

CHAPTER 19

Straight Talk To Those Who Want To Come Out Of The Occult

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I want to speak directly to those reading this book who are involved in the occult (i.e. Satanism) and want to leave. What I have to say to you will seem harsh, but it is the honest truth based on God's word. There is no easy way out. Jesus is not an easy escape route. Jesus has all power and authority over Satan and his demons and that power can be available to you, but you chose to serve Satan, and Satan does not give up his servants easily. This is just a plain fact. You will have to fight to be free. Your only hope is to fight with the power and authority of Jesus Christ. But the battle is real. Leaving occult involvements is an all-or-nothing thing. You cannot partially or gradually leave Satanism. You must make up your mind to totally leave it once and for all. If you try to go back you will probably be killed and you will never have another chance to leave. This is serious business.

"For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, if they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to

themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame."

Hebrews 6:4-6

Once you have tasted of the power and goodness of Jesus Christ and His salvation, if you turn back to the occult you will never be able to repent again, and you will spend an eternity in the most agonizing torment in Hell.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

John 14:6

There is only one way to come to God the Father and be set free from Satan's kingdom, that is by Jesus Christ. If you want to break free from bondage to Satan you can do it only by making Jesus your Lord and Savior and total Master. You cannot serve Jesus and Satan at the same time, and if you are not totally serving Jesus, then you ARE serving Satan. All you need to do is speak out and ask Jesus to forgive you, wash away all your sins with His precious blood shed on the cross, and ask Him to take complete control of your life. The demons in you and around you will do anything to keep you from doing this, but they cannot stop you.

"Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. [evil]"

II Timothy 2:19b

You must make a complete and total break with all evil. I am well aware that this will be a most difficult thing to do, as nearly everything you have has been given to you by Satan. You must give up all your powers of witchcraft—this especially includes your ability to communicate with the spirit world. You must ask the Lord to take away all of your powers, and take them away so completely that even should you rebel and try to get them back you could not. You must ask the Lord to sever between your soul and spirit so that you completely and forever lose your ability to communicate with Satan and his demons, or use your own spirit body. You cannot use your witchcraft, even to protect yourself.

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and

sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do."

Hebrews 4:12-13

You cannot hide anything from God! You must make a total break with everything evil. If you are living with others still involved in Satanism such as in a commune, you must get out, no matter what the cost. You must understand that you cannot continue to even associate with friends or relatives who persist in serving Satan. You will come under heavy influence and attack especially by family members remaining in Satanism.

"But when they persecute you in this city, slee ye into another..."

Matthew 10:23

Once you have asked Jesus Christ to forgive you and cleanse you and to become your Lord and Master, you will have His power and authority over the demons within you and around you.

Don't try to fool yourself. Just because you have asked Jesus to save you the demons didn't politely say "good by" and hop out of you. You asked them in by serving Satan, now the Lord expects YOU to take up the power and authority available to you in the name of Jesus and kick them out. You must understand that the demons inside you are committed to killing you even if the satanists don't get to you physically.

Don't let the demons control you. You must now control them. Rebuke them out loud in the name of Jesus and command them to come out of you and leave you in the name of Jesus.

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils ..." Mark 16:17

"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents

and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy . . . "

Luke 10:19

You need help. Pray and ask the Lord to lead you to Christian brothers and sisters who are able and willing to help you, but be careful. Satan has many servants in the Christian churches and there are many Christians who are not fully committed to the Lord. Seek the Lord's confirmation and guidance before you trust anyone. You will most likely need help to be able to obtain complete deliverance from the demons within you. Complete deliverance IS possible — don't let anyone tell you otherwise. Seek complete deliverance as quickly as possible. As you seek the Lord earnestly, He will hear you and will help you.

You must read and study and learn God's word. Obedience to God is an absolute necessity.

[Jesus said] "If ye love me, keep my commandments."

John 14:15

[Jesus speaking] "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love." John 15:10

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

Matthew 7:21

Your best protection against Satan's attacks is instant obedience to God's commands — not only those commands found in the Bible, but also those given to you by the Holy Spirit directly. You must understand that you are basically a rebellious person or you wouldn't have been involved in the occult in the first place. Satanism attracts people because they want power to control their own lives and the lives of others. The issue of the mastership of Jesus will be an area in your life where Satan will attack hard. He will put all sorts of questions into your mind such as "Why should I always have to do everything the Lord's way? It's my life after with a terrible price — the sufferings of Jesus on the cross.

You belong to the Lord now. The scriptures are very clear on this matter:

"For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry." I Samuel 15:23

You must study and memorize God's word. This is your safeguard. God himself will give you the understanding of the scriptures. Don't accept anything anyone else tells you without checking it out with the scriptures and asking the Lord about it.

You will probably experience a total change in your life circumstances — especially financially. Don't forget, everything you have you received from Satan, it all belongs to him and he has the legal right to take it away from you. God is absolutely just with Satan as well as with us. But take courage, the riches the Lord will give you will be worth far more than anything Satan could possibly give to you.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Matthew 6:19-21

The truest treasure you can ever have is a personal knowledge of God. Ask Him to reveal Himself to you.

Jesus asked Peter, and asks each one of us today this pointed question:

"...lovest thou me more than these?" John 21:15b

The mastership of Jesus is absolute:

"He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me."

Matthew 10:37-38

You will be directly challenged by Satan on this issue. Are you willing to put the Lord Jesus Christ before everything and everyone else? If Jesus does not come before your

loved ones, then your hopes of escaping Satan are empty. Satan will use your loved ones to keep you in bondage. Let me give you an example of what I mean.

