

## Day 9

- Yesterday, I gave a simple explanation on the difference between sin and iniquity. Today, I want to talk a bit more about how iniquity holds us down from experiencing full freedom in Jesus Christ.
- Being in perfect relationship with God, meaning our life is free of sin and iniquity; we have been fully delivered from all bondages, and we are walking in step with God Holy Spirit...is like having this amazing layer of protection wherever we go and in whatever we do. Nothing of the enemy's world can touch us.
  - In that place, we are choosing to live in amazing fellowship with the entire Godhead, Father, Son, Holy Spirit. In that place, it is REALLY hard for the enemy to trick us and pull our eyes off of Jesus. Because, why would we EVER leave that place?
  - His only option is to get to us before we get to that safe place —
    - There are only a few ways the enemy can get us to take our eyes off of Jesus and turn to him...1. We would have to CHOOSE to turn our eyes away — possibly through Satan reminding us of old, farrowed lines of iniquity we once had or still do. Or 2. He will use people in our lives to draw us away from being focused on Jesus.
- Now, let me clarify something here — being fully focused on Jesus does not mean we do not have good, healthy relationships with the people in our lives, saved or unsaved; they will actually be richer and more real. Having said that, there will be relationships that will probably fade away as we grow closer to Jesus because not all people are going to want to be near Him...sadly.
- Let's breakdown that #1 on choosing to turn our eyes off of Jesus because of old, farrowed lines of iniquity. What does that mean, Heidi? I am glad you asked.
  - Last year, while sitting at our kitchen table, Father God showed me the moment Satan had deposited fear inside of me...that actually sounds way too polite, and although I am not going to go into how it happened here today, it was actually a very violent moment in my life.
  - This violent invasion of fear entered my life at the age of 8. 39 years later, I was fully delivered from it.
  - Now, in those 39 years, I had great strides in conquering the fear, and even large moments where I experienced God's peace. The reason I had those times of good was because in those times, I was keeping my eyes on Jesus and growing in relationship with Him.
  - The problem was I didn't know this stronghold of fear had been firmly planted in my life. I mean, I remember it happening, and I certainly saw the evil fruit of it, but I didn't know that I had the authority to get rid of it. I didn't know that everything God was teaching me was actually veiled in fear...how? Because I was looking through fear all the time. And because of it, what I was hearing from God and seeing in God was actually skewed by Satan. Oh, there is so much to share...we will take it step by step.
  - Fear had created a deep farrow in the soil of my life — DEEP — You may be saying, "But Heidi, you had 2 Timothy 1:7, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." And yes, you would be right.
  - And I quoted that a lot...usually in my head. Remember what I said before? Satan can't read our thoughts, even though he often lies to us and says he can. When I would say that scripture out loud, it had power to silence the enemy...or at least quiet him.

- Authority needs to be behind those scriptures to give them full maximum power. I didn't know anything about authority most of my saved life. Yes, I knew what scripture said, but my eyes were so veiled by iniquity in my life — strongholds — that I couldn't fully grasp the power in scripture. I believed it, but I could see that there was a crevasse between me and those power words, and I couldn't seem to find the bridge to cross over.
  - So, Father God, called me to Him closely and showed me how fear had entered my life and how it had been controlling a lot of my life from a well hidden place. He literally opened my eyes to see. When I saw it, truly saw it, WOW — then God and I could deal with it. I was fully delivered from fear that day. It is marked down in my journal as the “Greatest Day of My Life,” but then other “Greatest” days came after and rose above it. But in that freedom, I actually discovered the real revelation of the the two scriptures, “if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” John 8:36. And “But we all, with unveiled faces, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.” 2 Corinthians 3:18.
  - It was as if, in an instant, I could see the deep, deep farrow of fear that had been in my life, and how it had controlled me in some form for 39 years. All because, I came into AGREEMENT with it. Now, at 8 years old, although I had read 2 Timothy 1:7, I was not equipped to battle such a violent assault from the enemy — Now, looking back, I have to ask the question — What did he see in me that he was so afraid of me, that he attacked me violently to try and cripple me?
  - As you begin to look in your own life with the help of Holy Spirit and begin to see places of iniquity, ask yourself that question — What is Satan afraid of? The answer — YOU! He is petrified we will learn his tactics — have our eyes opened to the Truths of scripture completely, and we will know exactly how to use the power and authority we actually have to defeat him through “living according to the Spirit.” (Romans 8:5). Satan is always afraid of us! Always!
  - Again, “My people are destroyed from lack of knowledge.” Hosea 4:6.
- The above example is why Galatians 5:1 is in the Bible, “Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.”
    - We can be fully saved through the blood of Jesus Christ and still be in bondage to iniquity — strongholds.
    - We have to have our spiritual eyes fully opened to see the truth and be set free completely.
    - You may be thinking the question, “If this is true, then how come churches aren't dealing with this issue in people's lives?”
    - Ohhhh, SUCH a great question!! Because, if we are not full of Holy Spirit and able to live according to the Spirit (Romans 8:5), how in the world are we ever going to see the real needs of the people and set them free?!
    - Prophets are often seers — meaning, through Holy Spirit, they can actually see sin, iniquity, and other needs of deliverance in people's lives. We must have the full Godhead functioning in every church building and every Christian life.
    - I can guarantee that when people see Christians truly set free, no longer needing 2/3rds of all pharmaceuticals, THEY WILL RUN TO US TO HAVE WHAT WE HAVE!!
  - They will SEE the truth of the scripture, “if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” John 8:36.
  - Tomorrow, we will talk more on this subject. As we mine out the truth together, our eyes will become fully opened, and we will snatch away any form of victory out of the jaws of Satan!
  - Be blessed and encouraged as we walk together and learn how to “live according to the Spirit.” (Romans 8:5).