Pre-Deliverance Letter

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Dear John:

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Before we meet for prayer for deliverance ministry we would like to inform or remind you what deliverance is all about. Deliverance is not like you see on TV or at the movies. Deliverance is for believers, people who have decided to follow Christ. According to scripture in Acts 10:38, Jesus went about doing good healing all who were oppressed of the devil. That's what deliverance is all about, releasing a person from the oppression of demonic forces. Deliverance is not counseling and we do not offer counseling services.

People often have misconceptions about evil spirits in that they only inhabit evil people. Inhabiting is not the same as possession. When it comes to believers, we are not possessed by evil spirits. Possession means ownership. We are owned by the God, purchased by the blood of Jesus Christ, and adopted into God's royal family. Also, we are tri-part beings, body, soul, and spirit. God's Spirit resides in the believer's spirit but our soul and emotions are capable of being afflicted or oppressed. These are the areas demonic spirits try to oppress and hinder.

If a demons are present in a believer's life, they are present because of some legal right. Sin is something that is a very serious thing to God and has lasting consequences possibly from generations to generations. The sins of our ancestors could be avenues of demonic oppression. For anyone to believe that it could not happen to them demonstrates the power of demonic deception.

Access or doorways that give rights to demonic spirits can range from ancestral sins, traumatic experiences, participating in activity with a Ouija Board and many other things. Once a demonic spirit has access to oppress, they enter and consider that person their home. They then start to build an empire or kingdom with other demonic spirits with intentions of bringing destruction and hindrance. According to scripture, Jesus attributes the works of Satan as to "steal, kill and destroy."

In the deliverance process, we will determine what doorways or entryways were granted to evil spirits. What consent or permission they have to BE there. Now the only way they could stay is if they have permission to STAY there. Consent to stay could be, for an example, unforgiveness in one's life. God gives demons permission to torment according to Matthew 18:23-35. Demons do not have to leave when unforgiveness is present. Another example is when an individual is unwilling to surrender a sin in their life. This blocks deliverance because the demon has a right to stay.

We can not be successful in ministering deliverance to people against their will. A person's **desire** to be free plays a big role in successful deliverance. That's one of the reasons we have an individual complete the application and checklist.

Demon spirits are hierarchy oriented and very organized. Their highly structured order can appear as a kingdom in which there is a prince or strongman that rules with lower ranking demons beneath them. They could be numerous in number with different functions and areas of the body or soul in where they dwell.

It is helpful for you to know that some demons are assigned various duties or functions. In the deliverance process, we will confront and address these demonic spirits in order to get you free by way of the power and authority of Jesus Christ. This process may take up to 1 to several hours. The more prepared you are, the easier the process. Most cases are completed in 2 hours. You will be able to take breaks and use the restroom and ask questions.

The setting is casual. Casual clothing is suggested.

All demons are liars, rebellious and resistant but will submit to the truth of the Word of God and Powerful name of Jesus Christ. They know they are defeated and know that they have a short time before they suffer endless torment. Their master, Satan, has lost his position and authority in heaven and has fallen. According to scripture, Jesus said, I beheld Satan fall like lightning. Behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents, scorpion and over all power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:18,19)

It is not uncommon for the person seeking deliverance to experience manifestations of the evil ones prior to the session. The demons may become extremely nervous because they know their time is short. They will attempt to frighten through nightmares or manifesting as an evil presence... they may confuse or disorient the individual... make threats through very negative and frightful thoughts. They may attack the individuals mind to make them think they must be crazy if they really think that demons are the problem. They may inject very negative thoughts about the deliverance minister and that he doesn't know what he is doing, that this will not work, etc. All of these things are common. It is an attempt to keep you from freedom.

Jesus said, refers to the Holy Spirit flowing from your belly rivers of living water. It seems that the belly or mid-section is also the seat where demons like to reside as well. Therefore it is very common for them to stir in this area causing a feeling of nausea. Headaches are common prior and during the deliverance session. Demons also reside in the nervous system causing numbness, tingling and dizziness when they are aroused. Don't be alarmed, they will not hurt you. Just be aware that this is common.

When demons are expelled, commanded to leave, they will likely come out of one's breath. Sometimes with a deep sigh, cough, yawn, burp and occasionally some gagging, but they will release you and will be obedient to the command of the Lord Jesus and given in the name of the Lord Jesus.

When they leave, they will be commanded to go into the abyss, never to return. They will be commanded to not harm you, nor can they go into someone else. They may threaten that they will go into your kids or other family members. Do not be alarmed by their threats, they will do as they are commanded... period! You will know when you are free.

It is common for the individual to hear the demon's response in their mind and report to us what they hear. Sometimes they may "see" images in their mind when the demons are commanded to be subject unto the Lord Jesus Christ. In one instance in the Bible, Jesus addressed the demons in the man from Gaddera asking, "What is your name?" The demons in the man responded, "Legion, for we are many." (Mark chapter 5). We will do the same and command the prince demon to identify itself and almost immediately, the individual will hear a response in their mind. We will ask them to report what they hear or see.

Often the names will be unusual, sometimes the names may surprise the individual. Often the demons will respond by their function such as FEAR, DOUBT, HATRED, etc. However he has a name in the demonic kingdom. Once his name is identified, there is just one question, "Do you have consent from Jehovah God to stay?" If the spirit does not have consent to stay, it is over at that point. He will be commanded to go into the abyss and never return. And he will!

There can be a number of demons present but the number present is not an issue. One thousand will bow as quickly as one at the name of Jesus.

The purpose of the questionnaire is find the permissions the demons have and cancel each permission.

1. We will pray together and cancel each permission.

- 2. We will locate each Prince, boss, etc. and destroy his kingdom.
- 3. We will command all demons to repair all of the damage they have caused and then go into the abvss.
- 4. We will ask the Holy Spirit to fill every void that was in your life with His light and life.

It sounds simple because it is. Jesus did all of the work for us. He paid the price. We just enforce it and claim the work Jesus did on Calvary. He came to destroy the works of the devil.

Deliverance is not a "cure all" nor is it a "quick cure." It still requires that person to live in obedience to the Lord Jesus. It requires that person to not repeat the sinful activity that led to oppression. Genuine freedom will come but it is the person's responsibility to walk in the liberty that Christ provides. Enclosed are some prayers for you to pray prior to coming for the session. We look forward to seeing you.

In His service,

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