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FREEDOM FROM DEMONS

INTRODUCTION: There is no reference in the Old Testament about deliverance from demons. This power came with the presence of Jesus Christ on earth. I John 3:8 **“He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.”** The good news is we have been translated from Satan’s kingdom to the kingdom of Christ. Colossians 1:3 **“Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.”** The hope of freedom from demons came under the authority of Jesus Christ. It was a transmitted authority from the Father to Jesus. A new day dawned with Jesus Christ and His righteousness.

I. THE _____ OF DEMONS

A. Who are they? They are disembodied spirits looking for a place to dwell

B. Where are they from? Different views

1. Pre-adamic race that died and the spirits of these people remain on earth
2. Came from co-habitation of fallen angels & women – Nephilim were born on earth Gen. 6
3. Were fallen angels cast out of heaven with Satan. Satan took 1/3 of the angels with him.

These spirits are under Satan’s dominion. Scriptures: **Fallen angels fly... demons walk** “When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.” Matt. 12:43

I believe demons are the disembodied spirits of dead people from the flood... born of angels and women.

Fallen Angels are reserved unto judgment.

C. Why are they here?

1. To expand Satan’s kingdom of darkness.
2. To kill and destroy men and women and take them to hell.

II. THE _____ OF DEMONS

A. They are operating illegally on earth. **“The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof”**

B. They are subject to the laws of the spirit world – They are limited in their power

Two laws of the spirit world they operate in: They are territorial ... They go by commands!

Eph. 4:27 **“Give no place to the devil...”** Mark 5:8 “said to him, **“Come out of the man, unclean spirit!”**

C. They lie and deceive – put up a false front. **“Goes about as a roaring lion”** Really isn’t one!

D. They operate in a spirit of pride, rebellion and fear.

E. They can easily be displaced when knowledge of Jesus Christ’s power is embraced

III. THE _____ OF DEMONIC FORCES

A. Their levels of authority given by Satan. Principalities, powers, rulers of darkness

B. Their ultimate end. They know they are destined to hell. Matthew 25:41 **“Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.”**

C. Their final destiny

1. Cast out of heavens. Revelation 12:9 **“So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”**

2. Told their time is short. Matthew 8:29 **“Have you come to torture us before our time?”**

3. Bound forever in the darkness of hell’s fire.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE IN THE HEAVENLIES

INTRODUCTION: We learned last teaching that Satan operates from two spiritual fronts. On earth he uses demons or evil spirits to attack and expand his kingdom. From the heavenlies he uses his fallen angels who are formed under his governmental structure called principalities, powers and rulers of darkness. We are going to study his operation from the heavenlies today. We also learned that evil spirits or demons were the disembodied spirits of those who died in the flood. They had been born from the relationship of the fallen angels who saw the women and formed relationships with them so that their offspring were the Nephilim.

I. THE _____ OF SATAN

A. The prince of Tyre illustrates him. Ezekiel 28:1-2 ***“Son of man, say to the prince of Tyre, ‘Thus says the Lord God: “Because your heart is lifted up, And you say, ‘I am a god, I sit in the seat of gods, In the midst of the seas,’ Yet you are a man, and not a god, Though you set your heart as the heart of a god.”***

1. Pride “Your heart is lifted up”

2. Self promotion “I am”, “I sit”

3. Riches & Power “Your heart is lifted up because of your riches.”

4. Warning from God ***God says, “I will bring strangers against you, the most terrible of the nations; and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom, and defile your splendor”.*** Ezekiel 28:7

B. The king of Tyre defines him. Shows how Satan operates in kings in high places.....

Satan’s original nature

1. Seal of perfection, full of wisdom and beauty. (covered with precious stones with timbrels & pipes)

2. The anointed cherub covering the throne on the holy mountain of God.

Isaiah 14:12-14 ***“How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.”***

II. THE _____ OF SATAN

A. Weaken the nations.

1. By influencing leaders

2. By infecting societies

B. Destroy cities, made the world a wilderness, did not open the house of his prisoners.

III. THE _____ OF SATAN

A. Destroyed by the power of the resurrection. Ephesians 1:20-21 ***“His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.”***

B. Destroyed by the armor of believers. Ephesians 16:11-12 ***“For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age,^[a] against spiritual hostsof wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.”***

C. Destroyed by the war in the heavenlies. Rev. 12:9 “So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”

VICTORY OVER DEMONS ON EARTH

INTRODUCTION: We battle Satan on two levels. In the heavenlies with fallen angels, and on earth with disembodied evil spirits. We must administer biblical strategies on these 2 levels. Paul says we wrestle not with flesh and blood, but with principalities, powers and rulers of the darkness of this world from the 2nd heavens. Because the enemy is a spirit working over and upon this world, we must employ spiritual weapons. 2 Corinthians 10:4 **“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds.”** Satan establishes territorial strongholds. He works on earth through our minds and bodies, and he works in heaven by princes & rulers. Today I want to talk about his earthly strategies.

