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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

As we enter Thanksgiving season, 2 Corinthians 1:10-12 comes to mind. Paul is thanking God for the deliverance He provided, as well as thanking the Corinthians for their prayers. In the same way, I give thanks for God's help in bringing deliverance to those who come to LFM for help. I'm grateful for His faithfulness, and I'm grateful for how you support us in prayer. I trust that He will continue to grant us favor by bringing deliverance to those who humbly come to Him for help. Please know that your prayers are greatly appreciated and needed for helping others to freedom.

Praises:

I praise and thank the Living God for His help for a sister in Christ who was tormented with haunting memories of satanic ritual abuse. She has a great support team who helped her prepare, and we were able to dismantle the legal ground from the rituals.

I praise God for the freedom He gave to a family troubled with ghost phenomena in their home. Even before coming to LFM, they had done their homework and had confessed many personal and ancestral sins. The spirits admitted their ground to torment them was gone and they were ordered to leave.

Special Reminder:

Year-end giving has been tremendous for our ministry finances. The gifts that are received at the end of the year have carried us through the lean months of the following year. For that reason, I ask that you prayerfully consider giving at the end of 2022. I greatly appreciate the support that is received as I could not help out many hurting people if it were not for those who have generously donated to this ministry. Thank you very much!

Short Report:

For her entire life, she recalled having issues with anger. Her life's troubles increased though, when she increasingly had problems sleeping. In fact, the sleep problems got even worse after she made an appointment to come to LFM for help. In working through the inventory, it was noted she had little participation in occult practices or other sinful issues, except for unforgiveness toward a man who had abused her. It was also noted that her grandmother also struggled with anger. The grandmother was of Native American ancestry, who had family members who suffered extreme trauma when being forced from their land. The anger from the trauma was passed on to this grandmother, and eventually to Ms. HHH. Other trauma was experienced by her ancestors, and she also had Freemasonry in her ancestry. She confessed all of these burdens and sins to the Lord, and she chose to forgive those for whom she held resentment. We then confronted the evil spirits who were tormenting her. The first to identify himself was Anger, who admitted he came from her grandmother. The next spirit was named Shame. He confessed to having two helpers, Worry and Anxiety. These last two were the ones responsible for keeping her from sleeping well by flooding her with

anxious thoughts. Praise God! The evil spirits were evicted, taking with them the burdens they had placed on Ms. HHH. I invited the Holy Spirit to fill her and bless her with the opposite of what the evil spirits had done. She was peaceful as she left.

Something to Consider:

Lamentations 5:7 $^{-7}$ Our ancestors sinned and are no more, and we bear their punishment.

Numbers 14:18—¹⁸ 'The LORD is slow to anger, abounding in love and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.'

The greatest objection I face to the idea of deliverance ministry is that Christians cannot be afflicted by evil spirits in a way that a person would need to be "delivered." The second greatest objection is the idea that evil spirits afflict people because of the sins of the ancestry. Ancestral sin, generational curses, or inherited sin and curses are the terms that one usually hears in regard to this. Unfortunately, experience shows that the opposition to evil spirits afflicting Christians and the affliction being due to ancestral burdens is true. There is no clear negation in the Bible that in the New Covenant, these realities will disappear. Sin has consequences, and those consequences can be passed on to the next generation.

God is love, and wants to bless His children. Exodus 20 and Deuteronomy 5 note that He blesses the obedient to a thousand generations. However, as these passages note, as well as the ones listed above, curses come with disobedience. The evil spirits use these curses to fortify strongholds in a person, trying to create even more strongholds and create a family system that is in deep bondage to them. Jeremiah, Nehemiah, and Daniel had prayers confessing the sins of their ancestors. Jesus also rebukes the Pharisees for not repenting of the sins of their fathers. They instead were doing as their ancestors did in wanting to kill him (Matthew 23). In helping troubled people, at least 80% of the problems are due to inherited curses. Instead of trying to argue that it just can't happen, perhaps we should look at the fruit of peoples' lives when they do address the sins of the ancestry. I have seen too many lives changed to doubt its reality. We are not helpless in regard to ancestral sin. Christ has become a curse for us (Galatians 3:13). When confess the sins done in the ancestry and in His name, declare the curses to be broken, the spirits no longer have a claim for their work. We can then command them to take their works and be gone. We may not always know what was done in our ancestry, but God is faithful. We can start by a general cancellation of all inherited curses and humbly ask Him to show us if there is anything specific that must be addressed. He came to destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8), and he will lead us to deliverance. The spirits are defeated. We must actualize that in our lives in Jesus' name.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for a client who believes the lie that he should no longer be living. Guilt has burdened him greatly.

Please pray for a client tormented by voices that he'll never amount to anything. He fears they are right!

Have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving!

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,

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