*"The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us."*
C.S. Lewis

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## CONCLUSION

Thanks to all who have walked through this study with me. My main goal was to establish in your hearts that deliverance ministry is an important ministry in the Body of Christ. Through it and other ministries that Lord has given to us, we can walk in FREEDOM. I passionately want to see those in the Body free. My purpose was not to make deliverance ministers of all of you. I believe the Lord calls deliverance ministers just as He calls music ministers of missionaries or prophets or any other office in the Body of Christ. We may not all be deliverance ministers, but it is important that we know the tactics of our enemy and know that we have power over all the authority of the kingdom of darkness. I believe that ALL of us are called to do battle against this kingdom and that ALL of us are called to pray for the opposing coming Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ on the earth as it is in heaven. Generally when I teach this course I have three different reactions: Some become fearful. Some begin to think they are full of demons and they begin to see a demon under every bush. And finally some think all of this talk about demons is "Hollywood" and not real. All three reactions are wrong. We do not need to fear demons for we have power and authority over them (LUKE 10:19: ***"Behold, I give you the authority to***

***trample on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."*** Not every problem you have or every struggle you face is demonic. We have a flesh nature and many of our struggles are a flesh problem rather than a demonic problem, although if you do not crucify the flesh and continue to habitually sin, it can become a demonic problem. The Apostle John tells us that *"For all that is in the world-the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life is not of the Father but is of the world"* (1st John 2:16). Anyone who does not believe in satan, demons, and a literal hell obviously does not know the Bible. In fact, Jesus Himself said that among the signs of a believer would be casting out demons: Mark 16:17-18: ***"And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."***

A few concluding questions and answers from *Pigs in the Parlor* by Frank and Ida Mae Hammond:

1. **Can a non-Christian be delivered?** *Yes, since demons must obey those who exercise authority of the name of Jesus. However, delivering a non-believer would be foolish since the latter state of someone who has been set free and has not filled "their house" with the Holy Spirit is 7 times worse* (Matthew 12:43-45: ***"When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes***

***through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there, and the last state of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation."***)

2. **What happens to demons that are cast out?** *Matthew 12:43 says they walk through dry places, seeking rest, and find none.*
3. **Can we tell demons where to go?** *Demons prefer to indwell humans. Their second choice is an animal. The scripture does not authorize us to send demons to their final judgment, although it seems that we can send them to other countries* (Mark 5:1-13: *Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes. And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains, because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him. And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me."*

*For he said to him,* ***"Come out of the man, unclean spirit!"*** *Then He asked him,* ***"What is your name?"*** *And he answered Him earnestly that he would not send them out of the country. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea and drowned in the sea.*).

4. **Can we forbid demons to re-enter a person?** *Mark 9:25*(*When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it:* ***"Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more."***) *says that Jesus did this once. There is no indication in scripture that we have that authority.*
5. **Should houses be cleansed of evil spirits?** *Yes, most definitely. Demons can have an open door through objects, books, sinful activities of former or present residents, etc.* (Deuteronomy 7:25-26: *You shall burn the carved images of their gods with fire; you shall not covet the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it for yourselves, lest you be snared by it; for it is an abomination to the LORD your God. Nor shall you bring an abomination into your house, lest you be doomed to destruction like it. You shall utterly detest it and utterly abhor it, for it is an accursed thing.*)
6. **Is it necessary to call demons out by specific names?** *Sometimes demons will not come out without*

*being called by their specific name. This most likely is a delaying tactic.*

7. **What about owls and frogs?** *These are classified among the creatures mentioned in Deuteronomy 14:7-19 as being unclean and abominable. They are types of demon spirits. My ministry has taken me into many homes, and I have become aware of how many of these unclean creatures are being made into art objects and used for decorations. This is especially true of owls and frogs. It is more than coincidence that both of these are creatures of darkness. They come out at night and hunt their prey. Demons are also creatures of darkness. They cannot operate in light.*

Victory! Victory!
Over all the powers of darkness,
Victory!
When the battle's in array,
Angels help us in the fray,
And God fights for those who pray,
Victory!