



# Life of Freedom MINISTRIES

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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

## Greetings!

We've come to the month of Valentine's Day. With the focus on romantic love, I decided to focus this month about how inappropriate practices in regard to physical intimacy can have a negative spiritual impact. Certainly, God has blessed men and women to be able to enjoy such intimacy, provided it is done in a marriage between a man and a woman. This truth has been increasingly challenged for decades. My prayer is that the truth becomes evident through sharing the negative consequences of sinful sexual activity.

## Praises:

I praise God for His timing in bringing people to LFM. The ministry here is just a small part of how He works in people's lives to lead them to trust in Him.

I praise God for His working in a client recently, helping the client to see his burdens really are spiritual.

## Short Report:

Sometimes after hearing a client share his or her life's story, it is evident why the client would have evil spirits. For other times, it isn't always clear. For Mr. OO, it wasn't really clear why they were with him, but it definitely seemed clear that he was afflicted by evil spirits. His life was not full of sinful activities. However, he struggled being impulsive, especially in regard to sexual practices. He had a number partners prior to marriage, and then had some affairs when he was married. The sexually impulsive actions were increasingly harder to control, and he came to LFM for freedom from the powers that afflicted him. We spent time confessing to God the entire sin base in his life as well as that of his ancestry. He cancelled the soul ties to each sexual partner and then cancelled the ground any evil spirits may have held on him in Jesus' name. We then, in the name of Jesus Christ, ordered the spirits to come to attention and identify themselves. Even though I ordered them to give their function names, these spirits insisted on giving their demonic names. For instance, the chief spirit was Latherum. I had to repeat the order to give the function name, and he finally said, Lust. Other spirits named Addiction, Greed, Deceit, and Lies accompanied Lust. It was never fully discovered what the initial ground Lust had, but I suspect it was inherited from his ancestors. Nonetheless, Jesus Christ is more powerful than evil spirits. In His name, they were all cast out and Mr. OO left in peace.

## Something to Consider:

**1 Corinthians 6:15-17**—<sup>15</sup> *Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never!* <sup>16</sup> *Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh."* <sup>17</sup> *But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit.*

I recently heard a Youtuber say the idea of "soul ties" is unbiblical. He went over these texts that I have used for this newsletter. He also used other Scripture that others use to prove soul ties. His review of those

passages, I believe was accurate. Soul ties may be “unbiblical” in the sense that the Bible does not clearly use the term or explain the idea. However, the idea of soul ties are not *anti-biblical*. There is one passage that is helpful for understanding soul ties, and it is quoted by both Jesus and Paul. In Genesis 2:24, God gives the background for proper marriage and sexual activity between man and woman. *For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.* Jesus affirms this in Matthew 19:5, when He was questioned about divorce. The Apostle Paul also reinforces this truth in 1 Corinthians 6:16. He was addressing the issue of a Christian uniting with a prostitute in sexual activity. Paul then adds in verse 18 to *flee from sexual immorality* because the sexual sin is uniting one to another person in an unholy way that dishonors God. The two become one in some fashion. There is a unity between them.

Experience in ministering to people who are afflicted by evil spirits has shown that the degree of unity that comes to two people who engage in sexual activity is more than just physical. This union is often called a soul tie, and it is also emotional and spiritual. Because of this connection, evil spirits can easily transfer from one person to the other. This transfer can happen even when one party is not wanting the sexual activity. The two people are connected in ways hard to explain, and evil spirits use this connection as much as they can to afflict a person.

The good news is that the power of Christ is greater than the power and claims of these evil spirits. By confessing to God all sexual activity that is done outside of marriage, cancelling the claims of the spirits, and cancelling the soul ties that were created, a person can be set free. Then the Holy Spirit can bring restoration to the person so he or she can be fully connected to his or her spouse. Experiences of confronting evil spirits has shown the reality of soul ties to be true. For example, evil spirits will try to flee the confrontation and go to those partners who were forgotten and not listed in the prayers. Also, the spirits may try to flee and go to the person’s spouse, even if the spouse is in the room, unless forbidden to do so. People who are active in the dark practices of sorcery, magic, and witchcraft, are aware of this reality and use soul ties to do their occult practices against others. Because of the soul tie, they can even send an evil spirit to interfere with a ministry session. These spirits were confronted and admitted they could come to the session because of the soul tie between the client and the one sending the spirit. Once the soul ties were broken, those spirits who were sent or had already been with the client were evicted in Jesus’ name. They were not allowed to return to the sender! Jesus came to set the captives free (Luke 4), and a significant component in that freedom is to be released from soul ties. When we repent of our sins and confess the sexual sins done against us, He will set us free from the bondage of a soul tie created outside of marriage.

**Prayer Concerns:**

Please continue to pray for a client who has a living situation with great opposition to fighting spiritual battles. His own church dismisses his experiences.

Please pray for another client who has a home situation of spiritual darkness and seems to be trapped in that living condition.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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