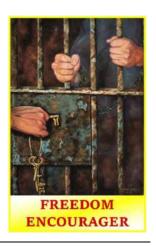
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SCRIPTURAL ADVICE, HELP AND INSIGHT ON HOW TO TRUST THE LORD JESUS CHRIST TO DEFEAT SCHIZOPHRENIA FROM JAMES STACEY NOW CELEBRATING 33 YEARS OF FREEDOM FROM THE DEMONIC BONDAGE AND OVER 35 YEARS OFF ALL **ANTI-PSYCHOTIC MEDICATION**



WHAT A TRANSFORMATION WHEN A SCHIZOPHRENIC KNOWS GOD IS REVIVING **HIS HEART!**

THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS JOHN'S **GOSPEL CHAPTER 4: Key Verses 1-26:**

Jesus Talks With a Samaritan Woman: The Pharisees heard that Jesus was gaining and baptising more disciples than John, although in fact it was not Jesus who baptised, but his disciples. When the Lord learned of this, he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour.



When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

"Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his flocks and herds?"

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

He told her, "Go, call you husband and come back."

"I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

"Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshippers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth."

The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he."

Through worshipping the living God revealed to you in Jesus Christ, life forever is changed and your perspective on it, too. How you now face its trials and disappointments, its challenges and frustrations all turn on the fact that you are now united with Christ who helps you meet those circumstances differently through the power of His grace.

The wonderful revelation you possess of knowing Jesus Christ as Saviour is eternal truth so precious you will never allow the abiding knowledge of your relationship with Him to be stolen from you.

If, as happened to me, eight years after knowing Jesus, a life-shattering event occurs in which your life is threatened by the strong invasion of dark evil called schizophrenia, then a conflict begins in which you throw yourself into the arms of Jesus, who is standing by to help you face the crisis.

The Holy Spirit of truth within you sweeps into action to help you prevent shipwreck taking place within your mind. You could well feel at this time that your fellowship with Christ is under attack and life's freedom is in danger. But the kingdom of God within you is a powerful kingdom and Jesus will not let you be overcome.

In our Bible reading for this week, I was reminded of the preciousness of knowing Christ as He was in conversation with the Samaritan woman. At the point where Jesus says to her: "You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews," the Holy Spirit lit up the wonderful privilege of knowing Jesus Christ personally. What a complete waste of time and utter futility in giving worship to a god that is not known. Because Jesus is the One and Only True God, He can be known and IS KNOWN through the power of His Presence, the Holy Spirit abiding within us! Hallelujah!

Just think for a moment, how would you or I cope if we could not cry out to the Lord Jesus in faith every time the evil of schizophrenia moves in to torment and threatens to rob us of life itself? I would never have lasted 26 years without the faithfulness of Jesus in my life! His power came to me through His Word right inside my very heart, praying me through, comforting me, imparting hope. Through that quickened word, I went into warfare mode to oppose the evil, declaring that demons had no legal right to be in my life as I was the property of the Lord Jesus bought by Him through His death on Calvary. It was this statement of faith that began to dislodge the power of the demons until becoming white-hot it made them feel they ought to depart with grease-lightning speed from my life. The opposition strengthened by the Holy Spirit in me was too much for them to face!

You may be facing an onslaught in your mind but however unpleasant it is, the Holy Spirit will teach you to rely on Jesus and though the fight could be prolonged, you know Jesus is with you helping you win the victory in His Name. Begin to rise up in faith, pray Christ's protection over all of your body and allow no moment to take place where Satan becomes too much for you.

Jesus Christ is the living water referred to in our Bible reading – and what a powerhouse of might, power and authority He is. Christ living within you is your life TODAY. He lives by faith in your spirit and mind, and affects your will and emotions. I just want to say in encouraging you TODAY – if you have received Christ as Saviour ask Him to show you through faith WHO IT IS WHO IS REALLY LIVING WITHIN YOU. We all need a daily appreciation that it is none other than the Lord of the Universe, the Supreme God Almighty, our Loving Heavenly Father living in us through the precious sacrifice of Jesus Christ, His Son, on the Cross at Calvary for each one of us.

I want to leave with you a challenge to allow more of the living water of Christ's presence to FILL YOU LIFE through faith. Christ has the power to transform and change your life completely. Today, life may not be as good or as free as you would like, but never underestimate what Jesus can do. I stand amazed at the transformation He has performed in my life, but His power can do the same for you, too. The living water of the Holy Spirit can so flow in your life that a new life can be yours. You can be ransomed, healed, restored and forgiven by Jesus and experience such joy and delight in God that the misery of schizophrenia can be put forever behind you as you want to tell others of what Christ has done for you.

Jesus Christ will come and fill you with His Spirit as you have faith to believe. Keep telling Him that you can't settle for anything less than His fullness. Learn about faith, exercise faith, steep yourself in the Word of God that inspires faith. Nothing will come unless you know what it is to believe in Jesus.

As to the man who brought his demon-possessed son to Jesus and said, "...But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us" you may hear the Lord reply: "'If you can'?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for him who believes."

