

Our Authority over Sin and Evil



Key Scriptures and Concepts:

- **Romans 6 and 7:** In water baptism, we died to sin and evil. Don't allow sin or evil to reign over you.
- **Romans 12:2:** We are changed as we change the way we think.
- **1 John 1:5-10:** When we confess our sins, we receive forgiveness and cleansing from that sin.
- **James 4:7, 1 Peter 5:8:** Resist the devil and don't be afraid of him. He and all his underlings (demons, dark angels) were defeated at the cross. He has no power over us unless we or others give him an open door. There is no new battle to fight; only possess what has been gained at the cross.
- **Psalms 23:5, Malachi 1:** We sit at His table in the presence of our enemies. His table is more than enough. We eat His flesh and drink His Blood, food provided by our Father.
- **Luke 10:17-19:** We have authority over evil spirits and the power of the enemy.
- **Ephesians 6:11:** The battle is with the "devil's schemes" or trickery. See the battle for what it really is.
- **Isaiah 28:** The Cornerstone, who is Jesus Christ, trumps past covenants and agreements with evil.

Three dimensions of evil:

Much oppression can be categorized under three heresies and overarching lies. It can sometimes help to identify which category you are facing in order to focus on the root lie a person has agreed to that is responsible for the bondage:

- The Egyptian heresy. Things are upside down, inside out or backward. The fundamental lie is "I am not enough." That's shame by definition.
 - The Queen of Heaven is directly opposed to the Bride of Christ and challenges God the Father that He withheld Himself when He created us in His image. Her four lies are:
 1. I am not enough or I am wrong
 2. What I do is wrong. It's always my fault.
 3. Because I am wrong and do wrong, God will abandon me.
 4. All this considered, I just need to settle here and stop trying.
 - The antiChrist spirit says Jesus is not enough. (This spirit works with Christian leaders to keep their followers from following Holy Spirit without their blessing.)

- The Babylonian heresy. Whoever is in charge is right. If I'm wrong or less than, I need to leave the group or not take leadership roles. Just stay in "submission."
- The Edomite heresy. Family attacks family, polarization, stop communication. Cancel culture.
- The progression of abuse works something like this: I'm wrong. The one in charge is right. I attack or stop communicating.

Facing the enemy:

- Critters are not hard of hearing. We don't have to shout.
- Critters that manifest can be calmly commanded to be quiet and not disturb the person we are ministering to.
- The person sometimes has more authority than does the prayer minister. If the person is able, ask them to cast out the critter and we only observe and cheer them on, helping as necessary. Sometimes the prayer minister has earned authority in a particular area and should be the one to cast out a critter.
- If deliverance does not happen with Grace and Joy, pause, step back, and ask what is missing or in the way. Does the spirit see a wall, tower, or other structure or device? These might be lies the soul or spirit is believing that prevents deliverance.
- We can always pause and come back to the issue later after the person has had a season of healing or we can seek wisdom from Holy Spirit in prayer.
- After deliverance, ask for God to fill the person with His presence. We don't want to leave a house swept clean without filling it with Good.