

General Topics :: "Meth" the name of a demon.

"Meth" the name of a demon., on: 2007/7/3 23:29

I'm going to paste up an online episode of the PBS documentary series "Frontline", this episode is called "The Meth Epidemic"

(<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/meth/view/>) "The Meth Epidemic"---Frontline

You can view the whole episode online (as well as 66 other online episodes)preferably you should have a broadband internet connection.

As I was watching this terrible plague, and praying whilst I watched, it was so reminiscent of the Gadarene demoniac "legion" that Jesus encountered, he was naked, cut up, living in caves, continually used his demonic strength to break the chains he was bound with, Lord only knows what terror he must have caused in that region. Jesus steps in, cast these demons out who begged not to be sent into the abyss, so the Lord send them into the lake, you all know the story. I said that to say this. One of the fine brave Oregonian law enforcement officials, who had seen people arrested over and over again for meth, physically saw the changes in their faces, so he began to collect pictures of the ravages of this demon over the years in these poor souls lives, and I'm telling you all, their faces look like one of those awful movies where people get possessed.

The statistics are astounding, as far as the percentage of property theft related to meth, children sent to foster care because of meth, the things these children have to witness, or to be subjected to because of meth, AND there are only 9 factories worldwide that produce pseudoephedrine, the primary stool this demon feeds off of.....and now, the Mexican mafia has stepped in, recognizing a center of profit potential.

So, this is a prayer point, AND an action point. Pray in the Name of Jesus against this foul demon, and where the Lord guides you be light, consider being a foster parent, if you know a meth addict, pray for and over them, be wise, be prayed up, because they got a demon in them, this demon is much much different than alcohol, or even coke. If you know of a lab, or a cooker, or a seller, don't even hesitate nor fear, get on the phone and call law enforcement. Meth cookers like rural areas, many of you live in rural areas, you can SMELL a meth lab a mile away. I'm not saying take the law into your own hands, tempting as that may be, when you live in the country and everybody knows who's who and what's what but as Christians we have to do things decently and in order.

anyway, just a situation to pray and ponder over.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon., on: 2007/7/3 23:45

Quote:
-----if you know a meth addict, pray for and over them, be wise, be prayed up, because they got a demon in them, this demon is much much different than alcohol, or even coke.

thanks worm (still waiting for a name brother or sister!). This is very serious, when I started witnessing in the suburbs I could walk up to someone and ask them if they consider themselves to be a good person and hand them a way of the master tract... once I got to the inner city I realized that my little tracts and "good person test" were about as useful as a bucket of cold water at a five alarm fire.

I do believe that God will continue to do a work in the most possessed and hopelessly bound of society as the good church folks continue to jump into apostasy. These people need the power and the reality of the kingdom of God to touch their lives.

In Christ - Jim

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Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/7/4 0:14

Jim wrote:

Quote:
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Jim, what do you say instead? How do you handle these situations?

ginnyrose

Re: - posted by jarona (), on: 2007/7/4 0:51

Many demons take after the name of what their influence is or what the anti-christ influence is as far as tempting and trying to destroy or corrupt the person. For instance a person who listens to the Beatles may have a demon called Beatles. There are women who have a demon by the name of penis, which you could probably imagine what that demon's goal and what he is set out to do. I could probably go on and on. It is the same with pills; I think I've heard of a demon called Valium, and I think it is the same whether it be Prozac, etc. As other spirits can enter in through the person taking those things and influence him or her. Another example could be someone who has dabbled in the occult, that person may have a demon who goes by the name of a book that person read that is an occult book for example (Edgar Cayce or Jeanne Dixon). Another example I will give are concerning spirits whose influence is to make the person dishonest instead of a spirit just called liar or lie the person may have multiple spirits influencing them. Such as demons by the names of big liar, convenient lies, little stories, lying imagination, cunning, deception, little white lies, deliberate lying, craftiness, wee liar, etc. It is the same with spirits of fear, there is likely not just one spirit of fear upon a person but a number of spirits of fear upon a person who are sent or issued to trigger specific fears within a person such as fears of a heart attack, cars, death, hell, rejection, people, storms, failure, spiders, loss of marriage, rape, husband/wife, failure, hurting people; alright I think you'd get the point by now. Yeah I could go on and on but I'll stop myself soon, I wish Sermon Index had some messages I've listened to by people who were used powerfully in the deliverance ministry because if so I'd probably tell people on here to check them out. Have any of you people heard of Win Worley or Bill Null? We can loose angels of God to do war over nations! Let's learn how to use the keys to the kingdom of Heaven!

