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**SCRIPTURAL ADVICE, HELP AND INSIGHT ON HOW TO TRUST THE LORD JESUS CHRIST TO DEFEAT SCHIZOPHRENIA FROM JAMES STACEY NOW CELEBRATING 31 YEARS OF FREEDOM FROM THE DEMONIC BONDAGE AND OVER 33 YEARS OFF ALL ANTI-PSYCHOTIC MEDICATION**

## **HOW FASTING ADDED TO PRAYER AIDS THE BREAKTHROUGH TO FREEDOM FROM SCHIZOPHRENIA**

**THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS MATTHEW CHAPTER 9 Key Verses:14-17**

Then John's disciples came and asked him, "How is that we and the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" Jesus answered, "How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast. No-one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, making the tear worse. Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."



The Lord Jesus Christ knew the secret of fasting and He recommends to his disciples the importance of discovering the benefits of this spiritual discipline. Many Christians who do not suffer with schizophrenia may never or seldom carry out this act of blessing and deepening their regular prayer life. So what hope is there of a believer in Jesus with the deepest psychotic disorder of all moving forward in this spiritual discipline? There is every hope, though it maybe a long time in coming before reaching the place in your daily fight to become free through allowing the Holy Spirit to teach you about prayer and adding fasting to your weaponry.

As more light and revelation is received from the Holy Spirit leading you into all truth, more power is given to challenge the darkness of the demonic condition of schizophrenia. This is in spite of prayer being an uphill battle in your struggle to reach the freedom in Jesus. You have a spiritual fight on maintaining your sanity.

Even though you may be unable to fast at the moment that is not to say that it will be always out of your reach. In response to moving into a living, active and conscious faith in Jesus, you are already qualified to ask, seek and knock at Heaven's door. If ever fasting was added to your prayer life, it would release a power supply of God's spirit your way which would accelerate your freedom out of schizophrenia.

Notice, there is a School of Prayer. Ruth Graham, the wife of world-renowned evangelist Billy Graham used to say: "There is no way to learn to pray but to pray." How true! There IS no way of advancing in the School of Prayer but by praying. The more you move into God's presence and meet with Him, the more you grow in the ways of prayer. It's a lifetime pursuit!

Wesley L. Duwel says in his book "Mighty Prevailing Prayer": "Fasting can intensify your power to prevail in prayer. For those occasions when Satan is long-entrenched and needs to be driven back and expelled, fasting added to prevailing prayer may be imperative. For those

battles where Satan has resisted thus far much militant intercession, add fasting to your prayer. If possible, add collective fasting and prayer". page 187.

You may have only known Jesus as Lord for a very short time before schizophrenia invaded your life. Or you may have crowned Jesus as Lord after that devastating event. In both instances, there has not been much time to grow and advance in God's School of Prayer – never mind about discovering the power of fasting.

Never feel guilty that you are unable to fast. As God will guide you how to pray and develop your prayer life in him, so He will also show when it is the right time to fast. It took well over 23 years before I began to seriously add fasting to prayer in my pursuit of freedom. It was only at the point of knowing a surge of great confidence that my freedom was in sight, that I increased the intensity of prayer ...and hid away to fast, too.

I well remember a time when Tina, my wife, who was helping me into freedom, suggested not to go on a fast. She wrote to me a matter of weeks before God enabled me to cast out a nest of evil spirits in my life, and then healed me miraculously: "Although, you're feeling tired and even bombarded in your mind at present, in a way it's a good sign. The devil knows you are onto something great.

"However, it's not God's will for you to become sapped of energy and worn out even before going to Ellel Ministries (for help). So we have to defeat Satan's tactics and strategy in trying to wear you out in order to stop you receiving ministry.

"Well James, you are on the winning side. Satan is a defeated foe and he has no right to harass you like this. During these last few days, I've felt quite oppressed and worn out but tonight I feel much better. I'm waging war and taking authority over the powers of darkness trying to destroy you.... Don't fast and pray on your own at present. Please don't, no matter how tempted you are to do that. Of course, there is a time to fast and pray but not for you at the moment. If you feel an urgency or desperation to spend excessive time in prayer then just PRAISE, PRAISE, PRAISE (exerting your will in PRAISE) and you will find the agitation or whatever will pass. The devil hates PRAISE." (see Homepage and Read Three Extracts from Book, Schizophrenia Defeated Chapter 9).

