

Ministering to Christians Seeking Spiritual Freedom and Deliverance



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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

The leaves have finally started to change colors at my house, and even fall to the ground. The neighboring farmers seem to be finishing up their harvest work, as the fields are cleared. Last month I noted that this season can seem evil, but it is a time for us to celebrate God's many, abundant blessings and provisions. In that respect, it is one of my favorite times of the year.

Praises:

The speaking engagements at GracePoint Church in Nappanee went well and I had an enjoyable time, sharing with the GraceGroup on spiritual warfare.

In October, I was down for about a week with a cold. I'm thankful for God's healing and restoration and that I can be "back in action."

Along with the physical healing, I'm thankful for a renewed sense of purpose in serving Him in ministry. I'm blessed that He has called me, and seek to honor Him.

I'm thankful for God leading me through some unusual cases. Sometimes it is less clear about what the root of one's causes are, and God helped the clients, and me, to discern the causes.

Short Report:

At the first ministry session, this client was really interested in being there. The client came as a supporter, but didn't think too highly of this type of ministry. (This actually happens frequently). Both obediently went through the process of confession of sins, and recognition of sins that were done against him/her. The process was for the most part done without much emotion at all. However, when the Holy Spirit was invited to take the person to a painful memory from childhood, the emotions unexpectedly poured out. The client expressed hurt, pain, shame, and embarrassment that came from the event. The wonderful and greatest part was that then the client basked in God's presence and accepted His gift of healing for the wounds. The person's face radiated joy like I had not seen before. The client came a doubter, and left a believer in God's presence and healing hand!

Something to Consider:

Zephaniah 3:17—¹⁷ *The LORD your God is with you,
the Mighty Warrior who saves.
He will take great delight in you;
in his love he will no longer rebuke you,
but will rejoice over you with singing.*"

More times than I can count, I've experienced in ministry people who struggle with the thought of God delighting in him or her. Some days, I find it hard to believe as well! The short report and the Scripture passage above give testimony to the TRUTH of God's love of us. Often, I hear

something to the effect of, “That may apply to others, but it does not apply to me! Sure, God loves me and sent Jesus to be my Savior, but I’m not really special to Him, or anybody really.” What a lie of Satan! He’d like us all to feel that God views us individually in that way. Notice the key word in the previous sentence: *feels*. We may feel that God sees us in a negative way, but feelings are not always the truth.

It is true that Zephaniah 3:17 has a line that “he will no longer rebuke you...” Certainly, that shows that God does rebuke those He loves. I for one don’t enjoy being rebuked too much! The idea of being rebuked may be sidestepped. Instead we need to take rebukes as helpful. Also, it is important that we can get beyond the rebuke, learn from it, and allow God to rejoice over us. Satan wants us to wallow in the hurt of being chastised so that we won’t be able to walk in victory over him and his host. Let’s look at what a wonderful place God has for us! He takes *great delight* and *will rejoice over you with singing*. God does those things to us!

The case report above showed that it was difficult for the person had to address some sins and then even things done against the person because it was like a rebuke. After that was done, the person felt that God was delighted in him/her and there was rejoicing. The session became very emotional for us and it was an amazing experience. God showed in a very real way His delight in this person.

Prayer Concerns:

Events: *Life of Freedom Bible Studies*—The next monthly Bible study will be on Monday, November 11th at 6:30pm. It would be fabulous for you to join us!

As 2014 grows near, if you are considering a year-end donation to a non-profit organization, please consider *Life of Freedom Ministries!* The year-ends are a huge blessing for establishing finances for the following year.

There are two speaking engagements scheduled for November. Please pray for those sessions that I will be able to communicate God’s truth to those attending.

Final Thoughts:

Indeed, the promise above is for all believers! *It does apply to you!* At the coming Bible study, we will look at this topic of God’s love for each of us specifically, individually. I believe that it is valuable for all believers to learn this and then be reminded of the truth.

Serving the Lord Jesus Christ,



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