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon. - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/7/4 0:57

Thanks for posting this link. I checked it out...it just about makes me sick - literally ill, I almost feel like I could puke...

I forwarded this link to a ton of people in my address book...

ginnyrose

Jarona, on: 2007/7/4 0:59

agreed. The deliverance ministry, but the deliverance ministry is more than words, I'm sure you know that.

It's about stepping outside your comfort zone, being prayed up, it's about getting your hands dirty, I know you know that. I'm drawing my crosshairs on that demon named "Meth". IF we are the Body of Christ, it is His Hands we use and His Heart we love with, and thru the Holy Ghost we utilize as our Power and Comforter when the going gets rough.

that's what I'm testifying.

Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/7/4 1:08

jarona,

There is no biblical basis for any of what you have stated.

Ginny.....it made me weep., on: 2007/7/4 1:12

There but for the grace of God go I.

and I'm the father of a pre-teen boy, saved as he is, I pray that Jesus protect him from such demons, and I'm going stay close to him, talk to him real, show him the reality behind the reality, that this might be a crystal rock, but it's really a demon with no other desire than to kill steal and destroy his loving soul and beautiful mind, that God gave him to affect change in this wicked world.

I've told him this quite clear...not regarding meth, but in general: the decision is yours; you can be a son of the Light, or a son of the darkness, the choice is yours. He nodded, coz he knows what's at stake. We got to protect our young ones, not tyrannically, or stifling, but with words of Power, wise and loving and gentle as led by the Holy Spirit.

The devil, the destroyer, is getting more desperate everyday, his end is coming, and he knows it.

sell a cloak, buy a sword.

Lord love you.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon, on: 2007/7/4 7:00

Hi Mike,

I know you've said this before,

Quote:

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but it no way explains this biblical record of Jesus Himself.

Mark 5:9

Then **He** asked him, "**What is your name?**" And he answered, saying, "My name *is* Legion; for we are many."

nor how those with the ministry of casting out demons are either given the name of the demon by the Lord, or, when they ask, being *in* the name of Jesus, the demon may reply *giving its name*.

I myself was delivered from a spirit of fear long ago by an elder who was given the discernment to call it that and cast it out.

I had had no idea I was in bondage to such a spirit, but believe me, I was changed by that deliverance.

In the moment of practicality when praying for a person, one has to know who one is hearing, and one must believe the revelation the Spirit is giving, is true. There are other ways to discern what kind of spirit is binding a person.

What worm has shared in the opening post about the photographs, accords with observations I have made in people I've met, who are in other bondages. There is a common appearance.

Re: - posted by Tears_of_joy, on: 2007/7/4 7:16

Quote:

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Hi Linn,

May I ask you, when did that happen? Before or after you was born of the Spirit? And do you mean by "spirit of fear" a demon?

Proving by proof text - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/7/4 9:22

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"Jesus Himself"

This alone ought to be enough of it's own answer.

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"One has to know". Precisely the root of the assumption, according to what? What basis is there in scripture to support this conclusion?

Quote:

-----What worm has shared in the opening post about the photographs, accords with observations I have made in people I've met, who are in other bondages. There is a common appearance.

You have your observations and I have my experience. What has this to do with a question raised by another poster?

I have 'seen' "demons" swirling about in my head, a vision of sorts with the eyes closed, hideous, laughing creatures, ironically linked to exactly this addiction. Were they real? Or induced in an imagination under the influence? That I can recall those instances to mind instantaneously, what does it prove?