We had the privilege of working with a beautiful negro couple whom we will call "the Blacks." They were both in their late 20s, were very intelligent, and had reached a fairly high position within The Brotherhood locally. They committed their lives to Jesus and refused to serve Satan any longer. We advised them to move out of state, but they were understandably hesitant to do so as Mr. Black had a very good paying job. They had two children, a girl four years old, and a boy two years old. They experienced a terrible test of their commitment to Jesus.

About 6 months after they came out of Satanism, Mr. & Mrs. Black and their 4-year-old daughter were kidnapped by The Brotherhood. They were taken to a meeting where their little girl was literally skinned alive before their horrified eyes. They were told repeatedly that the torture of their daughter would be stopped only if they both renounced Jesus Christ and proclaimed Satan as Lord and agreed to serve Satan again.

Despite the unspeakable anguish they experienced as they were forced to watch their beloved child being tortured and hear her screams of agony, they held firm. They had put Jesus first in their lives and would not deny His Lordship. Finally their little girl died and they were released by their captors. A week later, their son became violently ill. He was hospitalized and seen by the leading specialists in the area—all to no avail. He died within 48 hours, the doctors never did find out what was wrong with him. He was obviously killed by witchcraft. Again, Mr. & Mrs. Black stood firm and continued to serve Jesus.

Shortly after the double tragedy they moved out of the state. We stayed in touch with them occasionally. Two years later, Mrs. Black gave birth to twins, a boy and a girl. Mr.

Black was studying to become a minister.

You may be saying, "How can this be, why didn't the Lord protect their children once they became Christians?" This is not a game! When you make that complete commitment to Jesus Christ you give everything to Him. You may be sure Satan is going to petition the Lord for everything you committed to the Lord just as he did in Job's case. Father may give Satan permission to take what he petitions for.

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Isaiah 55:8-9

GOD IS GOD. We cannot begin to understand His thoughts or the reasons why He does what He does. Terrible as it was, the sacrifice the Blacks made to serve Jesus pales to nothing when compared with what Jesus sacrificed and suffered for us on the cross. Jesus tells us plainly:

"Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

Revelation 2:10

"And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." Matthew 10:28

Let me make one thing very clear. This battle is very real and deadly. I am well aware that many will strongly disagree with me and flatly refuse to accept what I am going to say. But, I, on my part, must speak as my Master, Jesus has commanded me, regardless of opposition.

Any Christian entering true spiritual warfare and any Christian serving Jesus Christ who was once a servant of Satan, must expect persecution, suffering, and battle wounds. And, you will probably not receive immediate relief or healing for any of these.

"Yea and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution."

II Timothy 3:12

Just how much are you willing to suffer for the Lord? (I am speaking of suffering physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually and financially.) What price do you put on a soul? What price are you willing to pay to bring about the salvation of a soul, or to refuse to serve Satan and honor the Lord Jesus Christ who set you free from bondage to Satan? Jesus was willing to pay a very big price — unbelieveable suffering and death!

"Who, [Jesus] being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Philippians 2:6-11

But, people will say, "In Christ we have victory, not defeat." That is true. Indeed the purpose of this whole book and our lives is to declare that victory. But that victory is not always instantaneous in our physical world of time. There is often much struggling and battling and suffering to be done first. Ultimately, in the end, we will have complete victory in Jesus, every tear will be wiped away by God Himself and we will spend all eternity in one long joyous celebration of that victory.

In the meantime, when we are in the middle of suffering that is beyond our ability to endure, what is our hope? How do we cope? Often in such a situation eternity seems so nebulous and far off that the thoughts of it bring little comfort. How often have I been given the trite answer, "Oh, don't worry, God won't let you have more than you

can bare!" That is wrong and a misquotation of the scripture. The scripture being referred to is:

"Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

I Corinthians 10:12-13

There is a vast difference between temptation and suffering. Paul wrote very clearly in II Corinthians 1:8:

"For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life."

Consider the following scripture:

"Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone; and sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellow laborer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith: That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know."

I Thessalonians 3:1-4

So what is the help, or hope, or answer? I speak out of my own experience, having been for more than three years in the midst of suffering and under pressures far beyond my ability to endure with no relief in sight. I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that I will inherit a "Crown of Life" and have great joy throughout eternity. But in all honesty that does not ease my hurt much now. I have no "pat" answer. All I can say is that as I firmly place my feet on "The Rock" (Jesus Christ), and day by day, with many tears, ask the Lord to give me His strength and grace to continue standing, I experience the reality of those beautiful verses which say:

"Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ."

As I continue to stand firm, the Lord helps me carry the suffering and pressure and grief so that I am not overwhelmed unto death; so that I can continue with the work which is given me to do, having the full assurance that:

"...for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." II Timothy 1:12b

Often we will find ourselves in a position where we have done all that we know to do and yet the situation continues to seem hopeless. Then we must remember Paul's wise counsel in Ephesians:

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." Ephesians 6:13

Simply standing, holding our ground in Christ Jesus and waiting on Him is the hardest thing we will ever have to do. So let us stand my dear brothers and sisters in Christ. Let us stand together with the knowledge that:

"Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me. The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: [will fulfill his purpose for me] thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever..."

Psalm 138:7-8

No matter what happens, the great, incredible God of the universe has a purpose for you. For YOU! You, as an individual and He will fulfill it. All the forces of Satan and his vast army cannot stop God from fulfilling His purpose for you. Many things you do not understand and will never understand while here on this earth. Whatever the outcome may be — be it life, or death, or continued suffering to the

end — this you can know and rest in: day by day, somehow, someway that you may not understand, God *is* fulfilling His purpose for you and His love for you endures forever!

Don't give up! The Lord will set you free from bondage to Satan. Only the Lord can set you free — you are not stronger than or more intelligent than the demons! You cannot do anything yourself, but Jesus can and will!

Jesus came to set the captives free!