Life of Freedom MINISTRIES

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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed (John 8:36). The relief and joy one can have when set free from the works of evil can be great. I have found that taking time to remember significant moments where the Lord brought freedom is valuable. For me, March is a time to remember and celebrate His work in bringing me freedom from a serious work of evil. Remembering what He has done for me has encouraged me to continue in helping others be set free. I have been blessed with freedom, and desire to share the same kind of experience with others. Also, it is encouraging to continue to exercise authority in Christ against the evil powers of this world and not feel overwhelmed by the evil I see. If you had a time where you were significantly set free, I encourage you to take time and celebrate, worshipping the One who set you free. I often share with clients to not forget the experience of being set free and the words of healing the Lord shared with them.

Praises:

I praise God for His working at healing a client recently who was overwhelmingly traumatized. The trauma she experienced only created situations of even greater trauma on her emotional state, but the Lord brought healing and delivered her from the heavy burden that was on her.

I praise God for God for a good experience of sharing about the work of LFM with a group people involved in caring for hurting people. The conversation went very well, giving them an idea of how they can better help people with spiritual issues.

I praise God for His reminder to me to trust Him when I feel the pressure that I'm the one solving the problems. Relaxing and trusting Him is then relayed to the clients, helping to trust Him to bring freedom.

Short Report:

A client sent me a text one morning, expressing a feeling of evil around her at her work place. She didn't know what the issue was, and wanted prayer. I responded by texting a prayer, ordering in the Name of Jesus Christ any evil spirits attacking her to stop it and leave her alone. She didn't respond to my text, so I had no idea what happened after that until a month later. She came for another session and explained. She sent me the text, and put her phone in her locker, as she needed to get back to work. As she was walking away from her locker, the overwhelming sense of spiritual evil disappeared! Ms. GGG did not read the prayer text I sent until her shift was over. However, the evil spirits no longer were attacking her. This experience showed that she was under spiritual attack, and it also showed the superiority of Christ over the dark spirits.

Something to Consider:

Ephesians 2:6—⁶ And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,

Matthew 8:8-9—⁸ The centurion replied, "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

After reading the Short Report, one may be tempted to have a couple conclusions that would be inaccurate. First, one might believe the reason the client was released from the burden she was carrying as due to some special gift that I personally was given compared to any other Christian. The idea would be that I am called to do a certain ministry, and therefore have a special ability to deal with evil spirits. It is true that I may have a calling to minister to people so they can be free from evil spirits. Also, it may be true that I am gifted for ministry in a way that others may not. However, the reason the prayer that I texted was fruitful had nothing to do with any special gifting or calling I had. Instead, it was all about authority each believer has in Christ.

The second inaccurate conclusion is that the words of the prayer somehow had a powerful effect in a magical sense, like it was a formula. In essence, the idea is that if a person just recites this specific prayer, the problem will go away because the words in and of themselves have power over the evil spirits. The reason this view is inaccurate is that the words convey power, the power of God, which is exercised by a person who has the authority to confront the spirits: a Christian. I did not have to use a special formula and have the precise words for the prayer to be effective. It was rather simple, commanding the spirits that were attacking the woman to stop in Jesus' name.

As Ephesians 2:6 says (see above), the believer is seated in Christ. The verses that conclude chapter one of Ephesians shows that Jesus is seated above all spiritual forces. Therefore, if we are in Him, all believers are above the spiritual forces too. In His name, we can take authority over them without having to use precise wording. All who believe in Him are given this same authority. I simply have much more experiences in using this authority than most. The more I exercised my authority in Him, the more and more confident I became that a believer does have authority over evil spirits. I encourage you, if you are a believer in Christ, to not fear if a situation arises and you need to confront a spirit as I did with Ms. GGG. In Him, you are more than a conqueror (Romans 8:37), and can command them to stop their business of attacking a person.

Prayer Concerns:

Please continue to pray for a client who has the burden of discerning what is and is not spiritual. What is clear to me to be due to the work of evil spirits isn't clear to the client.

Please pray for the coming season. As we move closer to Resurrection Sunday, pray that this season will be a time that those who are burdened will have the courage to seek freedom.

Please pray for a client who is doubting that Jesus can fully bring freedom to the burden that is being carried. To the client, the evil seems to be much too strong to overcome.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,

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