

## Testimonies of Jesus setting people free

### Mark 16:14-18

#### The Great Commission

<sup>14</sup> Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and **He rebuked their unbelief** and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. <sup>15</sup> And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup> He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup> **And these signs will follow those who <sup>[d]</sup>believe: In My name they will cast out demons;** they will speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they<sup>[e]</sup> will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

*We all want to do the “fun stuff” ... healings, miracles, signs, wonders. Nobody really wants to dispatch demons, especially the puking ones. It can be messy. People feel they are unqualified. This is a lie from the enemy. Jesus gives us the power and the authority over unclean spirits in His Word.*

**Key: Deliverance comes after preaching the gospel.**

#### Authority of the Believer

**Matthew 10:1** And when He had called His twelve disciples to *Him*, He gave them power *over* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease.

**Matthew 10:7-8** <sup>7</sup> And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven <sup>[e]</sup>is at hand.’ <sup>8</sup> Heal the sick, <sup>[d]</sup>cleanse the lepers, <sup>[e]</sup>raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

*Our authority originates from the revelation of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God. We have to understand Who He is in order to walk in relationship with Him.*

#### Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ

### Matthew 16:13-19

<sup>13</sup> When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, “Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?”

<sup>14</sup> So they said, “Some *say* John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

<sup>15</sup> He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”

<sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

<sup>17</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not <sup>[a]</sup>prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth <sup>[b]</sup>will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

*What are some of the keys to the kingdom to cast out demons? We are going to talk about them and give practical steps on how to cast out demons.*

**Key: We have authority as believers to bind and loose and set the captives free.**

### Matthew 18:18-20

<sup>18</sup> “Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

<sup>19</sup> “Again<sup>[d]</sup> I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”

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**Key: Take 2 or three Spirit-filled believers with you to cast out demons. Each of you must believe in the power of God to set the person free. *Always pray with eyes open.***

### Luke 10

In Luke chapter 10, the seventy were sent out, two by two, they returned, rejoicing!

<sup>17</sup> Then the <sup>[e]</sup>seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.”

<sup>18</sup> And He (*Jesus*) said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but <sup>[f]</sup>rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

*My interpretation of verse 20: I have given you the authority, but do not rejoice and let pride rear its ugly head because the demons are subject to the power that is in you. I want you to remain humble and rejoice because your names are written in heaven.*

*You have to be aware and observant of your own heart and motivations when you walk out the Great Commission and signs and wonders follow you. The enemy will try to tempt you and make you believe you have the power and not Jesus. This root cause, pride, caused Satan to rebel against God and fall like lightening from heaven.*

**Key: Pride goes before the fall. Stay humble.**

### Case Studies of Deliverance found in the Bible

**Mary Magdalene** Mark 16:9 & Luke 8:2. Mary Magdalene was the first recorded person Jesus delivered from demons. She had seven of them. Mary was also the first person Jesus revealed Himself to after He had risen in John 16:11-18.

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*Nothing is in the bible without design. Seven is the number of completion. God finished creation and rested on the seventh day. Jesus delivered Mary Magdalene of seven demons. When Jesus died, He said, "It is finished." She was first to be delivered and first to see Jesus resurrected. What message do you think was Jesus sending Satan when He delivered Mary Magdalene of the seven demons?*

### **Matt 17:14-21**

#### **A Boy Is Healed**

<sup>14</sup> And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, <sup>15</sup> "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is <sup>[c]</sup>an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. <sup>16</sup> So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him."

<sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered and said, "O <sup>[d]</sup>faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." <sup>18</sup> And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.

<sup>19</sup> Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "**Why could we not cast it out?**"

<sup>20</sup> **So Jesus said to them, "Because of your <sup>[e]</sup>unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. <sup>21</sup> <sup>[f]</sup>However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."**

*Paraphrased Mark 9:29; Luke 9:37*

### **Mark 9:14-29**

#### **A Boy Is Healed**

<sup>14</sup> And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. <sup>15</sup> Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to *Him*, greeted Him. <sup>16</sup> And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?"

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<sup>17</sup> Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. <sup>18</sup> And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.”

<sup>19</sup> He answered him and said, “O faithless<sup>[b]</sup> generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I <sup>[c]</sup>bear with you? Bring him to Me.” <sup>20</sup> Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.

<sup>21</sup> So He asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?”

And he said, “From childhood. <sup>22</sup> And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”

<sup>23</sup> Jesus said to him, “**If<sup>[d]</sup> you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes.**”

<sup>24</sup> **Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!”**

### Key: Belief

<sup>25</sup> When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!” <sup>26</sup> Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, “He is dead.” <sup>27</sup> But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

<sup>28</sup> And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”

<sup>29</sup> So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer <sup>[e]</sup>and fasting.”

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*Jesus sought an agreement with the father of the boy and asked him to believe his son could be healed. The boy could not be in agreement for himself, as he was mute. The person, or the parent has to be in agreement for the demons to be evicted. This is an important key as the unclean spirits can return. It is also important to counsel the person that if they choose to go back to the lifestyle that got them demonized, (addictions to drugs, alcohol, pornography, sexual addictions, witchcraft), each demon evicted will return with 7 of its buddies and that person's life will be worse than before. The person needs to renounce any ungodly covenants and repent of those things in order to be free.*

**Key: Commit to a lifestyle of prayer and fasting**

**Matthew 12:43-45**

**An Unclean Spirit Returns**

<sup>43</sup> “When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. <sup>44</sup> Then he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ And when he comes, he finds *it* empty, swept, and put in order. <sup>45</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. So shall it also be with this wicked generation.”

