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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 32 YEARS OF FREEDOM FROM THE DEMONIC BONDAGE AND OVER 34 YEARS OFF ALL ANTI-PSYCHOTIC MEDICATION

DISCOVER THE PRECIOUSNESS OF FAITH IN YOUR PURSUIT OF FREEDOM FROM SCHIZOPHRENIA

THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS MARK CHAPTER 11: Key Verses 20-25:

Have Faith in God: In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig-tree withered from the roots. Peter remembered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!" Have faith in God," Jesus answered. "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you,



whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."

If there was a verse of Scripture from the lips of the Lord Jesus Christ which every Christian struggling with schizophrenia needs to adopt as their own personal motto it is the much-loved promise found in Mark 11 verse 24: "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

In your own quest to reach God's purchased freedom and realise that "life is mine to live", it will take every bit of reliance on Jesus to get you there – be completely assured. For your mind and life has become so embroiled in demonic darkness that it is only the Divine intervention of Jesus who can burst open life's most complicated mental prison-house.

Think for a moment what you are going through. In the desire to become free, you are contending against a personality inside your own, feeding insidious thoughts and bent on complete mastery and destruction.

While endeavouring to find and live to the guidance and dictates of the Spirit of God and possess the mind of Christ, you are often utterly confused.

One day, you may think that a line of discipline being pursued is definitely of God, then the next it is questioned according to how much spiritual light is shining into your spirit from the Holy Spirit.

That's why it is such a battle to fall out of agreement with the voices and personality of the demon of schizophrenia who all the time schemes to draw other spirits to overwhelm your life as a disciple of Jesus.

BUT HERE IS THE GOOD NEWS! The power of the Lord Jesus Christ is stronger than the kingdom and power of darkness of Satan. Through living, active and conscious faith YOU CAN HAVE the promised freedom of Jesus for your own.

Let's talk about FAITH – the kind that wins the day; the kind that asserts itself in the finished work of Jesus who really did defeat all the powers of the devil. It's that kind of faith that is required. Faith that dwells in Jesus and His Word. Read the Word of God to build up your faith! Memorise it.

Remember: "... faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God," (Romans 10 verse 17)... "and without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him." (Hebrews 11 verse 6). Desire to have a heart with every thought renewed in Jesus.

Pray to God to send Christians with a compassionate heart to support and stand with you in prayer to make you strong as you fight to become free.

Cry out to God for the faith that brings deliverance empowered by the Holy Spirit that moves the powers of darkness out of your life. Value your times alone with the LORD of Lords and the KING of kings who is aware of your every move and stands to give you His strength every moment. The resources of heaven are on your side and to command demonic presences in your life to leave. Pray on!

Keep believing! Strength is promised to enable you take control of your life and move into the freedom of Jesus from schizophrenia through deliverance.

If you think that the fight to become free is too hard and you'll never make it, know this... every day you stand in the liberty of Jesus, your possession of God, and His possession of you, will grow and grow.

Your tiring, even exhausting fight, at times will see its reward. The prison gates will yield as you strongly resist any presence in your life except Jesus. You will come through with God's purchased freedom through His Son Jesus Christ fully yours.

Don't give up. Never throw in the towel. Jesus is making you strong and you know that in his strength YOU CAN DO ALL THINGS.

Faith in Jesus comes at a price. The Bible rightly calls it "precious faith" (1 Peter 1 verse 7). Faith in Jesus is so very, very precious. Not faith in faith, but living, vibrant, dynamic faith in your precious Saviour, Jesus Christ. Pray — "Give me the faith that can remove and sink the mountain to a plain".

Give me the faith which can remove
And sink the mountain to a plain;
Give me the child-like praying love,
Which longs to build Thy house again;
Thy love, let it my heart o'erpower
And all my simple soul devour.

My talents, gifts, and graces, Lord, Into Thy blessed hands receive;
And let me live to preach Thy word, And let me to Thy glory live,
My every sacred moment spend In publishing the sinners' Friend.

I would the precious time redeem,
And longer live for this alone,
To spend, and to be spent, for them
Who have not yet my Saviour known;
Fully on these my mission prove,
And only breathe, to breathe Thy love.

Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart
With boundless charity divine,
So shall I all my strength exert,
And love them with a zeal like thine,
And lead them to thy open side,
The sheep for whom their Shepherd died.

Charles Wesley 1707-81

Extract from Maturity In The Life Of Prayer by E Stanley Jones, page 302 of Christian Maturity.

"One of the things the Spirit within helps us to find is maturity in the prayer life. "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. And he who searches the hearts of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints



"Here we find Paul putting his finger on the central point of our "weakness" – weakness in prayer life. And because we are weak in our prayer life we are weak in maturity. If the prayer life is immature the whole life is immature. For prayer is the central resource for maturity in any person's life. And there is no exception. If we are weak in prayer, we are weak - full stop. If

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according to the will of God" (Romans 8:26-27).