I. MAN _____ SATAN’S AUTHORITY

Satan’s first attack. He reveals his secrets in Genesis 3:6

A. Man is given a marvelous body... but it must be sacrificed daily (5 senses)

- Satan said.. – use of Eve’s ears **“He said to the woman...”** - Woman saw – use of Eve’s eyes **“So when the woman saw that the tree was good...”** - Woman touched – use of Eve’s hands **“She took of its fruit”** - Woman ate – use of Eve’s mouth **“And did eat and gave also to her husband and he did eat..”**

B. Man is given a marvelous mind. “What a man thinketh in his heart, so is he..” A thought becomes an action, an action becomes a habit and a habit becomes a destiny.

- How does Satan attack our minds? Through words... - He lies... He makes us doubt God’s goodness. He said, “God is withholding good from you.” - He deceives... “God knows in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened.”

II. DEMONS _____ SATAN’S AUTHORITY

A. They teach through emissaries. I Timothy 4:1 **“The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will depart from their faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.”**

B. They blind unbelievers to the truth of the gospel. II Cor. 4:4 **“The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”** (called hindering spirits)

C. Inflict sickness. Luke 8:2 **“And a certain woman who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities-Mary called Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons.”**

D. Oppress people. Acts 10:38 **“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.”**

E. Dwell in dry places. Luke 11:24 **“When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none, he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’”**

III. JESUS _____ SATAN'S AUTHORITY

A. Jesus practiced deliverance ministry. Luke 4:35 ***“Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, What a word this is! For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out.”***

B. Jesus gave us authority to cast out demons. Luke 10:19 ***“Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”***

C. Jesus gave us authority to recover ourselves from demons control. II Tim. 2:25-26 ***“In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; and that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.”***

D. Where does our power come from? Name of Jesus. Acts 16:18 ***“I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.”***

WEAPONS OF WARFARE

Armor of God – Ephesians 6:10 - 18

INTRODUCTION: God has not left us defenseless. As Paul wrote from prison, he noticed the armor of the Roman soldiers. There he saw a perfect picture of our identity in Christ.

I. OUR _____ IN CHRIST – SPIRIT

A. Our strength is found “in the Lord” 6:10 ***“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.”***

B. Our battleground is found in the spirit realm of the heavenlies. 6:12 ***“against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.”***

II. OUR _____ IN CHRIST – ARMOR

“Having these things” - Our position in Christ

A. Girdle of Truth ***“Girding your waist with truth”***

John 17:17 ***“Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.”***

Colossians 1:5 ***“because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel.”***

B. Breastplate of Righteousness ***“having the breastplate of righteousness”***

- His righteousness is the foundation of the kingdom. It is the total provision of Christ and His work for us, in us and through us. Key: Philippians 3:9 ***“And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith.”***

C. Feet shod with the preparation of the gospel ***“Feet shod with preparation of the gospel”***

“Taking these thing” - Our action in Christ

D. Shield of Faith – Releasing the provision of heaven to earth. Faith activates the entire armor and protects us from fiery darts of Satan. Thoughts that violate our standing and position in Christ.

E. Helmet of Salvation – Our minds are the birthplace of our kingdom thinking. We must actively bring every thought into captivity to Christ. We have the mind of Christ. 1 Corinthians 2:16 ***“For who***

has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ.”

F. Sword of the Spirit – word of God – This one offensive weapon was used by Christ to defeat Satan in the wilderness. But we must know how to wield the sword. 2 Timothy 3:15 ***“And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.”***

2 Timothy 2:15 ***“Study to shew yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”***

2 Timothy 3:16 ***“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”***

III. OUR _____ – PRAYER

A. Praying always. Ephesians. 6:18 ***“Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit.”***

B. Watching with perseverance and supplication. I Tim. 6:18b ***“being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.”***

1 Peter 5:8 ***“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”***

BUILDING A LIFE UNDER DIVINE PROTECTION

INTRODUCTION: We walk by revelation of who Christ is and who we are “in Him”. All the resources of heaven are at our disposal for victory. But there are certain truths that we must embrace, understand and practice. ***“lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.”*** II Cor. 2:11 What can we do to shut the door to Satan in our lives?

I. UNDERSTAND CHRIST’S _____ POWER.

“He had blessed us with all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus”

A. The power of full sonship - Adoption by the FATHER

Jesus is the Way, but the Father is the destination (Have you found your father) ***“No one comes to the Father but through me”***. ***“He that has seen me, has seen the Father”***.

