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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

The month of January was a full month of ministry, and it seemed to roll by quickly. Even with another week of quarantine due to exposure to covid-19, I was able to have a number of phone and video meetings. Also, this month it has become increasingly apparent that many believers are burdened by the forces of darkness for many reasons. This last week, I read again 2 Kings 9, where Jehu is anointed by a prophet of God to take down the line of King Ahab and his wife, Jezebel, due to their involvement in idolatry and witchcraft. In verse 22, Jehu asks a question, “How can there be peace, as long as all the idolatry and witchcraft of your mother Jezebel abound?” Could it be the increasing lack of peace for people and even the country as a whole is due to the increasing involvement of people in idolatry and witchcraft? Could it be the powers of darkness have greater ability to attack because of the witchcraft and the inactivity of Christians to resist these works? I believe it to be the case the increase of involvement in dark practices has increased the trouble in our land. When evil abounds, there is a lack of peace. The Short Report this month notes how one parent’s evil caused a tremendous lack of peace for a man who was abused. Nothing has changed from the time of Jehu in 2 Kings 9. When people get involved with evil, serious negative consequences follow.

Praises:

I praise God for the fact that even though the powers of darkness are very active, they are still ultimately a defeated foe. Romans 8 makes clear that no matter what the forces of darkness do (note that verses 38-39 are references to evil spirits that were well known to the people of that day), they cannot separate us from God’s love.

I praise God for how in the last month that a number of people were set free from life-long burdens. Sometimes people need multiple sessions for freedom, but on a few occasions, one is enough.

Short Report:

Not being able to control one’s anger, or even rage, is very scary. It is scary for those around the angry one as well. Mr. QQ would become enraged to the point of physical violence when he felt challenged or questioned. He had felt that way his whole life, as his mother would often belittle him and make him feel that he was not good enough. I addressed the great need for him to see that God determines his worth, not his mom or anyone else. He needed healing from the lie that he wasn’t good enough and the hurt of how he was treated. We then confronted spirits, cancelling their rights to Mr. QQ due to the ancestral sin and the trauma from the abuse. We found four spirits at that point. Condemned, Fear, and Rage were inherited from his mother. They were causing Mr. QQ to act just as his mother had done! The fourth was Arrogance. In his desire to be good enough, he had taken on an arrogant persona, and the demon quickly claimed residence (probably because he presented the idea in the first place). The demons were cast out, as their ground was cancelled. A sense of broken relief came upon Mr. QQ. He will need to learn to walk in his freedom and choose to be different, but he’s not powerless and can choose to be kind.

Something to Consider:

Ephesians 4:31—³¹ *Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.*

John 8:44—⁴⁴ *You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*

In the January newsletter, I wrote about the trouble of not forgiving. Ephesians 4:31 was used as a reference for that newsletter, and I use it again for February. It is necessary for believers to get rid of anger and rage. Other translations use wrath, mad, and hot tempers instead of rage or anger. I must point out two things in regard to anger (I'll just use anger for all of these). First, evil spirits do not claim residence for a person simply getting angry. Instead, the trouble comes when the person maintains the anger, and is not forgiving, or when a person is easily angered and has a hot temper. There have been clients who had believed that just getting angry was a sin and they felt guilty for being angry when it was appropriate to be angry. Mr. QQ was right to be angry about the abuse he endured when it happened. However, the continuing anger was a problem.

Second, not every time a person gets angry, even really angry, means that a demon is involved. A spirit of darkness may be involved, but it isn't a guarantee. The pattern of getting angry, enraged, having a hot temper, or showing wrath repeatedly shows the likelihood of spirits of darkness being involved. Mr. QQ was one who was easily angered, and when he became angry it was so intense he'd forget what happened. Then he'd be angry for being accused of actions he didn't remember doing, at least not done to the degree that others saw and experienced. The spirits' work on him was strong so that his whole personality changed.

For Mr. QQ, the evil spirits were able to hold him due to the lie he believed that he wasn't good enough along with the inherited curse of rage and anger. The lie was literally pounded into him, and it made him angry that he wasn't good enough. When the Lord ministered to Mr. QQ, and he realized that it was a lie that he wasn't good enough, he didn't need to be angry anymore. He didn't feel challenged when questioned, so he didn't have the same hot temper. The evil choices of his mother led to more actions of evil by him, hurting many people around him because of the lie he believed. He greatly did not want to do the things he did and was very sad when he realized it was true he was violent and mean when angry. The experience of confronting the demon made it clear that what others said was true. The Lord Jesus set a captive free of a lie and the anger that came from the lie. He had peace in his heart like he had never felt before.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for continued discernment for a particular case that has been difficult for some time. Multiple layers of evil from Satan worshipping ancestors can take much time to get to full freedom.

Please pray for God's ongoing work helping to schedule appointments so people can get needed help.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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