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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

## When Enough People Pray Enough Time And Breakthrough With Holy Spirit Power Your Deliverance From Schizophrenia Is Assured

# THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS ACTS CHAPTER 12:

Peter's Miraculous Escape from Prison. Key Verses 1-7: It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. When he saw that this pleased the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Feast of Unleavened Bread. After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover. So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him. The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries



stood guard at the entrance. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists.

<u>Verses 11-14</u> Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I know without a doubt that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from Herod's clutches and from everything the Jewish people were anticipating." When this had dawned on him, he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, also called Mark, where many people had gathered and were praying. Peter knocked at the outer entrance, and a servant girl named Rhoda came to answer the door. When she recognised Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed she ran back without opening it and exclaimed, "Peter is at the door!".

<u>Verses 16-17</u> But Peter kept on knocking, and when they opened the door and saw him, they were astonished. Peter motioned with his hand to be quiet and described how the Lord had brought him out of prison...



It is a commonly held conviction among faith-filled Christians that it takes power in prayer and often a volume of prayer "to get some jobs done" or secure a breakthrough. Jesus made a revealing statement when He answered the disciples about their inability to drive out a deaf and mute spirit (see Mark (9:28-29) – "This cannot come out only by prayer." (some manuscripts add "prayer and fasting").

If ever power in prayer and a volume of prayer were needed it is in the deliverance and healing of schizophrenia, the worst-ever mental affliction/spiritual bondage of all.

But remember, while the power of prayer is needed to set free either a Christian or an unbeliever, God is so amazingly able to bring about deliverance and healing in a moment of time. He can work on His own or through a human agent filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

A pastor friend in India tells us of a man who had suffered with spirits of insanity for 35 years being set free in a moment of time. The son of the man (pictured right) asked the Christian visitor to his village and home in Rajasthan: "Can your Jesus do anything for my father who has been mentally sick for many years?"

"Yes He can," the visitor replied. The father, who was always found wandering about the village - often drinking his own urine – was brought for prayer. In the Name of Jesus, the evil presence was bound and cast out, and he became completely free in a moment of time. The joy of freedom was immediately evident on his face.



Hope of being set free from schizophrenia and being totally restored is declared and sent out to you TODAY!! Any Christians reading this who have a heart to see a fellow-Christian schizophrenic set free are encouraged to get alongside those needing deliverance, and to pray them through.

In the eleven years of releasing the Weekly Encourager on Pray Until Schizophrenia Heals, we have been informed by loved ones or friends of long-standing bondage of schizophrenia among Christians. I challenge you to believe that these dear ones can be set free. Jesus is still well able to do it provided there is the required faith and power of prayer present.

The fact that there seems to be so few cases known to us of Christian schizophrenics being set free is no grounds to limit our faith. It's no argument or reason to withhold regular prayer which targets the release of the captives.

It is a sad commentary that secular groups, charities, and institutions have summoned up more help for the mentally afflicted, such as sufferers with schizophrenia, than the Christian church who alone should demonstrate having the complete answer of freedom and restoration.

Let's think how much you would be helped in becoming free from the bondage if ... 1. Faith and prayer existed in more Christians to bring you into freedom and 2. If they got alongside you with a volume of prayer storming heaven to see God intervene.

We need to mention that in order for prayer-warriors to arise there has to be an awareness through the revelation of the Holy Spirit what the bondage of schizophrenia consists of. It is of a spiritual nature requiring alone a spiritual answer of deliverance and healing from Jesus Christ.

Permanent freedom will never come from the various forms of drug therapy, which provide a temporary relief, or total reliance on the psychiatric world. Jesus, the Master Healer, needs to be brought on the scene and effect a powerful deliverance and healing. He alone has the remedy.

ENLIST AS MUCH PRAYER SUPPORT AS YOU CAN IN YOUR DESIRE TO BE FREE OF SCHIZOPHRENIA. Try to communicate with as many Christian friends and seek their prayers for you. You need the support of their prayers to endure, but also to have your mind influenced by the Spirit of truth. The light that comes from God's Word needs to be shining into your heart and affecting your mind as you pursue freedom in Jesus. My testimony is that at the time Tina contacted a group of close friends and relatives to pray for me, things began to move on my pathway to freedom. I was quickened to pray more myself, and divine impressions as a result of their praying began to flood into my mind. A strong desire to want to be free gripped my life. I began to take control over my life and took authority over spiritually dark forces contending for the ownership of my life.