"As I travel through the world and get in contact with men and women of all races, I find that the greatest source of weakness in character and influence is to be found in the prayer life. Most of the casualties in the spiritual life are found at the place of a weakened prayer life. When the prayer life is toned up the whole of the rest of the life is toned up with it. Prayer is pivotal. I find I am better or worse as I pray more or less. If prayer fades, power fades. When I pray I'm like an electric bulb put into the socket, full of light and power. When I don't pray, I'm like that same bulb pulled out of the socket - no light, no power. And it is as simple as that. And it works with a mathematical precision. In prayer our weakness is linked to Almightiness, our ignorance linked to Infinite Wisdom, our finite self to the Infinite Self."

O Gracious Father, how grateful I am that I am not left alone to flounder in my weakness – I can be attached to Thy Strength. I am not left alone in my sin – I can be attached savingly to Thy Holiness. I am not left alone – I can be attached to Thee. Amen

The purpose of bringing out a Weekly Encourager is to highlight the promised hope there is in the Lord Jesus Christ defeating schizophrenia. Our Archive file copies 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!

John Campbell Sharp (1819-1885)

And every virtue we possess. And every conquest won, And every thought of holiness, ARE HIS ALONE.

Harriet Auber (1773-1862)

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

Psalm 115, verse 1

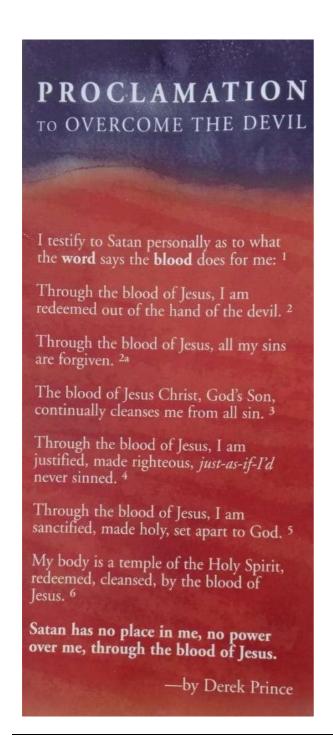
IF YOU HAVE NEVER INVITED JESUS CHRIST INTO YOUR LIFE, AND WISH TO, DO PRAY THE FOLLOWING PRAYER WITH ALL YOUR HEART: "Lord God Almighty, I approach you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. I know I have sinned in my thoughts, words and actions. There are so many good things I have not done. There 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.

FOR FURTHER READING: SEE WEEKLY ENCOURAGER ARCHIVE FILE

2021 26 September – How Fasting Added to Prayer Aids The Breakthrough To Freedom From Schizophrenia

2020 20 September – "This One Thing I Know – Jesu's Love Never Failed Me Yet"

2019 10 November – Jesus Christ Said "I Am The Way, And The Truth, And The Life"



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

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HOW TO SURVIVE WHEN SCHIZOPHRENIA THREATENS TO STEAL YOUR MIND

THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS JOHN CHAPTER 14: Key Verses 12-26:

Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit: "I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it. If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever - the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans;

I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him." Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world? Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have said to you."

The eruption of schizophrenia in a person's mind heralds the appearance of an uninvited evil spirit whose final goal is one of bringing destruction.

This truth is revealed by the Holy Spirit to a discerning Christian who senses their life is in real danger through the ensuing battle and turmoil raging in the mind.

It is this factual and intense warfare going on in the life of a Christian that the body of Jesus Christ, His Church, needs to see and know. Real help and support for Christian schizophrenics is virtually non-existent at church level because of the lack of awareness of the struggle existing daily in the lives of thousands held in strong bondage.

When the pressure of demonic thoughts and lies is bombarding your mind, you are helpless to cope EXCEPT as you lean with all your heart and mind on God and His word. Praying into your life words which are spirit and life and pleading the protection of the blood of Jesus Christ are ways of maintaining your sanity.

If you were not able to raise up from within your heart such a godly defence mechanism, there would be nothing to resist the onslaught attacking your mind. "For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any two-edged sword ..." and provides you with a trusty weapon to ward off the enemy (see Hebrews 4:12).

You may feel – as I did on many occasions – that you are losing the fight for your freedom and have no more strength to continue. But during every day, and in every hour of the day, remember that you have a Saviour, Jesus Christ the Lord, who is a Mighty Deliverer and, as the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, HE HAS PREVAILED for you. He will bring you through – be confident about that. Expect Him to quicken your faith at those times when only feelings are present.

I remember particularly in the first few years of the 26 that I battled schizophrenia of rejoicing that the freedom Jesus had given me in my spirit could not be reached by Satan or demonic forces. Whenever the attacks on my mind increased, I would endeavour to lean on Jesus and His word for security - and He always brought me through. He will do the same for you, too.

You could be tired out because of always being aware that your life is under siege and of constantly having to be in a position of defending yourself. But remember, that you have to hold your ground if you are to come through, even when the pressure is unrelenting.

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.



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

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', 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!

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:-

- False Christs and false prophets will appear.
- 2. Wars and rumours of wars.
- 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"

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.

(Jesus said): "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." Luke 22:31

We live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5: 7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6

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