

What Does the Bible Say About Demons?

Part—2

The Magnitude of the Spiritual Realm (2 Kings 6:15-17; cf. Gen. 18:1-3; 19:1, 2; Judges 6:11-24; 13:6-20; Matt. 25:40, 44; Heb. 13:2)

- I. **What is Demonic Oppression?** (Luke 22:31; cf. 2 Cor. 1:22; 5:5; 1 Cor. 6:19)
 - a. Even though Believers can't be possessed they can still be affected by Demons Internally and Externally (cf. 1 Peter 5:8; Luke 4:2; Acts 5:1-11; 1 Cor. 5:1-5; Eph. 6:11; 2 Cor. 12:7)
 - b. **Demonic** _____ (2 Tim. 1:7; cf. 1 Sam. 16:14-16, 23; 18:10; 19:9)
 - c. **Demonic** _____ (cf. Eph. 5:25-33; 2 Cor. 2:10-11; 1 Thess. 4:1-8; 1 Tim. 4:1-5)
- II. **What Makes Us Vulnerable to Demons?**
 - a. **Rejecting God's** _____ (cf. Matt. 12:45ff)
 - b. _____ **Sin** (Eph. 4: 26-27; cf. John 12:6; Rom. 8:31-39; 2 Cor. 10:4-5)
 - c. **Supernatural** _____
 - i. God forbids the Occult (Deut. 18:10-12ff; cf. Isa. 8:19-20; Gal. 5:20; Rev. 21:8)
 - ii. There is no such thing as Ghosts; only Demons (cf. Heb. 9:27; 2 Cor. 5:6-8; Phil. 1:21-23; Matt. 25:46; Luke 16:23-24; Acts 19:17-19)
 - d. **Practicing False** _____ (1 Cor. 10:20; cf. Lev. 17:7; Deut. 32:16-17; Ps. 106:37)
 - e. **Demonic** _____ (cf. Eph. 6:12; 2 Cor. 11:14-15; cf. John 8:44; 2 Thessalonians 2:9)

III. How Are We Told to Fight Demons?

- a. We are NOT commissioned to Cast Out Demons (cf. Matt. 10:5-9; Luke 10:1-22)
 - i. This is Narrative, not Instruction
- b. **Unbelievers:** Share the Gospel (2 Tim. 2:23-26; cf. Matt. 18:15-20; Eph. 4:30)
 - i. Jesus' name is not some kind of magical incantation (cf. Acts 19:13-16; Jude 1:9)
- c. **Believers** (cf. 2 Tim. 2:19-22; 1 Peter 5:8-9; James 4:7-8; Eph. 6:10-17):
 - i. ***abstain from wickedness***
 - ii. ***cleanse*** yourself from dishonoring thoughts and behavior
 - iii. ***flee from youthful lusts***
 - iv. ***pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace***
 - v. ***Be of sober spirit***
 - vi. ***be on the alert***
 - vii. ***resist him, firm in your faith***
 - viii. ***Submit therefore to God***
 - ix. ***Resist the devil and he will flee from you***
 - x. ***Draw near to God and He will draw near to you***
 - xi. ***Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded***
 - xii. ***be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might***
 - xiii. ***Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil***
 1. ***truth*** (cf. Ex. 12:11; Luke 12:35; 2 Tim. 2:4; Heb. 12:1; 1 Peter 1:13)
 2. ***the breastplate of righteousness*** (cf. Isa. 59:17; 2 Cor. 7:1; 1 Thess. 5:8)
 3. ***the gospel of peace*** (cf. Rom. 5:6-10; 8:31-39)
 4. ***the shield of faith*** (cf. Ps. 18:30; Prov. 30:5-6; 1 John 5:4)
 5. ***the helmet of salvation*** (cf. John 6:37-39; 10:28, 29; Rom. 5:10; 8:31-39; Phil. 1:6; 1 Peter 1:3-10)
 6. ***the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God*** (cf. Matt. 4:1-11; 2 Cor. 10:3-5; Heb. 4:12)