

# *Ministering to Christians Seeking Spiritual Freedom and Deliverance*



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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

## **Greetings!**

It is hard to believe, but since the beginning of June, I have been working in full time ministry for six years! I'm so grateful to God for His blessing me in allowing me to serve Him in this way, and I'm thankful for your support.

## **Praises:**

For a short time, the number of meetings had slowed. I praise God that He has continued to bring new people to *Life of Freedom Ministries*. I'm honored that I can lend a hand.

Praise God for His work in bringing healing to more who came to this ministry. I'm amazed at how God is always able to bring peace to anxious hearts.

## **Short Report:**

Broken relationships often bring emotional pain, and sometimes that pain can be severe. In the case of this client, the pain lingered and brought trouble for decades. The pain was not resolved with traditional counseling, and unfortunately, the client's pastor didn't entertain the possibility of affliction from demons. It turned out that the hurt and pain in life led to believing lies about God and about this individual person.

I helped the client through prayers of forgiveness for others and for oneself. We invited the Holy Spirit to minister and walk through painful memories. In this case, we revisited the same memories more than once, focusing on a different topic each time. On one occasion, as the hurt and pain from the memory was surrendered to God, the client commented, "It feels like infection is just pouring out of my body!" The Holy Spirit brought healing and peace to the hurt and pain, that day, as He did on other occasions. There was joyful weeping and praise for the living God!

## **Something to Consider:**

**Genesis 8:21**—<sup>21</sup> *The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: "Never again will I curse the ground because of humans, even though every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done."*

**2 Corinthians 5:17**—<sup>17</sup> *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!*

After God flooded the world because of the great amount of evil in the world, He promised that He would never destroy the world as He did in the flood. It is interesting to note that in the verse where He made the promise, God said that "every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood." Such a statement is very sobering: we all since childhood have a heart that tends to choose evil. At times in working in this prayer ministry, a person who comes for help struggles to understand just how evil sin is and how humans have the capacity to be evil. Especially for

some who grow up in churches, the idea is that they are basically good. As Christians, they recognize that they have sinned and do need a savior. However, the reality of the major consequences and problems from sin are overlooked.

Many times, the deliverance from evil spirits stems from actions done prior to salvation, even if the person grew up going to church. Those choices to sin have consequences and one of them may be demonization. The person may have been “mostly good,” but there are still matters that need to be addressed. The person needs to see how serious sin is and how evil the human heart is.

Passages like Genesis 8:21 are helpful for bringing to light the truth that sin is a major problem and that humanity is inclined to be evil and sinful. Our Savior is more than just a person who died for us to go to heaven. Our hearts need to be exchanged for a new heart so that we can live a holy and righteous life that pleases God. Therefore, in the process of pointing out the severity of sin, I must quickly include the Good News. Second Corinthians 5:17 shows the truth: the Lord Jesus has made us into a new creation. He’s given us a new heart! We can be forgiven if we confess our sins and He will set us free! We must continue to live life with the new heart and not return to the evil we used to practice.

**Prayer Concerns:**

Events: *Life of Freedom Bible Studies*—The next monthly Bible study will be on Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. We will study more of the topic of the matter of the heart. All are invited to attend.

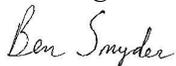
In the last few months, I’ve asked for prayer support for new contributors. This is actually the one aspect of ministry that I like the least: asking for funds or even discussing finances. However, the financial position of *Life of Freedom Ministries* had been at the lowest point in five years. More contributions have helped very much, but we are still behind. Please continue to pray for new contributors and for me to be able to reach people who would like to support LFM. Also, I ask that if you are not a regular financial contributor, that you prayerfully consider donating.

I will be speaking at a local church to the adult Sunday school class in July and August. Please pray for those sessions for Christ to be honored.

**Final Thoughts:**

Christians are new creations in Christ, and our goal is to live as new creations. The enemy wants to condemn us and cause us to live like we don’t have a new heart. We do need to recognize how bad sin is and that we must remain in the Savior to not sin. Praise God! He has not left us alone, but has indeed sent a Savior to transform us into His likeness. His love for us is so immense, I don’t believe that we can fully understand it in this lifetime!

*Serving the Lord Jesus Christ,*



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