It proves one experience that cannot be then made into a doctrine of assumption that I would then go about using as a buttress that is not spoken of in scripture. Was it the product of an illusion or delusion caused by the drug or an influence the other way round? I don't know and I don't need to know. It also proves that like drugs themselves we do not know what we are playing with entering these realms and to begin categorizing demons by name, by locality and region and all the other imaginations is highly suspect and dangerous when it is spoken to only by silence in scripture.

You can look at an appearance and I can tell you of my own photograph with it's dark rings around the eyes from days without sleep, without eating. I can tell you of years of daily abuse and being frightened by a plummet into the darkness that awakened me to quit cold so powerful was it. I could tell of how after seven years how I fell right back into the grip to satisfy a narcissistic bent to somehow render a payback to a broken relationship that was all concocted in my mind. I know all too well by experience the rack on the nervous system, the paranoia, the overtaking of all things to feed the hunger that is never satisfied but only pacified in small doses of 'relief' from the ravages of speed, crank, meth - Choose your poison.

There is something coming up quite frequently in our parts here that is becoming more and more alarming. And that is a displacement by over exaggeration on one off things, mentions and aberrations in scripture that some would build whole doctrines around, use them as proof texts and supports for every experience we encounter.

You have your experience and I have mine. Praise God for deliverance but moreover praise God for the *Deliverer*.

I am clinging to the scriptures for dear life

Re: Ginny.....it made me weep. - posted by Spitfire, on: 2007/7/4 10:39

Quote:

-----The devil, the destroyer, is getting more desperate everyday, his end is coming, and he knows it.

Worm, I totally agree with you. I watched this documentary about 2 weeks ago and I, too, was greatly disturbed. I even s poke to Dorcas about it. I believe the anti-christ is definitely in a rage and is using Methamphetamine to destroy lives.

Quote:

-----We got to protect our young ones, not tyrannically, or stifling, but with words of Power, wise and loving and gentle as led by the Hol y Spirit.

Amen, Brother! Dian.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon. - posted by enid, on: 2007/7/4 11:22

I haven't watched the video, but reading various posts reminded me of a book I have.

It doesn't deal with demon possession, but with territorial spirits.

Here is a paragraph from the book.

'A classic and often repeated example of evidence that is beyond confirmation is the story of a missionary serving in a t own straddling the border between Uruguay and Brazil.

The main street in the town runs straight down the border.

The missonary noted that people presented with tracts on the Uruguay side would refuse them. Once the same people crossed over to the Brazil side, they would receive the tracts with profuse thanks. The missionary prayed over this puzzl e and God purportedly revealed that the ruling spirits had been broken on one side, but not on the other.

Some of the details in this story cry out for further investigation.

Was someone actually so careless as to bind the spirits over one half the town, and leave the other half intact?

Do geographical limitations of territorial spirits correspond precisely to the recent, shifting and often ill-defined political b oundaries of nations, extending even to one side of a street?

How is it that the spirits are stronger in secular Uruguay than in spirtistic Brazil?'

Sorry to be so long. But I said all that to say this in relation to the thread.

What the missionary said in this story has no scriptual basis, and neither does all the demonic happenings concerning ' meth' refered to.

There is demonic possession, no doubt about it.

But what were these demons doing before these drugs came along? Were they just unemployed?

Not being sarcastic, just wondering.

This is what I believe we Christians should be busy doing, taken from Acts 6v4.

'But we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word'.

God bless.