<u>IMAGINE HOW GOD CAN MAKE YOU STRONG THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF OTHERS.</u> Our Scripture reading this week is a powerful one to contemplate. Here we see the Apostle Peter miraculously freed from a prison because the church prayed for him. The church that knocked at heaven's door for the release of Peter were interrupted by Peter knocking on the door of the home where they were meeting to be told their prayers had been answered. Who knows how God will answer the prayers of those friends who plead with heaven for you? Receiving the impact of the prayers of others is powerful enough to prepare you to obtain your own deliverance in the Name of Jesus. This is still the day of miracles in which God is showing His amazing power. All things are possible to him that can in Jesu's name believe, even to the point of defeating schizophrenia!!

<u>YOU NEED THE PRAYERS OF CHRISTIANS TO BE ABLE TO BREAK THROUGH THE</u> <u>BARS OF IRON AND GATES OF BRASS.</u> You may feel ready to do exploits yourself against the demonic powers of darkness in the Name of Jesus in commanding their presence leave your life. Asserting that Jesus Christ owns your life and the devil has no legal right to be there is powerful in bringing freedom. When making this declaration, don't forget to bind and loose any dark presence in the Name of Jesus. Keep understanding how much you need the prayers of other Christians who want to see the power of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit growing continually in your life. Expect their prayers to quicken your faith and increase your determination to seek victory over schizophrenia once and for all. <u>Make every day a day of</u> <u>progress in bringing to reality the glorious freedom purchased by Jesus on the Cross for</u> <u>YOU!</u>

FINAL WORD - Take hold of faith in Jesus today and believe that you have freedom in His finished work on the Cross. The power which raised Jesus from the dead can quicken you mightily, and lead you on to glorious freedom as you drive out the intruders of evil from your life.

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 Gratefully. I give my life back to you as I now ask you to come into my life. aift of eternal 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.

## **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

#### 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.]

#### <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 . . .

#### 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.

#### <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.

#### FOR FURTHER READING: See Archive Files

2020 11 October – Meeting God Early Will Keep Advancing Your Fight To Become Free

2019 4 August – Persevere In Faith And Prayer When The Load Of Schizophrenia Wearies You

2018 27 May - "I Greatly Admire Schizophrenics Pushing Through To Full Freedom"

### WEEKLY ENCOURAGER 12 SEPTEMBER

### PRAISING GOD IS A MIGHTY WEAPON IN DRIVING OUT SCHIZOPHRENIA

#### THIS WEEK'S SELECTED BIBLE READING IS ACTS CHAPTER 16: Key Verses 22-34:

Paul and Silas in Prison: The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. Upon receiving such orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose. The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - you and your household." Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptised. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God – he and his whole family.

When schizophrenia strikes it normally heralds the start of the disintegration of personality coupled with an imprisoned life-style. The good news is that Jesus can rescue from both.

He is the only HOPE of a way out of a powerful mental bondage which suddenly throws all and sundry into a survival mode of living. It is entirely baffling to know just what to do or where to turn.

As a believer in Jesus Christ when the spiritually dark thunderbolt arrived, the only safe refuge to hide in was Jesus Himself. He drew near. Having a mind clouded and overcome by such a heavy bondage threw me entirely on His help.

Can I tell you of the faithfulness of God in both keeping and strengthening me through the demonic maze of schizophrenia – finally to grant His power to set me free? I hope telling my story will inspire and enlarge your faith and eventually lead you to complete freedom!

My testimony is all about JESUS. Without His grace and power I would never have survived 26 years of mental hell. To JESUS belongs ALL the glory, ALL the honour, ALL the power and ALL the praise. He is worthy to receive unceasing worship and adoration.

I came through not by might nor by power but by God's Spirit (see Zechariah 4:6). When I often reached the end of my stores of human endurance, "my Father's full giving had only begun." The truth and comfort I can pass on to you today is that Jesus is the Great Liberator of schizophrenia. Real freedom with the prison doors blasted wide open is found only in Him. What He has done for me, He can do for you. I am so grateful to God that He allowed me to pass through deep troubled waters in order to be a source of comfort and inspiration to others. I would never have known the reality of this precious verse written by the apostle Paul and found in 2 Corinthians, Chapter 1 had I not experienced living with "schizophrenia on the inside" and being set free by Jesus:

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God."

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.



#### 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.
- 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.
- 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.

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 11:6

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, unless you can eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him." John 6: 53-56

If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction. I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have preserved my life. Psalm 119: 92-93

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