

Ministering to Christians Seeking Spiritual Freedom



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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

I'm glad to have the privilege to write another monthly newsletter. Writing each month causes me to take time to reflect on the previous month, and take note of the changes over the course of the year. Already it is November, and we will be heading into the holiday season with Thanksgiving. (In fact, stores already have Christmas items on display!) I pray that these coming months will be a time of joy and celebration for you and your family.

Special Note:

As we approach the end of 2015, I kindly ask that you prayerfully consider a year-end donation to LFM. The contributions at the end of the year do a great deal to boost the finances for the following year. Also, the contributions have decreased over the course of the year for various reasons, so the year-end would be a big help this year as the need is greater than in years past! Remember that when you give to support LFM, you are supporting many hurting people, many who are not even able to work because of their spiritual and emotional condition. The Short Report about Mr. H below is a good example of this. Finally, checks can be made out simply to "LFM" for your convenience. Thank you!

Praises:

I praise God for how He continues to answer prayer for ministry sessions. On multiple occasions, I had some specific prayer for ministry sessions for discernment and the right words for the session. He blessed me and the client on those occasions by being faithful and leading us through.

I praise God for His work in those who are coming for ministry, and I'm not even referring to the time the client is in my office for sessions. It is wonderful to hear from the clients how He has been leading the client to freedom and healing between sessions.

I praise God for the Biblical truth that in Christ, we are already conquerors and that we don't need to continue to be victims of the enemy's work any longer.

Short Report:

Life was increasingly getting worse for Mr. H. He had lost many friends and lost his job. In fact, he felt that it was not possible for him to keep a job. Spirits controlled his life, and made him say many things that he did not want to say and act in ways he did not want to act! He was embarrassed by this, and went out into public very little. In the course of surveying what could be giving these spirits legal ground, it was found that his ancestors were involved in Satan worship.

The ancestors' rituals of Satan worship still had significant consequences on Mr. H. For example, the demons claimed a particular curse was put on him eight generations back. Their purpose for the curse was for him to be the anti-Christ! He took authority of that curse in the name of Jesus Christ and declared it to be cancelled. The demon for that particular curse had no more right to stay with him. Many other curses of this nature needed to be broken in Jesus name before Mr. H could be free.

Something to Consider:

Mark 5:1-5—¹They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. ²When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. ³This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. ⁴For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

Luke 9:37-40—³⁷The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him. ³⁸A man in the crowd called out, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child. ³⁹A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not.”

When comparing the Short Report about Mr. H with the two passages of Scripture from Mark and Luke, I hope the similarities are evident to you. The man in Mark 5 and the boy in Luke 9 were severely afflicted by demons. The affliction was to the point that they could barely function. In fact, at the end of the account in Mark 5, it is noted that the man was in his “right mind” (verse 15). The evil spirits had enough control of him that he couldn’t think as he was normally able to think.

These examples are on the more extreme end of a continuum of demonization, and that is what it is, a continuum. I’m very thankful that Bible translations are moving away from using the term “demon possession.” This term seems so absolute and all or nothing, which is not reality. A person can be afflicted by evil spirits in varying degrees. In some cases, the person can function normally, and the people around him or her would have no idea that something is troubling the person. The person simply knows that something is not right. From that low level affliction to the extreme cases note above, are a variety of ways a person can be demonized. The trouble is that the problems tend to become more intense and troubles get worse over the years so that by the time they come to LFM for assistance, working even part time is difficult. Even if the person has a job, many times the demonic affliction seems to involve robbing the person of financial security.

Because of this, LFM does not charge those who come for ministry. I accept donations from those able to donate, but there is no fee for ministry. When you financially support LFM, you are lending a hand to those who have been burdened by demons in various ways. I am so grateful for how so many are willing to support this ministry and care for those in need.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for the clients with whom I’m presently working. A few of them have long held strongholds due to serious wounds as children. They need the power of the living God at work in them to help them remember the truth of being in Christ.

Please pray for the coming season for ministry. Some years, November and December are busy, as family gatherings bring out hurt that people want to address.

Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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