



# THE FINGER OF THE GOD OF GLORY

THE CLASH OF KINGDOMS

## Luke 11:14-17

*“And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. <sup>15</sup> But some of them said, “He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.” <sup>16</sup> Others, testing Him, sought from Him a sign from heaven. <sup>17</sup> But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls.” (cont’d)*

## Luke 11:18-20

*“If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub. <sup>19</sup> And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges.*

*<sup>20</sup> But if I cast out demons **with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.**”*

# 1. Deliverance is an act of the Finger of God.

Two other places we see the finger of God:

**Exodus 8:18-19a** *“Now the magicians so worked with their enchantments to bring forth lice, **but they could not**. So there were lice on man and beast. <sup>19</sup> Then the magicians said to Pharaoh, **“This is the finger of God.”**”*

**Exodus 31:18** *“And when He had made an end of speaking with him on Mount Sinai, He gave Moses two tablets of the Testimony, tablets of stone, **written with the finger of God.**”*

## 2. A Matter of Authority.

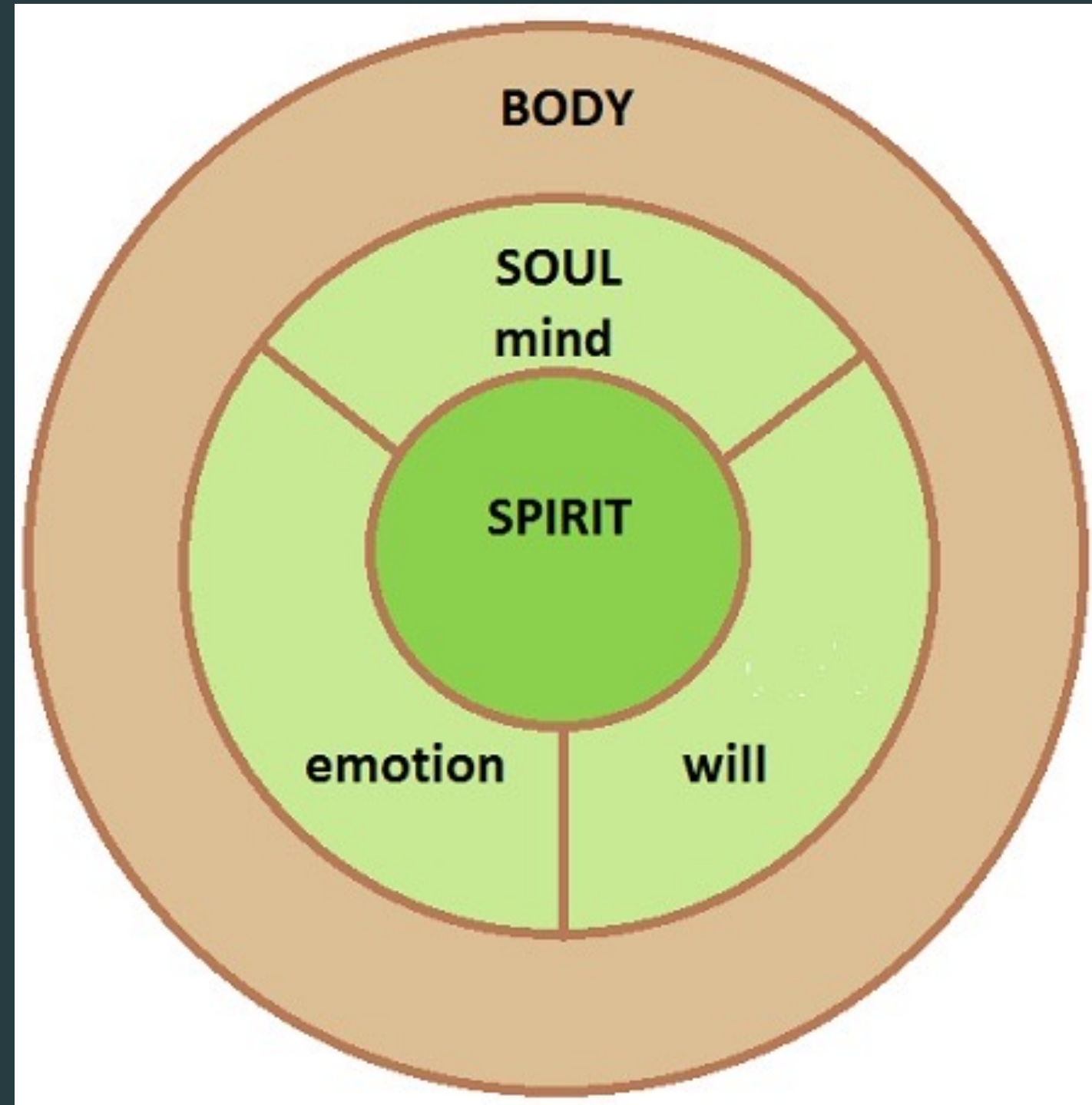
A clash of two kingdoms – the Kingdom of God (light) triumphs over the kingdom of Satan (darkness).

*“In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.”*

**John 1:4-5**

# How can a Christian be demonized

*Daimonizomai = under the power or influence of a demon (NOT possessed)*



### **3. Deliverance – Discipleship = Disaster.**

*“When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’<sup>25</sup> And when he comes, he finds it swept and put in order.<sup>26</sup> Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first.”<sup>27</sup> And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!”<sup>28</sup> But He said, “More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”*

**Luke 11:24-28**

## 4. Days of Glory are coming

### Isaiah 4:2-3

*“In that day the Branch of the Lord shall be beautiful and glorious; and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and appealing or those of Israel who have escaped. 3 And it shall come to pass that he who is left in Zion and remains in Jerusalem **will be called holy**—everyone who is recorded among the living in Jerusalem...”* “



## Isaiah 4:4-6

“When the Lord has washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and purged the blood of Jerusalem from her midst, **by the spirit of judgment and by the spirit of burning,** 5 then the Lord will create **above every dwelling place** of Mount Zion, and above her assemblies, **a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night.** For **over all the glory** there will be a covering. 6 And there will be a tabernacle for shade in the daytime from the heat, for a place of refuge, and for a shelter from storm and rain.”

In His **mercy**, the Lord convicts us and makes known what is the true state of our heart.



The Lord consumes what is not of Him and purifies what is meant to remain.



Humility and repentance make a place for the Glory of God to rest.

