



Summer Bible Study

Greentown Baptist Church
Wednesday, 6/21/2023

1. Can devils haunt locations or objects? I visited a Catholic site with catacombs and felt an evil type of presence and eeriness. It was also as if something was following me.

- Haunt - *To frequent; to resort to much or often, or to be much about; to visit customarily* (1 Sam. 23:22, 30:31; Ezekiel 26:17). *It is particularly applied to specters or apparitions.*
- There are satanic forces at work on the earth – Luke 10:17-20; Job 1:6-7; Gen. 6.
- Some of these devils have a history of possessing _____ and even animals – John 10:19-21; Matt. 9:32-33, 17:14-18; Luke 8:26-35; Luke 4:33-35, 41; Acts 16:16-18.
 - Legion preferred to dwell in a cemetery or the wilderness.
 - They dwelt in people's homes – Mark 7:25-30.
 - They dwelt in the _____ – Luke 4:33.
 - They seemingly go wherever they want – Mark 9:17-22.
- In the unseen world, objects are _____ possessed or haunted per se but certainly can be manipulated by devils (Ouija board, statues crying and bleeding, cemeteries, churches, etc.) – Eph. 6:12, 2:2; Dan. 10:12-14.

2. Are there evil rituals and sacrifices done in specific evil locations and can Christians and non-Christians "feel" that darkness? Is it the Holy Spirit, conscience, etc. bringing the feeling?

- There were many places where satanic rituals and sacrifices occurred. Often these were done in the "high places" created by man for the worship of idols – 2 Kings 17:11, 29; 1 Kings 3:3, 12:28-31; Lev. 26:30; Num. 33:52; Jer. 32:35.
- The Holy Spirit has 2 primary functions:
 - To reprove the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment – John 16:8.
 - To _____ a **believer in God's** truth (John 16:13), wisdom, and discernment (1 Cor. 2:10-16).

3. Is there a difference between the phrases "Fear the Lord" and "The Fear of the Lord"?

- "fear the Lord" – 30x in KJV, all in OT. "fear of the Lord" – _____x in KJV, all but 1 in the NT (Acts 9:31).
- "Fearing the Lord" is a response to what He is capable of _____ – Deut. 6:2, 24; Jonah 1:9; 1 Sam. 12:24; Deut. 31:12; 2 Kings 17:25, 28, 41. The "fear of the Lord" is the complete _____ of who God is. It is a holy reverence of God and his laws, and the desire to shun everything that offends Him and obey out of love. While there is a difference between the 2, they are also related.
- The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge – Pro. 1:7.
- The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom – Pro. 9:10a. Ps. 111:10a; Pro. 15:33.
- The fear of the Lord is _____ – Pro. 9:10; Ps. 111:10; Job 28:28; Pro. 2:1-6.