Take heart, my Christian friend, as you take hold of God and His freedom for your life!

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*IF YOU HAVE NEVER INVITED JESUS CHRIST INTO YOUR LIFE, AND WISH TO, DO PRAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER WITH ALL YOUR HEART: "Lord God Almighty, I approach you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. I know I have sinned in my thoughts, words and actions. There are so many good things I have not done. There are so many sinful things I have done. I am truly sorry for the sinfulness in my life, but most of all I acknowledge the sin that separates me from you. I accept the death of Jesus on the Cross to redeem me and extend the gift of eternal life. Gratefully, I give my life back to you as I now ask you to come into my life. Come in as my Saviour and Lord and cleanse me. Come in as my Lord to control me. Come with the strength of your grace and the power of your Spirit to defeat the evil spirit of schizophrenia that troubles me. Now you have set my spirit free, pour your delivering and healing power into my life as I take authority in the name of Jesus through the power of his blood over the intruding force. I assert your ownership of my life and resist any legal right that the devil seeks to hold over my life and bind up and expel any evil presence. I believe that my mind can be completely set free and my whole life enjoy the total freedom of Jesus. Amen.*

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**FOR FURTHER READING: See Archive Files**

**2020** 17 May – Declaring Without A Shadow Of Doubt Why A Christian Is More Equipped Than A Non-Christian In Being Able To Defeat Schizophrenia

**2019** 14 July – Hide Yourself Away With God And Receive Strength To Defeat Schizophrenia

**2018** 11 March – Prevent Your Heart And Mind Becoming Cold In Its Love To The Lord Jesus Christ

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**PROCLAMATION**  
TO OVERCOME THE DEVIL

I testify to Satan personally as to what the **word** says the **blood** does for me: <sup>1</sup>

Through the blood of Jesus, I am redeemed out of the hand of the devil. <sup>2</sup>

Through the blood of Jesus, all my sins are forgiven. <sup>2a</sup>

The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, continually cleanses me from all sin. <sup>3</sup>

Through the blood of Jesus, I am justified, made righteous, *just-as-if-I'd* never sinned. <sup>4</sup>

Through the blood of Jesus, I am sanctified, made holy, set apart to God. <sup>5</sup>

My body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, redeemed, cleansed, by the blood of Jesus. <sup>6</sup>

**Satan has no place in me, no power over me, through the blood of Jesus.**

—by Derek Prince

<sup>1</sup> Revelation 12:11  
"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb [Jesus Christ], and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." [That is, they testified to what the Word of God says about the blood of Jesus.]

<sup>2</sup> Ephesians 1:7  
In Him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace . . .

<sup>2a</sup> Psalm 107:2  
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy . . .

<sup>3</sup> 1 John 1:7  
But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

<sup>4</sup> Romans 5:9  
Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

<sup>5</sup> Hebrews 13:12  
Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

<sup>6</sup> 1 Corinthians 6:19-20  
Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

## WEEKLY ENCOURAGER 3 OCTOBER

### **FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST RELEASING HIS LIFE, AUTHORITY AND POWER TO SET YOU FREE**

*THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS JOHN CHAPTER 11: Key Verses 17–27: (Jesus Raises Lazarus From The Dead) - On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" "Yes, Lord," she told him. "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world." Verses 38-44: Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days." Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them. "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."*

*In facing up to life blitzed by schizophrenia, sufferers need hope to endure more than exhortation to become free.*

*I have asked myself how much of the 26 years of battling schizophrenia contained a serious pursuit of faith aimed at wanting to reach total freedom from the bondage.*

*For over 22 years, the only priority that seemed to grip me was the need to survive through desperately holding onto Jesus. I can well understand if you, too, struggle to keep your head above water each day.*

*When loved ones came alongside me with direct words of encouragement and hope, I did not always fully understand their well-meaning support.*

*So complex is the mind of even a Christian schizophrenic that normal thought patterns are often subject to distortion and confusion bringing misunderstanding of the good expressions of others.*

*But what if there had been exhortations to engage in spiritual warfare aimed at setting myself free from the entrenched prison-house of schizophrenia? What good would it have done?*

