Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

WHY DO PEOPLE SUFFER?

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PART 7: SET FREE FROM BONDAGE

SETTING THE CAPTIVES FREE

Casting out demons from unsaved people is not normally fruitful since the person is still a citizen in the Kingdom of Satan with a dead spirit that cannot hear God. **Matthew** 12:43-45

There are exceptions such as when we want to present the Gospel and lead a person to Christ.

The ministry of casting out demons is mainly for people who already are Christians but afflicted by evil spirits. **Matthew 10:7-8**; **Acts 19:13-20**

Everyone on earth are afflicted by evil spirits; the only difference is the degree to which the demons have bound them up. **Acts 8:5-8**

When an unsaved person comes to Jesus and is born again, his dead spirit is born again and his soul is redeemed. But the evil spirits located in his soul and physical body are not automatically removed and must be cast out. This is a teaching that most Christian denominations reject since they claim everything is taken care at the moment of salvation. We are given eternal life at salvation, but that is all that Jesus said we would receive automatically. **John 10:27-30**

- 1. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is available, but, and this a big point, you must ask for it. **Acts 19:1-7**
- 2. Healing is also available to all believers in Christ, but just like with the baptism of the Holy Spirit, you must ask for it. **Matthew 9:27-31**
- 3. People have the choice to be set free from evil spirits, but just like with the previous two points, you must ask for it. **verses 32-33**

NO DISTINCTION

The majority of Christians are able to function to a certain degree but they aren't really living a victorious life. **John 10:7-11**; **Hosea 4:12**

- The fact of the matter is that people in churches are just as depressed as the unsaved.
- Sickness is rampant and many Christians are gluttons.
- The divorce rate among Christians is the same as the unsaved.
- Most Christian teenagers begin to have sexual activities in their early teens and pornography is a plague that is ravaging pastors, elders, deacons, Sunday school teachers and rank and file church members.
- Alcohol and other drugs are taking a great toll on believers in Christ.



BRING THE AFFLICTED PERSON TO REPENTANCE

Jesus knew that deliverance was to be a regular activity in the church. Luke 4:14-21

Repentance is the first step before demons can be permanently removed from a Christian. Luke 4:14-21

Most Christians violate God's laws on a daily basis. Did you know there are 92 curses listed in the Bible? **Deuteronomy 28:13-15**

Then there are generational curses that need to be broken along with ungodly soul ties stemming from fornication, adultery, masturbation and pornography. **Exodus 20:1-6**

It is common for most people to carry unforgiveness and resentment. Jesus stated that if you refuse to forgive those who have hurt you, God won't forgive you either. **Matthew** 6:14-15; 18:21-35

Then there are soul damages like festering sores which date back to the beginning of your life. These too must be dealt with or you will never have the abundant life Jesus promised. **John 10:10**

It comes down to faith; believing that God can set you free from the problems in your life. **James 5:13-20**

ARE YOU AFFLICTED BY EVIL SPIRITS? ARE YOU LIVING AN ABUNDANT LIFE? WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO KEEP EVIL SPIRITS?

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?