Re: - posted by jarona (), on: 2007/7/4 11:47

you mean no biblical basis for the specific names of demons i listed? (in my opinion) there are many truths concerning demons that are not in the bible and there are also false things out there about deliverance so it is good to be careful and to get Gods' understanding whether it is true or not. The way I look at it is if we needed to know those names of demons then Christ would have spoken specifically about those names of demons. God gave us what we needed to know and gave us examples of his work in casting out demons like the man with the legion. Jesus could have mentioned every spirit specifically in the man with many demons but it was not needed to do so. I think because He gave us power over all the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt us; And that whatever we bind on earth will be bound in heaven and whatever we loose on earth will be loosed in heaven; That the scriptures we have concerning deliverance are sufficient enough for the task of casting out demons the signs that Christ said would follow those who believe. He gave us the sufficient amount of scriptures needed to carry out his work. There is a e-book people can read for free online called Blumhardt's battle the story is based on an occurrence that took place in the 1800's i think. Anyways the thing I wanted to say about that was, this guy who gave an account of the battle he had that went on for yrs. with demons in a possessed woman he knew very little about deliverance at the time this event happened in his life yet with Christ in him and faith and perseverance with prayer he was victorious because Jesus Christ's power won the battle against the demons in this possessed woman. So I believe God gave us what we need to know about deliverance in the bible, and I think God wants us to learn things about it along the way as His Spirit brings truth and understanding to us.

Re: enid, on: 2007/7/5 1:18

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'But we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word'.

and part of the word, the call, is contained in the 61st chapter of Isaiah:

"The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me,
because the LORD has anointed me
to preach good news to the poor.
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim freedom for the captives
and release from darkness for the prisoners."

watch the video, you'll actually see what I'm referencing, that these poor souls are prisoners held in darkness by a demon who's name is meth, and only Christ can break their bonds, and we, as His Body can act as His Hands.

are they the only souls held in darkness? oh no. There are a multitude, a legion of dark beings, strongholds so to speak that hold afflicted lost souls in dark and dank places, and I believe that it is our duty and high and heavenly calling to speak and be light in dark places, only thru the Provisions granted thru Christ Jesus.

To me, if you speak hellfire to these lost souls, they'd say, "so what, I'm already in hell, tell me something I don't know". So one lets the Holy Spirit do the speaking thru you, tell of the Good News, speak of the Light and Love of Jesus, of laying down in green pastures, speak of a Heavenly Jerusalem, speak of the Kingdom of God AT HAND, and maybe thru the tender mercies of God, the heart you speak to will be yielded and open.

But first, the demon has to be cast out.

just random thoughts.

May God bless you.

Re: unemployed demons - posted by Spitfire, on: 2007/7/5 6:28

Quote:

-----But what were these demons doing before these drugs came along? Were they just unemployed?

Enid, I love how you put things. Is the the point that you are making here, that you don't believe there is a demon called, Meth? Or do you believe in casting out demons? Or maybe that we just shouldn't focus on that? Since you said,

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-----'But we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word'.

Help me, because I'm being serious. I understood your story from the book, and I understand that there isn't any validating scripture for that proposed verdict of a demon being bound on one side of the street but not the other. I understand that the only reference that we have in the Bible of a demon having a name is the one called Legion, which sounds like it was actually a group name.

So, don't hate me here, is the thing which has been called into question, whether or not demons have names? And is it also in question, whether or not you call it by the correct name when taking authority over it?

So, are you saying that we should just be praying and ministering the word? I really want to understand what you were saying. Thanks, Dian.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon, on: 2007/7/5 6:58

Tears_of_joy asked dorcas

Quote:

-----May I ask you, when did that happen? Before or after you was born of the Spirit? And do you mean by "spirit of fear" a demon?

OK. I'm going to preface my answer with a few comments. First, if a person doesn't believe any spirits can hang on to a Christian's life after they are born again, because of unhealed wounds, it means they have to carve out a theology which accommodates this presumption.

Secondly, I have looked in the New Testament several times for any alternative definition of demon, evil spirit and uncle an spirit, which would accommodate the idea that there is some significant difference between them, and I believe I've found the Greek word is the same, and it is the writer who has introduced the adjective or noun, as if this is significant for us to understand. I have never found the word 'disposition' with regard to an *attitude* or *behaviour* (understanding even behaviours have something to do with how one thinks), in scripture. Just like I've never found the word 'loyal' in scripture.