<u>Be encouraged by this meditation by Charles Haddon Spurgeon on "Strong in faith" – Romans 4:20</u>

CHRISTIAN, take good care of thy faith; for recollect faith is the only way whereby you can obtain blessings. If we want blessings from God, nothing can fetch them down but faith. Prayer cannot draw down answers from God's throne except it be the earnest prayer of the man who believes. Faith is the angelic messenger between the soul and the Lord Jesus in glory. Let that angel be withdrawn, we can neither send up prayer, nor receive the answers. Faith is the telegraphic wire which links earth and heaven - on which God's messages of love fly so fast, that before we call He answers, and while we are yet speaking He hears us. But if that telegraphic wire of faith be snapped, how can we receive the promise? Am I in trouble? - I can obtain help for trouble by faith. Am I beaten about by the enemy? - my soul on her dear Refuge leans by faith. But take faith away - in vain I call to God. There is no road betwixt my soul and heaven. In the deepest winter-time faith is a road on which the horses of prayer may travel ay, and all the better for the biting frost; but blockade the road, and how can we communicate with the Great King? Faith links me with divinity. Faith clothes me with the power of God. Faith engages on my side the omnipotence of Jevovah. Faith ensures every attribute of God in my defence. It helps to defy the hosts of hell. It makes me march triumphant over the necks of my enemies. But without faith how can I receive anything of the Lord? Let not him that wavereth who is like a wave of the Sea – expect that he will receive anything of God! O then, Christian, watch well thy faith; for with it you can win all things, however poor you are, but without it you can obtain nothing. "If you can believe, all things are possible to him that believes."

FOR FURTHER READING: See Weekly Encourager / Freedom Encourager Archive File:

2022 21 August – Discover The Preciousness Of Faith In Your Pursuit Of Freedom From Schizophrenia

2021 23 May – Know Your Authority In The Lord Jesus Christ Before Expelling The Demon Of Schizophrenia

2020 18 October - Praising God Is A Mighty Weapon In Driving Out Schizophrenia

The purpose of bringing out a Freedom Encourager each fortnight is to highlight the promised hope there is in the Lord Jesus Christ defeating schizophrenia. Our Weekly Encourager files between 2010 and 2023 contain scriptural advice, insight and help designed to give encouragement to those like yourself struggling for long sought-after freedom – so do make use of the facility provided, asking God to reveal His truth to you from the various messages. May He richly provide all you need to bring you out of the prison house of schizophrenia into His most glorious freedom! HE IS ABLE!

Let me no more my comfort draw, From my frail hold of Thee. In this alone rejoice with awe, THY MIGHTY GRASP OF ME! And every virtue we possess, And every conquest won, And every thought of holiness, ARE HIS ALONE.

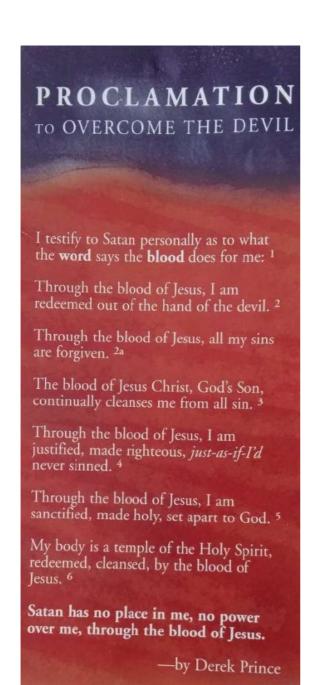
John Campbell Sharp (1819-1885)

Harriet Auber (1773-1862)

Not unto us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.

Psalm 115, verse 1

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.



1 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.]

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

^{2a} Psalm 107:2

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy . . .

3 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.

4 Romans 5:9

Much more then, having now been **justified** by His **blood**, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

⁵ Hebrews 13:12

Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

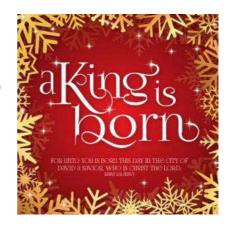
6 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

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.

FREEDOM ENCOURAGER 10 & 17 DECEMBER 2023

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST ONLY - AND HIS WONDROUS LOVE - IS THE REASON FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS JOHN'S GOSPEL CHAPTER 8: Key Verses 12-59



THE VALIDITY OF JESUS' TESTIMONY: When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light

of life." The Pharisees challenged him, "Here you are, appearing as your own witness; your testimony is not valid." Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid, for I know where I came from and where I am going. But you have no idea where I come from or where I am going. You judge by human standards; I pass judgment on no-one. But if I do judge, my decisions are right, because I am not alone. I stand with the Father, who sent me. In your own Law it is written that the testimony of two men is valid. I am one who testifies for myself; my other witness is the Father, who sent me."

Then they asked him, "Where is your father?" "You do not know me or my Father," Jesus replied. "If you knew me, you would know my Father also." He spoke these words while teaching in the temple area near the place where the offerings were put. Yet no-one seized him, because his time had not yet come.

Once more Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come." This made the Jews ask, "Will he kill himself? Is that why he says, 'Where I go, you cannot come'?"

But he continued, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins."

