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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

The love of God continues to amaze me. He is so patient and kind, wanting all to repent and turn to Him (2 Peter 3:8-9). He is so patient with me, as I learn how to lend a hand to people and show them His love. I've become more certain that the enemy wants us to see God as mean and demanding. Certainly, God wants us to repent and live a holy life in the power of the Holy Spirit. However, as we'll see in the case report below, the enemy wants us to feel so guilty and ashamed of what we've done and what has been done to us that we fear or expect God's anger. Jesus came to save the world, not condemn it (John 3:17), and He brought us healing by His wounds (1 Peter 2:24). When we repent, He is faithful and just to purify us. We need not fear Him. What a holy and loving God who is most worthy of praise.

Praises:

I praise God for His ministering to a client who was certain he was defeated and couldn't be free.

I praise God for the fruit of many years of ministering to a client who is increasing in faith and not living in fear.

I praise God for how a client who had struggled to pray, was set free and now can freely pray to the Lord.

Short Report:

When Ms. JJJ came to LFM for the first time, she noted that her major problem was with lying. Even in simple matters, she'd have trouble with fully telling the truth. When the situation was difficult and lying would help to avoid trouble, it was extremely easy for her to lie. It turned out that she experienced a number of very traumatic moments in her life from both her biological and adoptive parents. She was an illegitimate child, molested by both fathers, was trapped in a closet, and was then often accused of lying. Also, she noted how her biological parents were severely two-faced, misrepresenting themselves often. Through it all, she blamed herself for her problems. In our second meeting, Ms. JJJ confessed to God all of her personal sins, which included promiscuity of her own. She confessed the sins of both her biological and adoptive ancestry. She also confessed to God the sins done against her, expressing the pain of her traumatic experiences. She then declared in Jesus' name that the ground any evil spirits held on her was cancelled.

We next confronted any evil spirits that were present with Ms. JJJ. In this case, we ended up facing the spirits from bottom in rank to the top. The spirits' names were: Hatred/Unloving, Abandoned, Confusion, Abusive, Self-Harming, Unworthy, Lying, and Pain. The powers of darkness had used the ancestors' sins and the sins done against her to lead into her own sin, and then beat her up emotionally for all that happened. All of these spirits were evicted in the mighty name of Jesus Christ. In the following session, she reported that she was "on fire for God." She was growing in her faith and enjoyed some opportunities to grow at gatherings of believers. We checked to see if anymore spirits were with her, and two were identified. These spirits were named Control and another one named Confusion. These specifically had transferred to her from her mother.

Ms. JJJ was set free from the demonic influence was able to live freely for the Lord. With the spirits gone, the inclination to lie was gone, and she was able to grow in Christ.

Something to Consider:

John 8:44—⁴⁴ *You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*

1 Peter 2:24—²⁴ *"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."*

A common symptom of those who are plagued with evil spirits is the inability to overcome strongholds. Ms. JJJ was well aware of her problem of not speaking truthfully. Without trying, she would embellish and misrepresent the truth. No matter how much she tried to stop, she was not able to do so. In this case her issue with lying came from trying to protect herself from her parents as a child. Also, they repeatedly cursed her by accusing her of lying even when she wasn't. All of this led to the powerful stronghold of lying, as the evil spirit had trained her to lie without even thinking about what she was doing. The only way for her to overcome this stronghold and be healed was by the victory won for her by the Lord Jesus Christ.

The hierarchy of the evil spirits afflicting her showed that the strongest and greatest issue wasn't lying, but the pain she experienced. Certainly, the lying was not good. However, it often is the case that we focus on the sin that is actually more a symptom of either a greater sin, or as it was for Ms. JJJ, sin done against her. The symptom of lying did need to be confessed. If the wounds had not been healed that was the base for the evil spirits, she would have continued to flounder. It is very much necessary to get at the root of the issue and not just try to deal with the obvious sins. The whole person needs healing to walk in victory at its fullest.

When looking at other believers who seem to be struggling with sin, keep in mind there is likely something deeper that needs to be addressed. Have compassion for those who are hurting in their sin. They need freedom and healing from the Lord Jesus, not our condemnation, which would only add to their pain. In my experience, a large majority of sin isn't done out of spiteful rebelliousness to God. Instead it is most often out of painful experiences and/or a great deceiving work of the enemy. Having mercy on those who need freedom is the best way to lead them to the One who can give them that freedom.


Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for a client who is struggling greatly with confusion.

Please pray for a client who is working through grieving of the loss of a loved one.

Please pray for a client who is discerning how best to share the truth with family members who reject the reality of the spirit realm and how spirits can burden people.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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