We shouldn't assume everyone with an issue has a demon we just want to be diligent to spiritually discern through the power of the Holy Spirit what is the primary cause of the issue. I firmly believe there are many if not most issues within believers' life that will be annihilated through being filled with the Holy Spirit, sanctified fully apart from the world, and walking in discipleship. We tend to focus on worse case scenarios and make them the primary example that we use. *If we are going to use the Bible as our highest word, We don't see any of the early disciples who had left everything to follow Jesus needing deliverance after being filled with the Holy Spirit. Truth be told we have tolerated a lot of junk within the church that has allowed the enemy access.* 

A few questions we are addressing when ministering to someone and dealing with the demonic are:

- 1. What doors have been opened intentionally or unintentionally or unfairly?
- 2. What legal rights do they have to be there?
- 3. Is the one being ministered to ready to close the door and leave that part of their identity behind

I want to reiterate again that intimacy and identity are essentials for all things but entirely necessary for the deliverance minister. We want to follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit and press into His wisdom, understanding and discernment above the method of any man. Jesus wants people free, way more than we do so we need to press into His heart and His power as we minister to others.

- We need to know Jesus.
- We need to know His Word
- We need to love people as He does
- We are dependent upon His Cross, His blood, His Word and we lead people in breakthrough by teaching them to repent and come into agreement with truth. Behind every demon is the foundation of a lie that must be dismantled.
- **1Corinthians 13:8 tells us that love never fails.** Every time we step in front of someone with the purpose of loving them in Jesus Name we have already succeeded.

## **Today I am using some resources from Derek Prince book** *They shall Expel Demons.*

As blood bought believers in Jesus Christ, we are purposed to enter into His victory that was paid for by His blood. On the cross Jesus paid the full and final penalty for all the sins of all people. He was the lamb of God that carried away the sins of the world (John 1:29). The sacrifice of Jesus on your behalf is the one sufficient basis on which you can claim a full release from every demonic force Satan has directed against you. 1Cor. 15:57- But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The church needs our people to be trained and prepared to set the captives free through healing and deliverance ministries. We are going to go through 10 steps that can lead others to victory.

- Some type of pre-interview is needed to get to know the individual and what is going on in their life. We should be prepared to talk to them about their walk with Jesus, intimacy, obedience salvation and sanctification.
- Here at Revive we want people to actually be discipled and be in a healthy spiritual family that will walk with them for the fullness of their breakthrough. Many who need deliverance also need the deep love of a spiritual family, bible knowledge and intimacy put in place.

Before you begin ministering to someone and dealing with the demonic start with prayer, bringing your hearts to a greater awareness of Jesus Christ, the love of the Father and the power of the Holy Spirit.

 Personally affirm your faith in Christ- or your willingness to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Have they been born again. Has the individual made the personal confession that Jesus Christ is Lord of their life.
Romans 10:9-10- that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

- 2. <u>Humble yourself-</u> "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble." <sup>6</sup> Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, There is no breakthrough without humility. We must humble ourselves, God won't do it for us. We have to choose between dignity or deliverance. The enemy will try to release fear in these areas that keep us hiding in shame. We may be afraid of what will manifest if I really let go or allow light to shine in dark places. Anytime we ask for help we begin to walk the road of full healing.
- 3. **Confess any known sin**-Nowhere in the Bible does God commit Himself to forgive sins that have not been confessed. 1John 1:9- If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. This is not a time to be eloquent, simply call your sin what it is. Truly acknowledge the sin that's in in your life. Call it out Lust, Hatred, Addiction etc. This is not deep self analysis rather what is the Holy Spirit bringing to your mind that you need to confess. Holy Spirit is our helper and will guide us.
- 4. Repent of all sins-Confession admits your wrong but repentance is changing your mind so you can change your direction. We must confess and forsake. Judas and Peter both sinned Judas confessed and then hung himself, Peter confessed, repented and was restored to fellowship with Jesus. Repentance brings us into the thoughts and mind of Christ. Often times we have a love relationship with sin, rather than a hate for our sin. We must hate the sin in order to be delivered from it and that is possible through the mind of Jesus Christ. Repentance involves 1) accepting personal responsibility for what you have done without blaming anyone else (not even the demons) and 2) You must take the same stand against sin that God takes. Don't minimize your sin hate it!! Acts 3:19- Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,