"Who are you?" they asked. "Just what I have been claiming all along," Jesus replied. "I have much to say in judgment of you. But he who sent me is reliable, and what I have heard from him I tell the world."

They did not understand that he was telling them about his Father. So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am the one I claim to be, and that I do nothing on my own but speak just what the Father has taught me. The one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him." Even as he spoke, many put their faith in him.

The Children of Abraham

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it for ever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. I know you are Abraham's descendants. Yet you are ready to kill me, because you have no room for my word. I am telling you what I have seen in the Father's presence, and you what you have heard from your father."

"Abraham is our father," they answered. "If you were Abraham's children," said Jesus, "then you would do the things Abraham did. As it is, you are determined to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. Abraham did not do such things. You are doing the things your own father does."

"We are not illegitimate children," they protested. "The only Father we have is God himself."

The Children of the Devil

Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and now am here. I have not come on my own; but he sent me. Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say. You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire.

"He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me! Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me? He who belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God."

The Claims of Jesus About Himself

The Jews answered him, "Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demonpossessed?" "I am not possessed by a demon," said Jesus, "but I honour my Father and you dishonour me. I am not seeking glory for myself; but there is one who seeks it, and he is the judge. I tell you the truth, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death."

At this the Jews exclaimed, "Now we know that you are demon-possessed! Abraham died and so did the prophets, yet you say that if anyone keeps your word, he will never taste death. Are you greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?"

Jesus replied, "If I glorify myself, my glory means nothing. My Father, whom you claim as your God, is the one who glorifies me. Though you do not know him, I know him. If I said I did not, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and keep his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad."

"You are not yet fifty years old," the Jews said to him, "and you have seen Abraham!" "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.

Christmastime is the unique celebration of God's gift of His Son, Jesus Christ to our world – the best news of love we shall ever receive and the only enduring news to land us on heaven's happy shore.

Do give some thought wherever you are in the world during this special season of the year to the fact that the one and only true God who created you loves you with "an everlasting love".

The favourite Bible verse of countless Christian believers is on their hearts today – "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3.16

A song is going around the world that echoes the truth of those words - "I'm special, because God loves me, for He sent His best gift of Jesus to the world to save me ..."

Knowing that God Himself loves you can change your whole life. Just think of it – you are so precious to God that He sent His Son to our world in order that you might have everlasting life.

The whole human race needed redeeming. Our first forefather, Adam transgressed against God and sin came into our world from that moment. We needed a Saviour to redeem us and restore us. Knowing our plight, God sent Jesus to bring us back to Himself and in dying for us He opened up the way of everlasting life.

The biggest turmoil in our whole world today is overcoming and defeating the presence of sin in the human heart. The good news is that Jesus came from heaven to die on a Cross in order to wipe away and forgive each person their sin and give the free gift of eternal life. His powerful love cancels out our sin and brings us into a new, wonderful fellowship with Christ Himself, our Lord and Saviour, and God our Heavenly Father, whom we approach in the name of Jesus.

The Christmas message, and the message for all of the year, is simply this – that the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ sent His one and only Son into our world over 2,000 years ago. To those who accept His wonderful gift by faith receive His Presence into their lives through the abiding Holy Spirit. (John 16: 3-16).

To those Christians suffering with schizophrenia in their minds but are leaning on the love of Jesus in their hearts, here is a word of encouragement. The strong love of Jesus is powerful enough to free you from the bondage and lead you out to enjoy living in the permanent freedom of His love.

Do keep holding on to Jesus however difficult life may be. All the strength and hope you need can be found in Jesus who is committed to bring you through. HE IS STILL A STRONG DELIVERER! SO NEVER LOSE HEART. KEEP ABIDING IN THE STRONG LOVE OF JESUS. RESIST EVERY DARK PRESENCE THAT SEEKS TO ROB YOU OF LIFE ITSELF AND DECLARE THE OWNERSHIP OF JESUS OVER YOU LIFE!

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure." I John 3: 1-3



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.
- 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.

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', manoevering across the world stage. Leaders in some secret societies dictate to country leaders who to put in power. Globalism is being promoted through the irradication 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.
- 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!

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 ON 2nd MAY 1990.



BEFORE DELIVERANCE
AND HEALING

showing the strong "gates of brass and bars of iron" behind my eyes and around my mind requiring the power of JESUS CHRIST to defeat.



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 Station 5 days after Jesus set me free - on my way to show Tina "her new man."

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

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.

Then Jesus said to them, "Don't you understand this parable? How then will you understand any parable? The farmer sows the word. Some people are like seed along the path, where the word is sown. As soon as they hear it, Satan comes and takes away the word that was sown in them. Others, like seed sown on rocky places, hear the word and at once receive it with joy. But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. Still others, like seed sown among thorns, hear the

word; but the worries and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful. Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop, thirty, sixty or even a hundred times what was sown." Mark 4:13-20

"If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the LORD'S holy day honourable, and if you honour it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words, then you will find your joy in the LORD, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob," The mouth of the LORD has spoken. Isaiah 58:13-14

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. 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. Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short." Revelation 12:10-12

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-tried and tested in the area of setting captives free from a bondage that no-one else can conquer. Our website 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