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**A PRAYER OF HOPE FOR THOSE SUFFERING WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA:** "Lord God Almighty, will you hear my prayer and make the sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ real to me. Wipe away my sins that were atoned for on the Cross of Calvary by Jesus in order that I might not have to die eternally. I believe that Jesus took all my sins and my sorrows and made them His very own and after three days He rose again from the dead and now makes intercession for me. By the power of His shed blood, I believe I am now set free and opened up to all the resources of His grace and power. I am looking forward to the day – why not today – when the evil bondage of schizophrenia surrounding my mind is totally defeated. I ask You, Heavenly Father, to help me drive out the dark, spiritual presence by the light and power of your conquering Holy Spirit's presence. I want to know the reality of the promise Jesus made that whoever follows him will not walk in darkness but will have the Light of Life. Make it happen for me, as I pray in the Mighty Name of Jesus, Amen.

**GLOBALISM**

**FAKE AND BIASED NEWS**

**POLITICALLY CORRECT NEWS**

**UNREPORTED NEWS**

**GOOD  
NEWS!!**



## **GOOD NEWS!**

THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS GOING TO RETURN TO EARTH TO SET UP HIS OWN KINGDOM AND WILL REIGN WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS AND JUSTICE!

GOD WANTS US TO BE READY FOR HIS COMING AND YOU CAN BE PART OF THAT KINGDOM WHEN YOU ASK JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S ETERNAL SON, TO FORGIVE YOU OF YOUR SIN, WHICH IS PRIDE AND REBELLION AGAINST GOD.

ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AS YOUR SAVIOUR AND LORD. THE DAY YOU ACCEPT HIM INTO YOUR LIFE HE GIVES THE FREE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE AND HIS EVERLASTING PEACE!

WHAT NEXT? BUY A BIBLE FROM ANY BOOKSTORE AND SEARCH THE TRUTH FOR YOURSELF. THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD FOR US!

**DON'T DELAY!  
GO FOR IT!**

## WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE WORLD AT PRESENT?

1. Violence and knife crime is on the increase, particularly in the west.
2. Family breakdown. Civil, ethnic and political unrest.
3. Deception - growing confusion, regarding beliefs and gender identity.
4. Growing belief in Universalism - all religions lead to God and no-one has the monopoly of TRUTH. A move to a one world religion.
5. People are sold into the lie of not giving offence to others, rather than upholding what they believe as truth, hence the rise of Political Correctness.
6. A move towards a One World government. The emergence of 'Deep State' with powerful secret societies, such as 'The Illuminati', manoeuvring across the world stage. Leaders in some secret societies dictate to country leaders who to put in power. Globalism is being promoted - through the irradiation of country borders and nationhood.



7. Federal Reserve. This is a private bank and is not monitored. These bankers want to help control the world and the finance system. They originally took gold from the Americas into the Federal Reserve for safe keeping but never returned it.
8. Famines and unprecedented migration. Earthquakes - more in the 20th century than in the previous 19 centuries. Many wars across every continent with thousands of innocent people and children killed.
9. Climate change involvement is becoming completely dominant in people's hearts and minds. Some theological students in New York are confessing their sins to plants! A generation is emerging that is worshipping creation rather than God the creator!

## WHAT DOES JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S SON, HAVE TO SAY ABOUT ALL THIS? QUITE A LOT!

Jesus Christ's first coming was prophesied around 137 times in the Old Testament of the Bible hundreds of years before He was born in Bethlehem. There are over 200 prophecies regarding His Second Coming in both the Old and New Testaments.

Jesus lived for around 33 years, was then falsely accused and suffered by dying on the Cross outside Jerusalem around 2,000 years ago. There He died for you and me and God's anger for our sin was placed on Him. After Jesus died, He was placed in a tomb and three days later came back to life. He went back to heaven but promised to return to earth to take those who love Him to be with Him forever.

Jesus said in Matthew's gospel, Chapter 24, that the following would take place before He returns to the earth:-

1. False Christs and false prophets will appear.
2. Wars and rumours of wars.
3. Famines and earthquakes which will be like the beginning of labour pains.
4. Those who are followers of Jesus Christ will be hated and even put to death.