5. Forgive all other people-Jesus established an unvarying spiritual law. Mark 11:25-26-<sup>25</sup> "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.<sup>26</sup> But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses." In Chapter 18 of Matthew Jesus tells the parable of a servant whose master forgave him a debt equivalent to several million dollars and the servant refused to forgive his fellow servant a debt of just a few dollars. The judgment of the unforgiving servant was to be delivered to the torturers and then we are told by Jesus this is what my heavenly Father will to do anyone who does not forgive.

**Matthew 18:34-35**-<sup>34</sup> And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. <sup>35</sup> "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

Torturers or tormentors are the demonic. Forgiving another person is not primarily an emotion it is a decision of the will. You must make a firm decision to forgive and you must verbalize it. Decide in your heart and verbalize with your mouth makes your act of forgiving effective. On the cross Jesus forgave all. Because of your forgiveness to me Jesus, I too can forgive.

- 6. Break with the occult and all false religion-Speak out and break all agreement, oaths and alignments you have made. <u>This includes the removal of all possessions linked to the occult or to the Satanic. Books, music, souvenirs, charms and objects.</u> Best way to dispose is to burn them-That is what the Christians in Ephesus did.
- 7. **Prepare to be released from every curse over your life**-The Bible mentions the power of blessings and curses about 600 times. There can be curses or dark shadows that we must not accept as normal that have come against our family line and we have authority to break in Jesus Name, by His blood he redeems us from every curse. Derek Prince states that the following list of problems commonly indicate a curse is at work

- Mental or emotional breakdown
- Repeated or Chronic sickness
- Barrenness (tendency to miscarry)
- Breakdown of marriage and family alienation
- Continuing financial insufficiency
- Being accident prone
- Family history of suicide or unnatural timely deaths
- 8. Take your stand with God-Make a firm decision. Its important to involve the individual getting delivered so they have ongoing confidence in the power of the Holy Spirit within them. Have them say by faith something like this-"*I submit my will, my purpose, my future, my whole life to God. I take my stand with God against all sin, all evil and every kind of demon.* 
  - You take your stand with God and He takes His stand with you Romans 8:31- If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us?
  - **Dealing with a demon is like dealing with a fierce dog**-when you call a dog by its name you may have more authority over it. While ministering deliverance, there will be some demonic names we know from the pre-interview and others that Holy Spirit will reveal in the doing.
  - We can say you spirit of bitterness we take our stand against you in the name of Jesus Christ. I no longer submit to you. You have no more place in me, I command you to go.
  - Don't be passive, Command
- 9. **Expel**-So simple and practical that it does not seem spiritual but it works (D.Prince)
  - The word for spirit in Hebrew and Greek is the word for wind and also the word for breath. <u>You get rid of breath by expelling it, usually</u> <u>through your mouth</u>. <u>You also make agreements with your mouth and</u> <u>assert authority with your mouth</u>.

- After you have went through the steps and have prayed for deliverance and concluded with amen begin to expel. That is the decision of your will followed by an action of your muscles.
- Don't go on praying or speak in tongues, keep the pathway clear for exit
- As you begin to expel or breath out what comes out first might be natural human breath but after a short while something other than human breath will come out. That is your enemy so keep the pressure on.
- There may be different manifestations as the demon emerges. It may be something so small that you barely perceive it like a sigh or yawn, it could come with sobbing or groaning, coughing or screaming or roaring. There is no predetermined limit to how long. Continue until they stop coming out.
- Sometimes a deliberate forceful cough
- 10. **Fill the house**-Whenever there is removal we must be sure to ask the Holy Spirit to come and fill that area with His fruit, His power, His essence. This is a vital step that cannot be skipped.
- 11. Cleansing prayer for Jesus to wash over all involved as well as the area where you are doing deliverance.

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