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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

I hope the late spring, early summer has been one of peace for you. For me and my family, we've enjoyed many opportunities for ball games, family gatherings, time with friends, and some time to care for our property. I enjoy it all. However, when the heat and humidity gets high, my energy level gets zapped quickly, and I can feel rather sluggish. Good rest, some of Angela's good cooking, and lots of water is necessary to build up the energy. In the same way, spiritual issues can cause one to feel a similar kind of sluggishness. It brings to mind 3 John 2—*Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.* When a person is loaded with the spiritual burdens that evil spirits bring, even the health of the body is affected.

Praises:

I praise God for His powerful working in a client that I've noted in the "Prayer Concerns" section in the past. The Living God is active, and was working powerfully in him recently to encourage him to press on toward freedom. The burden of the enemy had almost shut him down, but God's working overcame the enemy.

Important Note:

Some changes have developed in the road construction that is on County Road 38, which impacts travel to the LFM office. The intersection of County Roads 35 & 38 is now open. A "Road Closed to Thru Traffic" sign is in place for those going west on County Road 38 from County Road 35. However, it is passable so that one can get to the LFM office. Accessing through County Road 33 is possible, but it is discouraged by the road construction company. The intersection of County Roads 31 & 38 is now open, but travelling east on County Road 38 is limited to only a half mile east of the intersection. As I noted last month, at some point, our driveway will even need to be rerouted as they do work on the ditch that runs along our property. Also, clients have noted that map programs on their phones have told them they've reached the destination when they get to the road closed signs. I do apologize for the inconvenience and messy roads. However, the finished product should be very nice.

Short Report:

Psychic power is not always a sham, as some Christians believe. There are people who really do tap into the powers of the spirit realm. The consequences, though, are terrible. Ms. JJ suffered from afflictions after just being "prayed" over on two occasions by two different people who had psychic powers. One was a friend who claimed to be a psychic. Another was a friend who was involved in Theosophy, a practice of mediumship to contact the dead. She had started the process of working toward freedom with Dean Hochstetler years before. With Dean, she had addressed many matters, but didn't see it through. The mental torment increased, and she was repeatedly abused since meeting with Dean. She confessed to God all the enemy could use to afflict her and cancelled their claims on her. We then confronted the spirits finding Insanity, Senility, and Pantheon present. These spirits had no ground to stay, admitting they were there due to the connections to the two psychics. The problem was not solved though, and we had to meet a number of times over the course of a year. There were many spirits that were sent against her by others who were aware of

the spirit realm situation for Ms. JJ. We had to cancel their works of darkness and the spiritual connections that were established that they used to send the spirits. The situation was serious enough that people were sending evil spirits to our meetings to try and stop us from setting her free. The work to freedom took some time, but the spirits were evicted and Ms. JJ was set free.

Something to Consider:

Isaiah 2:6—⁶ *You, LORD, have abandoned your people, the descendants of Jacob. They are full of superstitions from the East; they practice divination like the Philistines and embrace pagan customs.*

Jeremiah 14:14—¹⁴ *Then the LORD said to me, "The prophets are prophesying lies in my name. I have not sent them or appointed them or spoken to them. They are prophesying to you false visions, divinations, idolatries, and the delusions of their own minds.*

In the Old Testament, the prophets thundered at the involvement of the people in what some now call psychic power. Tied to idol worship, the prophets proclaimed these practices to be evil. What is a psychic? When one does a basic internet search, the definition is this: a person considered or claiming to have psychic powers; a medium. Synonyms include clairvoyant, soothsayer, prophet, and fortune telling. As I noted in the "Short Report," many consider these people to be purely charlatans and have no real power. Jeremiah seems to note that it is possible that some of these works of psychics are that: "delusions of their own minds." This kind of psychic is willing to deceive just to make a dollar. However, some psychics do legitimately have a power beyond themselves. The definition for a medium in the *Dictionary of Cults, Sects, Religions, and the Occult* is: the occult term for one who acts as an intermediary between the spirit world and the physical world. Mediums make use of various objects such as Ouija boards, drawings, rappings, noises, etc. to convey a message from spirits to the living. Often the medium serves as the spokesperson for the spirit realm. Therefore, the psychic/medium has a supernatural ability that isn't of him/herself.

When one uses the services of a psychic, it is possible for spirits to reside with that person, as with Ms. JJ. Plus, those involved in the evil powers can use these connections to continue to send even more spirits. The Good News is, Jesus Christ is victor over these spirits and the works of darkness that people can do. An experience like Ms. JJ's can be very disconcerting. However, two main points come from this newsletter. First, if a person is involved with a psychic, Jesus Christ is capable of bringing freedom. Second, it is not a good idea to be involved in psychic abilities or phenomena. Psychic power may look harmless or fake to some, or really fascinating to others. Even if the psychic is a fraud, evil spirits can take advantage to afflict the person. The suggestions given can cause a person to believe in many lies, and a negative prediction by the psychic can bring mental and emotional turmoil. Therefore, in the end, being involved with a psychic only brings trouble.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for a particular client who has a very limited support structure. This person greatly needs prayers of believers to take authority over the spirits, and prayers for encouragement of the Holy Spirit to press on.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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