we should be able to forgive ourselves!

Sometimes, instead of our own sin, the bad experiences in life are due to others sinning against us.

In those times, the powers of darkness work double time to impress the lie that “God wasn’t there for you.” This very lie is one that I often encounter in ministry sessions. The hurt and pain from traumatic experiences, especially if encountered as a child, leads the person to believe that God wasn’t there, or if He was there, He wanted the pain to happen! The demons then bring up these lies, often when similar experiences happen, to remind the person of what “God thinks of them.”

Satan worshippers especially try to use this lie against young ones. “God doesn’t love you!” or “This [a person who is sexually and physically abusing the person] is Jesus and this is what he thinks of you!” Words like these spoken to a child in the midst of a horrific traumatic event make the lie appear to be overwhelmingly true. In cases like this the person has a hard time trusting God, and the lie is hard to dislodge.

God’s Word is indeed true. He is here and has not forsaken us. The Lord Jesus Himself said that He’d be with us! In ministry sessions, God has proven Himself to be true. He brings healing to those that are hurting and shows the person the truth about Him and the experience. When the lie is exposed and the person believes the truth, freedom comes! Just as Jesus said in John 8:32, the “truth shall set you free!” Remember, the truth is that God will never leave us or forsake us, so we need not be afraid!

Prayer Concerns:

Events: *Life of Freedom Bible Studies*—The next Bible study will be on Monday, November 14th at 6:30pm. All are invited to attend. The study will be on 1 Kings 19. Hot drinks will be available.

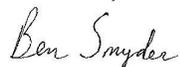
Entering the holidays may bring joy to some. For others, pain is more associated with Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please pray for those who need God to minister to them, and if need be to have that ministry come through Life of Freedom Ministries.

As we approach the end of 2011, please prayerfully consider a year-end contribution to Life of Freedom Ministries. Year-end contributions help to get the following year off to a good start with a base for the times when giving is down! Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of contributing to this ministry. I am extremely blessed and honored by the financial support for this ministry.

Final Thoughts:

Romans 8:31—*What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?* This passage ministered to me in a powerful way when I was a boy. Even before I knew anything about spiritual warfare, God was preparing me with this truth. Since God is for me, it does not matter what the enemy wants or thinks. Sometimes in ministry, demons try to proclaim what they want. I quickly interject and make it clear: it does not matter what *they* want. What matters is what *God* wants. So if He’s for us, the powers of darkness have no hope! Praise God for victory in the Lord Jesus Christ!

In Christ,



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