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Dear Life of Freedom Ministries Supporter:

Greetings!

In the first week of September, I've seen some tree leaves already starting to change. Sure enough, autumn will be here soon. The harvest season is one of my favorites, as it reminds me of how God graciously blesses us with supplies we need to live. As a friend of mine says, the crisp air and delicious apples bring joy and are a blessing from God. A great deal of darkness is practiced and celebrated this time of year, much of it out of the ignorance of the spirit realm. Regardless of the evil that is done, may this coming autumn be a blessing to all of you.

Praises:

I praise God for some valuable information that was discovered in a couple key ministry sessions in the last month. In both cases, there was clarity in what the working of the evil spirits were doing in the clients' lives and how the spirits were given ground. After years of struggle, these were big steps.

I praise God for His strengthening me through some long days. In some sessions, the work of the confrontation is focused and intense, but it seems the time passes quickly, and then most importantly, the person is free.

Important Note:

The road construction in front of the LFM office on County Road 38 is progressing. Some appointments had to be rescheduled because of the work, and it may need to happen again when the work is done directly on our drive way. For the most part, it has not been a hindrance for ministry. The road is still gravel at this point, but is firm and wide. On most days it is open for those who need to get to the office from either direction. The workers are doing a nice job of making the situation as pleasant as possible.

Short Report:

When evil spirits are evicted in ministry sessions, at times the person senses a heavy weight lift off of the body. This doesn't happen to everyone, but it is a common expression I hear. Therefore, when a person has been set free and after a while feels a weight again, the person has good idea that it is a demonic affliction. Ms. VV was in that kind of situation. She knew something wasn't right because she felt a heaviness. After years of service for the Lord, she took a new, short term, work. After the experience of the short term work, she began doubting herself in many ways. We entered a time of prayer, inviting the Holy Spirit to give us insight into what the matter might be and to put a great pressure on any spirits that might be at work in the situation. I then commanded the spirits to attention and there were many. Some of them had some weird names, but most made sense. Worthless, Confusion, Abundance, Accuracy, Doubt, Weight, Questioning, Quicks, Ability, and Time. For some reason, while doing the service work, she began to doubt that she really could serve the Lord in that capacity...or any capacity for that matter. From where did the spirits come? Was there witchcraft or sorcery done against her? I didn't challenge the spirits in regard to that and they didn't seem to have the same strength that demons do when there is witchcraft involved. My hunch is that the resident spirits of the place where she was working did not like what she was doing and attacked her to get

her to stop. We focused on rejecting the lies about her and instead believing the truth. By rejecting their lies and cancelling their ground, the spirits were cast out in Jesus' name. The weight was gone and she left in peace.

Something to Consider:

Luke 4:3—³ *The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."*

Ephesians 6:14—¹⁴ *Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place...*

Who are you? What is your purpose? What is your calling? For a number of years, Ms. VV had a clear sense of who she was in Christ, as well as the kind of work He was asking of her. She had been freed of spirits, experienced some healing of old wounds, and was even helping others. I find it interesting in that the enemy attacked Ms. VV in a similar way that he attacked the Lord Jesus when He was in the wilderness. The devil challenged Jesus with, "If you are the Son of God..." I see that as, "Jesus, do you really think you are the Son of God? Come on, that can't be true! Prove it!" The Lord Jesus didn't begin to doubt at all about who He was, but only rebuked the devil with the truth. When we begin to believe the lies of the enemy about our identity, it becomes much more difficult to continue on in the service of the Lord. We can ask questions like, "Would God really call me to do this work?" The lack of confidence and trust can be debilitating, just as it was for Ms. VV. Therefore, it is very important to believe the truth of one's position in Him, and that He is with us wherever we go.

It is also intriguing that the first part of the spiritual armor is the belt of truth. If one doesn't believe the truth of Christ's victory over the enemy and the position of the believer in Him, the other parts of the spiritual armor won't be used as effectively. The truth of God's word about our identity as His children, seated in Christ at His right hand in the heavenly realms, is not based on feelings or on our level of sinfulness. It's solely about placing one's faith and trust in Christ. The enemy tries to distort this and get us to focus on the sins of the past to determine our identity or to cause thoughts that create negative feelings about ourselves. Either way, when the lie is believed, the enemy has the upper hand. I encourage you then, if you are a believer in Jesus Christ, to reject the lies of the enemy and believe the truth that you are in Him, dearly loved and precious to God. You can then walk in victory against the lies and the attacks of the powers of darkness as Jesus did in the wilderness. From this place of victory, you go on to serve Him with confidence.

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for a particular client who is limited in support from other believers. The battle rages for the client without a local friend to lend a hand.

Please pray for the two clients referenced in the Praise section. With the new information, the battle has now become more intense as the spirits have attacked double time in retaliation.

Continually Rescued by Christ Jesus,



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