*It is of vital importance to get the person saved and filled with the Spirit of God immediately upon demonic eviction so the unclean spirit has no place to return to.*

**Key: Get the person saved and Spirit filled immediately**

**Jesus cast out demons Mark 1:21-27 & 3:10-12**

**Mark 1:21-27**

**Jesus Casts Out an Unclean Spirit**

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<sup>21</sup> Then they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath He entered the synagogue and taught. <sup>22</sup> And they were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

<sup>23</sup> Now there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup> saying, “Let *us* alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!”

<sup>25</sup> But Jesus rebuked him, saying, <sup>[a]</sup>“Be quiet, and come out of him!” <sup>26</sup> And when the unclean spirit had convulsed him and cried out with a loud voice, he came out of him. <sup>27</sup> Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, <sup>[b]</sup>“What is this? What new <sup>[c]</sup>doctrine *is* this? For with authority, He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him.”

### Mark 3:10-12

<sup>0</sup> For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him. <sup>11</sup> And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, “You are the Son of God.” <sup>12</sup> But He sternly warned them that they should not make Him known.

**Key: Rebuke demons and command them to be silent.**

Demons will try to talk smack and get you offended and off course. Do not converse, entertain, or make agreements with them. Although Jesus did allow the legion of demons to enter in to the swine, I suggest you just bind them and cast them out. I have had demons try to make agreements to go out of this person to go into another person. The longer you allow demons to talk, the longer the deliverance will take. As long as they are smacking their lips, they are also trying to put curses on you.

Casting out Demons:

1. Take one or two Spirit-filled believers with you. You all must believe in the power of God to set them free.

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2. Bind the demons and command them to be silent in Jesus' Name.
3. Ask the person (or the parent) if they want to be free
4. Tell the person that the demons will come back with 7 of their buddies if the person does not accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Ask if they are willing to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.
5. Lead the person in a prayer to renounce any ungodly covenants and repent of those things.
6. Command the demons to come out in Jesus' Name.
7. Lead the person in a prayer of salvation.
8. Pray the Holy Spirit come and fill them.
9. Tell the person if they choose to go back to a sinful lifestyle (addictions, pornography, sexual perversion, adultery, witchcraft, etc.) it can open doors for the demonic to come back. It is important to get them connected with a Spirit-filled church to help them grow and mature as a new believer.

### Stubborn Demons:

1. May try to "hide".
2. You may have to speak more Word of God over them.
3. Plead the Blood of Jesus over them.
4. Ask Holy Spirit what is the root to this thing holding on to the person.
5. Be persistent. Sometimes deliverance takes time.

### Do's and Don'ts:

1. Try to take the person being delivered to an area away from the main service, so as not to cause a disruption.
2. Do speak with firmness and authority, but do not yell. Demons like a spectacle and to be the center of attention.
3. Keep your eyes open and pay attention to the eyes and the hands. They may swing at you.
4. Protect the person's privacy. Sometimes during a deliverance, a person will try to take off their clothes and run around naked. You may need extra hands to hold the clothes on the person to keep them from removing them.
5. Have someone grab a trashcan if the person sounds like they sound like they are going to throw up.
6. If you do not have an agreement to set a person free and receive Jesus as their Lord and Savior, they are not ready to be delivered. Do not just go ahead and cast out the demons. When the demons come back x7, their life will be hell.

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7. When you are finished, pray over yourself so that nothing tries to harass or attach itself to you.
8. You want to have nothing in common with the enemy so he has no legal grounds to harass you. Do your best to live a sin-free life. Be quick to repent, quick to forgive and do not get offended.

There is sometimes some backlash from the enemy. The Word of God gives us a duty to resist the devil. Here are some verses to help with that:

Ephesians 4:26-27 <sup>26</sup>“Be angry, and do not sin”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, <sup>27</sup> nor give <sup>[a]</sup>place to the devil.

Ephesians 6:11 <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the <sup>[a]</sup>wiles of the devil.

James 4:7 <sup>7</sup> Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

1 Peter 5:8-9 <sup>8</sup> Be <sup>[a]</sup>sober, be <sup>[b]</sup>vigilant; <sup>[c]</sup>because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

### **Keys:**

**Deliverance comes after preaching the gospel.**

**We have authority as believers to bind and loose and set the captives free.**

**Take 2 or three Spirit-filled believers with you to cast out demons. Each of you must believe in the power of God to set the person free.**

**Believe.**

**Rebuke demons and command them to be silent.**

**Get the person saved and Spirit filled immediately.**

**Stay humble.**

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**Commit yourself to a lifestyle of prayer and fasting.** *For most people, casting out demons is a ministry of opportunity, like raising the dead. You have to be prepared and ready to walk out the Great Commission as Jesus has commanded us when the opportunity arises.*