Hebrews 1: ***“Chose us before the foundation of the world”*** v- 5

“In Him also we have obtained an inheritance.” v- 11

Satan said, “If you are the son of God.”

B. The power of full cleansing by His blood - Redemption by the SON

“Makes us holy and without blame before Him in love” v- 4

C. The power of full inheritance - ***“you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession.”***

Eph. 1:13-14 ***“In Him also we have obtained an inheritance.”*** v- 11

II. UNDERSTAND CHRIST’S _____ POWER - New Creation Power for life.

Romans 1:4 ***“And declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.”***

Philippians 3:10 ***“That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.”***

Why is the resurrection so powerful?

A. Legally established the defeat of Satan. I Corinthians 15:24-25 *“Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power for He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.”*

B. Legally destroyed the power of the second death. I Corinthians 15:20 *“But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.”*
Revelation 20:6 *“Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”*

C. Legally established a NEW KIND OF CREATION. I Cor. 15:47-49 *“The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven. And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.”*

III. UNDERSTAND CHRIST’S _____ POWER

Revelation 21:5 *“Then He who sat on the throne said, ‘Behold, I make all things new.’ And He said to me, ‘Write, for these words are true and faithful.’”*

Romans 8:21 *“Because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.”*

Acts 3:21 *“whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.”*

9 SIGNS OF DEMONS

INTRODUCTION: Satan appears as an angel of light. Movies like the Exorcist manifest radical manifestations like people’s head spinning and people crawling on ceilings. These are not real but for Hollywood movies. What is real is that many people are definitely oppressed and even possessed by demons and they don’t even know it. What are the biblical characteristics of demon influence on both true believers and the unsaved? How do we get free? Today is a radical journey into your personal freedom.

1. DEMONS RESIST _____ AND _____
1 John 4:3 *“And every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.”*

2. DEMONS CAUSE A _____ TONGUE
John 8:43b-44 *“When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it. ⁴⁵ But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me.”*

3. DEMON ARE _____
John 8:43a *“You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him.”*

4. DEMON SPIRITS BRING _____ & _____
Mark 9:18 *“And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.”*

5. DEMONS BRING _____, _____ AND _____
Luke 8:2 *“And certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities—Mary called*

Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons.”

Matthew 9:32-33 **“As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil.”**

6. DEMONS BRING _____ AND _____

Acts 10:38 **“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”**

7. DEMONS BRING _____ & ARE _____

Revelation 12:10 **“And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.”**

8. DEMONS BRING SPIRITUAL _____

2 Corinthians 4:4 **“In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”**

9. DEMONS ATTACK YOUR _____ AND _____ (Cause sexual perversion)

Luke 8:27 **“And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had **demons** for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs.”**

THE PATHWAY TO FREEDOM:

1. Submit your body to Christ and declare yourself under the blood of Jesus. Repent! Repent!
2. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill your body, mind and soul with His Presence
3. Command every evil spirit to leave your body, mind and soul.
4. Ask Jesus to fill every area of deliverance with His Presence through The Holy Spirit

SATAN'S LAST STAND

INTRODUCTION: One of the best ways to describe Satan and his activity is through his names. He is called many things in the bible, but those that stand out as part of his definition are: liar, murdered, deceiver, prince of darkness, accuser, tempter, thief and ruler of this world system. Satan's activities are clearly defined and his demise is clearly outlined. Today we look at Satan's last stand!

I. HIS KINGDOM OF _____

A. He operates under permissive reign.

1. He was given permission to accomplish God's purpose.

Job 1:12 **“And the Lord said to Satan, ‘Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person. So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.’”**

2. He is given place in our lives only through legal means.

Ephesians 4:25-27 **“Only we can give place to the devil! Therefore, putting away lying, Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor, for we are members of one another. Be angry, and do not sin do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.”**

B. He operates over territories.

Ephesians 2:2 **“In which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience.”**

1. Daniel's angel, Michael, fought over national territories

Daniel 10:20 ***“Then he said, “Do you know why I have come to you? And now I must return to fight with the prince of Persia; and when I have gone forth, indeed the prince of Greece will come.”***

II. HIS KEYS TO _____

A. Power of the Word of God.

Matthew 4:10 ***“Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! For it is written, You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.”*** Jesus quoted the word 3 times against Satan!

B. Power of the blood of Jesus

Revelation 12:11 ***“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”***

C. Power of the resurrection I Corinthians 15:24-26 ***“Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For He has put all things under His feet.”***

III. HIS _____

A. Cast out of heaven. Revelation 12:7-11 ***“And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them^[a] in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”***

B. Cast into Hell, Lake of Fire. Revelation 20:10 ***“The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”***