

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## **OPERATING IN THE SPIRIT REALM**

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### **PART 3: THE MODERN CHURCH VS. JESUS**

The first two messages in this series examined how God moved from the spirit realm into the physical realm and the response from Satan and his fallen angels. It is now time to look at how Jesus taught His disciples to break into the spiritual dimension.

## **SPIRITUAL ROOTS OF DISEASE**

The Bible tells us that Jesus came to destroy the works of Satan. **1 John 3:8**

Satan is oppressing people through diseases. **Acts 10:38**

Satan's program is to steal, kill and destroy. **John 10:10**

There are several roots for disease:

1. Eating foods which are not compatible with the human body.
2. People get sick through starvation.
3. People get sick from legal or illegal drugs.
4. A person has an accident and the body is weakened.
5. Sickness induced by air pollution and even Agent Orange during the Vietnam War and contamination through germs and viruses or individuals.
6. A person has an inner conflict which he cannot resolve; his soul is so troubled that the soul creates a sickness in the body.
7. Stress and sin will cause sickness.

All of the above causes sickness in human beings.

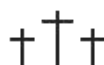
There is also sickness caused by demons, for which there is no physical treatment by earthly doctors.

When a disease is caused by devils, the reversal of such a disease is done in the spirit world with supernatural power from God.

Doctors cannot heal; they can only perform surgery and administer drugs. Vitamins and herbs can strengthen the human body, but all healing comes from within the human body and is a supernatural gift from God.

## **THE PROGRAM JESUS SET UP**

Jesus was not into the program of disease management; He was in the business of disease eradication! This can only be done in the spirit realm. Jesus had a simple program that He taught the disciples. The key to entering the spirit realm is to use the name of Jesus but this only works for those people who have been born again. The name of Jesus does not work for unbelievers. **Acts 19:11-17**



Here is what Jesus told the twelve apostles: **Matthew 10:1-10**

1. Take control over demons and cast them out.
2. To heal all manner of sickness and disease.
3. Declare that the kingdom of Heaven (God) is at hand.
4. Cleanse the lepers and raise the dead.
5. Do not charge for services rendered.

Jesus is the key to entering the spirit realm but it is faith that unlocks the door. The power of God will not flow without faith in God and Jesus. **Matthew 17:14-21**

## **INSTRUCTION TO THE 70 OTHERS**

Some time after Jesus had sent forth the twelve apostles, he also commissioned 70 other men that were part of the group. **Luke 10:1-9**

1. They were to be an advance party of 35 teams that entered every city and place that Jesus planned to visit.
2. Jesus told them the harvest was great and that there weren't enough workers to harvest the crop.
3. They would encounter opposition along the way.
4. They were not to finance their mission project but stay with friendly people for food and lodging.
5. They were to heal the sick and proclaim that the kingdom of God (Heaven) was at hand.

## **REPORT BY THE 70 OTHERS**

The 70 came back and were surprised that the devils had to obey them in the name of Jesus. It gave them great joy that the devils were subject to them. **verse 17**

Jesus told them that He had seen Satan fall like lightning from heaven. **verse 18-19**

None of the disciples understood what Jesus was talking about and it was not until some 60 years later that Jesus revealed how Satan fell from heaven. **Revelation 12:7-12**

## **JESUS REAFFIRMS THE POWER GIVEN TO THEM**

Jesus gave them a fantastic promise of the power He would release but warned them not to rejoice in it; instead, they were to rejoice that their names were written in heaven. **Luke 10:19-22**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE RESURRECTED JESUS**

As believers in Christ living some 2,000 years later, we should take note of Jesus' instructions. **Matthew 28:18-20**

The power to enter into the spirit realm is still available for every believer in Christ. The only thing that has changed is that we are no longer preaching that the kingdom of God is at hand. The disciples looked forward to the kingdom of God and we should rejoice that we are living in the kingdom of God.

***The kingdom of God (Heaven) is no longer at hand, it came into existence on earth the day that Jesus was resurrected from the dead. Revelation 1:17-18***

***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***

***Do you have an ear to hear with?***