5. An increase in wickedness across the earth.
6. Many will turn away from the truth and betray each other.
7. Great distress - unequalled from the beginning of the world until now - will occur. Jesus, speaking of Himself, said, "the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken." At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn because of Him. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other." (Matthew's gospel, Chapter 24:29-30). Why did they mourn? Because they were not prepared for His Coming!
8. Jesus warned His disciples to "keep watch" and to be aware of the times in which we live. He said: "No-one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man." What was characteristic of those days? Violence and wickedness was rife and present in everyone's mind was only evil all the time.

See below in the pictures **BEFORE AND AFTER** deliverance and healing, the visible difference made by the power of the Holy Spirit on my great day of freedom in May 1990.



**BEFORE DELIVERANCE AND HEALING**

showing the "gates of brass and bars of iron" around my mind requiring the power of Jesus to shatter once and for all.



**THE GATES OF HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL**

by Rebekah Laue of Pagosa Springs, Colorado, U.S.A.



**AFTER DELIVERANCE AND HEALING**

picture taken at 6.15 a.m. at Derby Railway Station five days after Jesus set me free, on my way to show Tina "her new man"

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**PROCLAMATION FOR GOD'S PROTECTION by Derek Prince**

**NO WEAPON** that is formed against me shall prosper and every tongue which rises against me in judgement I do condemn. This is my heritage as a servant of the Lord and my righteousness is from You, O Lord of Hosts. If there are those who have been speaking or praying against me, or seeking harm or evil to me, or who have rejected me, I forgive them. Having forgiven them, I bless them in the name of the Lord." \*

**NOW I DECLARE**, O Lord, that You and You alone are my God, and besides You there is no other – a just God and a Saviour, the Father, the Son and the Spirit – and I worship You!

**I SUBMIT** myself afresh to You in unreserved obedience. Having submitted to You, Lord, I do as Your Word directs. I resist the devil: all his pressures, his attacks, his deceptions, every instrument or agent he would seek to use against me. I do not submit! I resist him, drive him from me and exclude him from me in the Name of Jesus. Specifically I reject and repel: infirmity, pain, infection, inflammation, malignancies, allergies, viruses, and every form of witchcraft.

**FINALLY, LORD**, I thank You that through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, I have passed out from under the curse and entered into the blessing of Abraham whom You blessed in all things:\*\* exaltation, health, reproductiveness, prosperity, victory and God's favour. AMEN

\*see Matthew 5: 43-45; Romans 12:14

\*\*see Galatians 3:13-14; Genesis 24:1

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We are continuing to insert in the Weekly Encourager some powerful Scriptures to read, memorise and meditate on for USE in your prayer battle to drive out the demon of schizophrenia. By so doing your confidence in the LORD JESUS CHRIST will grow because the words will impart "spirit and life" into your spirit, and so equip you in your fight for freedom to know the deliverance and healing of JESUS CHRIST.

(Jesus said) "But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. Or again, how can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man? Then he can rob his house." Matthew 12 28-29

(Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say) "They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death". Revelation 12:11

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own, you were bought at a price. Therefore honour God with your body. 1 Corinthians 6 19-20

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You may be reading the Weekly Encourager for the first time and have stumbled across our website in a desperate search to break free of schizophrenia. Or every week you visit W.E. for encouragement and help to overcome this “monster” of mental illnesses and have been given REAL HOPE that the Lord Jesus is the only One to open the prison door to freedom in your life once and for all time. We encourage you to keep logging into the site as often as you can for scriptural advice as we continue to point to Jesus who is well-trying and tested in the area of setting captives free from a bondage that no-one else can conquer. Our website [www.schizophreniadefeated.com](http://www.schizophreniadefeated.com) seeks to magnify the dear Son of God who left the courts of heaven to come to our world and die for you and me on the Cross at a place called Calvary just outside Jerusalem over 2,000 years ago. In that sacrifice, he paid the punishment and penalty of your sin and mine and on the third day rose again as “The Resurrection and the Life”. He releases TODAY into your life and to anyone accepting his sacrifice, the same victorious life that brought him back from the dead, in the person of the Holy Spirit. Why not invite him into your life right now? It’s a life-transforming experience that you CAN REALLY KNOW – which is well able to defeat and conquer the hell of schizophrenia you struggle with, for good!



*"I will proclaim your mighty acts, O sovereign Lord" Psalm 71: 16*

*James Stacey, Pray Until Schizophrenia Heals*