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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

We are once again approaching the day where we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. My prayer is that this season will not pass by without it being a time to remember how tremendous His Resurrection is. The Short Report in this month's newsletter shows how resurrection life in Christ is more than just what happens after a physical death. We can celebrate His Resurrection not just because of eternal life with Him, but also because of the transformation He can do in us while on earth. Sometimes, I can't fully wrap my mind around how wonderful God's love is to rescue us as He has, but it truly is a joy, and seems so simple, to watch as He brings healing to the hurting.

Praises:

I praise God for His faithfulness in working in a client's life. This last month I received a message asking for prayer about a particular issue, and within hours the issue was better. I was not the only one asked to pray. With a group of people lifting this person to the Lord, He was faithful in bringing relief from a spiritual attack.

I praise God for His presence and loving kindness for a woman recently. After a terrible trauma in her life where she was left all alone, He ministered to her and took away a huge weight on her life.

I praise God for the support of friends and family for continuing in ministry. Angela and I recently had a wonderful day with friends who were very encouraging.

Update:

For the past five years, I have been working part time as the athletic director at Clinton Christian School. I also taught one of the Bible classes at Clinton for the last three years. At the end of June, I'll no longer be filling these roles. Instead, in August, I'll begin a part time position as associate pastor at my church, Siloam Fellowship. Although I have many days of questioning my qualifications for any kind of ministry work, I'm trusting that God has called me to this and will enable me for the ministry. Because of this, I'm looking forward to working with Pastor Vern Hostetler, and anticipate the ministry at Siloam to tie in well with the full time ministry with Life of Freedom Ministries. I also have been the varsity boys' head basketball coach at Clinton, and I do plan to continue in this role.

Short Report:

The effects of traumatic events can linger for years. Ms. CCC was tormented by the fear of experiencing the symptoms of the original traumatic event. The fear created a constant anxiety. The root issue was the traumatic experience she had a couple of years prior. The emotional pressure was so great, and she felt that she was going crazy. Ms. CCC severely did not want that experience again. After a couple of years, a slight similar symptom she felt in the original event began a month or so of ups and downs. She'd nearly have panic attacks fearing the same experience all over again. She'd be able to take her thoughts captive and regain control, but there was still the nagging anxiety. Not knowing the cause of the fear and anxiety during at the

beginning of the ministry session, we invited the Holy Spirit to show her the source. He started by showing her in her mind an event she had in the midst of the first season of trauma. She prayed a prayer, confessing all of the negative emotions she was feeling at that time. Then we cancelled the curses any spirits claimed on her for the feelings.

We then confronted the spirits connected to the issue. I had originally asked for the Holy Spirit to bring healing, but it seemed there was a block. Therefore, I challenged whatever evil spirit that was blocking her, and we encountered three evil spirits. They were trying to act as if they were either Jesus or an angel. We confirmed their ground was no more, but before ordering them to depart, I commanded them to tell her the lies she was believing. One lie was that she had to fix herself. Instead of God transforming her, she had to do it. She was responsible to fix herself and change her life from the lies she was believing. Another lie was that God really wasn't with her during the traumatic event. It made her feel like she wasn't worth anything to Him. She rejected all of these lies, and the spirits were ordered to leave. I then again invited the Holy Spirit to minister and show where Jesus was in the experience. Once again there was a block, like a veil was over her so she could not see Jesus or hear Him speaking. I asked if there was someone she needed to forgive. There was: the person who caused the traumatic situation. After choosing to forgive the person, that spirit who was veiling her was ordered to leave. The Holy Spirit then showed her Jesus bending down and comforting her in the midst of the greatest painful heartache she experienced. He took the pain, and shared with her all she needed to do was trust Him. It wasn't by her effort that she'd be fixed. Instead, she need to believe His truth and not the feelings the enemy was putting on her. It seemed to be a gentle sequence of Him encouraging her and helping her to see she was of great worth to Him.

Ms. CCC was burdened by trying to change herself and heal herself. She realized that she couldn't do what only God could do. As she learned the truth and her mind was renewed, the Holy Spirit transformed her (Romans 12:2). As she trusted in the Lord Jesus, submitting to Him, she was able to resist the forces of darkness that attacked with lies (James 4:7). Ms. CCC experienced a part of Resurrection life. We won't fully experience Resurrection life until His return, but living in His power gives us a taste of what will be wonderful with Him. How great is the love of God in gifting new life to the believer, giving us a wonderful reason for worshipping and celebrating the Lord Jesus and His Resurrection.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for a number of clients who have been burdened with lies about the reality of the spiritual battle that hinder them from being fully free.

Please pray for the clients who have Satanism in their family background. Good Friday often is a day of great spiritual attack for them.

Please pray for me and my family in the transition to being an associate pastor.

Have a blessed Resurrection Sunday!

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,

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