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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

Shall trouble or hardship separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus? Not at all! We are entering a season that can be spiritually trying. The people in league with the powers of darkness have a number of celebrations in September and October. However, no matter the amount of work by those who choose to do evil, they cannot ultimately separate us from God. The actions of the powers of darkness can indeed create trouble and hardship. If we trust in Him, though, any of the dark things done against us can be used for good. I encourage you to remember this if you do encounter some difficulties in the coming months.

Praises:

I praise God for His ministering to a hurting teen. When a youth has been down, feeling guilty and not good enough, it is a joy to see God minister and bring peace.

I praise God for His kindness to me through encouragement from another letter expressing thanks for the help from LFM. I'm very glad to hear of a person experiencing more and more victory after being able to confront the lies of the enemy.

I praise God for being able to lend a hand to a person who has often been rejected and not believed. It is very painful for a person being afflicted by spirits to be accused of making things up or having mental illness. The person is clearly a target of demonic attack, and the person continues to worship God and live for Him.

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Short Report:

The enemy can be very subtle in his attacks on a person's mind. Ms. LL was troubled with thoughts that if she was not perfect, others would get hurt in some fashion. These thoughts caused her a great deal of anxiety, and she had not thought of the possibility that the source of these thoughts were evil spirits. She was referred to LFM by a friend, and was uncertain about what to expect. I did my best to ease the uncertainty, noting that I rarely guarantee anything was demonic. Instead, we approached it as if it was demonic and then addressed the spirit realm. If things got better, then we can know the problem was spiritual in nature. However, if things didn't get better, it can mean that we needed to go deeper into discerning the spiritual problem, or it isn't spiritual in nature after all. We went through the normal process of specifically confessing all sin that had not been confessed and canceling the ground any evil spirits may hold. After a couple of ministry sessions, things did get better for her, but wasn't quite great. At another session, we were able to get to the chief spirits that were instigating the problems: Crazy Thoughts and Sadness. The enemy subtly told her

that it was up to her to behave or else others would be hurt. Giving in to this lie allowed Crazy Thoughts to increasingly do just that: bring crazy thoughts to her mind. From that platform, the other spirits were able to contribute to her problems. Once the original lie was rejected and the ground cancelled, he had to go, and did so. Then all the demons were evicted in Jesus' name. I prayed a blessing over her of having a clear, sound mind. She seemed so relieved and at peace. A note sent at a later date confirmed she was free and doing well.

Something to Consider:

Isaiah 2:6—⁶You, 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.

In the last few weeks, I have been able to watch a few Major League Baseball games. Also, I anticipate the coming football season. My experience with sports has reminded me of how superstitions are often a part of players' and fans' game day practices. In baseball, players won't step on the foul line or talk about a no hitter when a pitcher is throwing one. In football, fans will wear their good luck jersey on game day. Somehow, they want to bring good luck to their team and not jinx them.

By doing these things, how do people believe it is going to work? In reality, they are giving power to something in the spirit realm other than God. Ms. LL shows how superstitions develop. In order for something bad to not happen, or cause something good to happen, she had to be precise on her behavior. She couldn't trust in God to intervene, or reject the lie that she was responsible for such things. As is seen in Isaiah 2:6, superstitions are tied together with sorcery or witchcraft. The greater degree of sorcery or witchcraft, the more likely there will be superstitions in a person's life. Although many joke about such things and take them lightly, they really do create spiritual bondage for people.


If you sense that: you are bad luck, need to be perfect so bad things don't happen, feel that you must follow specific routines or rituals for protection, carry a particular item for protection or good luck, or even knock on wood so something bad doesn't happen, I encourage you to reject such notions. These things give power to the enemy to influence our actions. The more we listen, the greater power they have. You too can be free from these things as Ms. LL. Indeed, trust in God and live by His Spirit instead of trusting superstitious actions.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for me as this season is usually a time of greater intensity and quantity of ministry sessions.

Please pray for a particular client who has limited resources for support in dealing with spiritual matters. These kinds of cases are often very difficult as the person has to fight the spiritual battles alone. They need our prayer support greatly.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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