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Weekly Encourager - 23 June 2019

SCRIPTURAL ADVICE, HELP AND INSIGHT ON HOW TO TRUST THE LORD JESUS CHRIST TO DEFEAT SCHIZOPHRENIA FROM JAMES STACEY NOW STARTING HIS 30TH YEAR OF FREEDOM FROM THE DEMONIC BONDAGE AND OVER 31 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."



Fasting can intensify your power to prevail in prayer. 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? Every hope! - though it may be a long time in coming before reaching the place of desperation in God in your daily fight to become free through allowing the Holy Spirit to teach you about prayer and praying through you.

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.

I came to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour at the age of 14 and entered God's School of Prayer then. By the age of 24 when schizophrenia dawned, I was used to praying, and stirred about what God could do through prayer at the time of attending Bible College. My whole survival rested on Jesus alone and what He had taught me in the realm of maintaining my spiritual life – even though assailed by mental demonic foes. I had already had opportunity to “learn Christ” and this stood me in good stead.

But for you it may be different. 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!

FOR FURTHER READING - See Archive File

2018 20 May - Assert The Ownership Of Jesus Christ To Every Demonic Voice

2017 12 November - Fixing Your Eyes On The Lord Jesus Christ - Instead Of Schizophrenia - Results In Total Freedom Over The Bondage

2016 12 June - How To Survive When Schizophrenia Threatens To Steal Your Mind

WEEKLY ENCOURAGER 30 JUNE 2019:

"LORD JESUS CHRIST - LOOK TO YOUR FAITHFULNESS AND SET ME FREE!"

Whenever true spiritual understanding is revealed by the Holy Spirit that our loving Heavenly Father wants to make known His Word through Jesus Christ in us, heaven's treasure drops into our lives!

Take, for example, the following statement by Jesus and consider what power receiving it has to impact our lives: *“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love.”* (John 15:9-10)

Such words are so marvellous and beyond our human comprehension – but sufficient enough to convey to us the worth that God Himself places on our lives and the measure of His love for us.

Again, allow your heart to be drawn out in worship to God as you read: *“I will never forget you. I have carved you upon the palms of my hands.”* Isaiah 49:15-16

These words convey how much God in Jesus was willing to go through when He died for us on the cross at Calvary and in so doing manifested the full heart of His love for us. What He has accomplished loses us “in wonder, love and praise” as we contemplate being loved with “an everlasting love.”

When you are touched by the great ocean of God’s love flowing into your heart, it is a total transformation affecting your whole life.

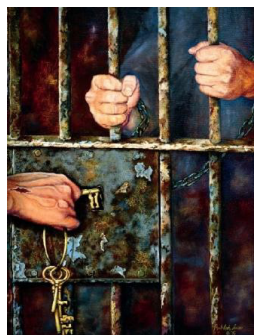
A PRAYER OF HOPE FOR THOSE SUFFERING WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA: *“Lord God Almighty, will you hear my prayer and make the sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ real to me. Wipe away my sins that were atoned for on the Cross of Calvary by Jesus in order that I might not have to die eternally. I believe that Jesus 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.*

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"

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.

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) "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

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