So, yes, I believe I was born again and yes I believe that spirit of fear was 'a spirit'.

I have come to believe there is a hierarchy of spirits, from my reading of the experiences of some missionaries, who also describe territorial spirits. I lived in Africa as a child and know this is acknowledged by those who worship those spirits.

There is no difficulty (to my mind) in a territorial spirit being bound by a jurisdiction such as a country boundary, whether it cuts across a mountain, runs down a river or a street as described. There are spirits confined to homes, or individual rooms in houses.

As Annie has said, His word in His name is enough to move them. Of course, sometimes there are many spirits in one room. This, of course, is what Jesus said when He described a life as a 'house'.

Enid,

An unemployed spirit roams around looking for somewhere to live. All spirits are looking for a residence of some sort. Jesus told us this.

To add to what I remarked above, it is the woundedness of people's lives which lay them open to spirits as much as their actively chosen personal sins.

This is why Jesus was so desirous to heal and to cast out spirits. He knew they would not be open to spirits if they were healed AND they turned away from sin.

I think we see from Legion's story, that no-one is unable to RUN to Jesus, no matter how tormented they are by spirits. (Mark 5) And, no-one can blame their sinning on the power of a spirit in their life. Whichever they need first - deliverance or healing - Jesus can do it if they will turn to Him. This is another battle of mind and will which is on the comer's side, no-one else's, in certain cases.

John said 'fear hath torment' and many spirits are very afraid of being cast out. Often, this is the emotion of which a person struggling with a spirit is most aware. Understanding this can make it much easier for them to see Jesus as a compassionate Deliverer.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon., on: 2007/7/5 7:47

Re: Proving by proof text

Hi Mike,

'Jesus Himself'.

The whole of John 17 is relevant.

18 "As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

19 "And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.

20 " I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word;

21 "that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

22 "I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

One day, Mike, I believe you will be free of this battle, enough to KNOW in this realm, what He is giving you to minister as He leads you.

I have rarely *tried* to 'cast out' a spirit or a demon in that direct way 'in the name of Jesus', but I have, and, I've prayed with or for in His name, and spoken the word He gives me at that time. The Spirit or that other person confirms this is the word of God to them, as respond to it. (Response may be negative.) Or, I have exercised faith when speaking into their lives because they have been open to His word, as they engaged in meaningful communication at heart level.

To some extent, one's ministry is limited to one's testimony, and so the challenge from God is personal - for *me* to move on - before I can lead another person further. He seems to weave His work in my own life, with that of His work in others'. Surely this is a natural part of being His body reaching out to the world, and nothing to be ashamed or embarrassed by.

Quote:
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is not spoken of in scripture.

Mike,

When the scripture describes a person's behaviour like the child being thrown into fire or water, that is the appearance of something abnormal. With those people who were deaf and dumb, that is the evidence of something abnormal. *Discernment* comes from God, that the *cause* in these cases, is *spiritual*, not (what we would call) physical.

This is where hearing His word by the Spirit in one's understanding brings one to the point of exercising faith. Had He not spoken, then there is no revelation to respond to. Any action in response to an mere observation is carnal, risky and to be discouraged. There may be, though, a stage when one has an answer, but it is not time to deliver it. Getting the timing right, has something to do with walking in the Spirit patiently.

The faith to respond to a revelation comes with the revelation, in a similar way that true conviction of sin is accompanied by a repentant attitude and the hope of salvation. These are works of the Spirit, not man.

Quote:

-----You have your experience and I have mine. Praise God for deliverance but moreover praise God for the Deliverer.

I am clinging to the scriptures for dear life

Amen. I hope you ask yourself questions like 'How did the disciples know which people to raise from the dead?' 'How did they know what to pray for healing?' and 'How did they cast out evil spirits?' ... I do.

Would it not have been crazy if Peter and John hadn't noticed the reason the man at the gate Beautiful was begging, was because he couldn't walk? It wasn't an undue *presumption* on Peter's part, that 'Rise up and walk' healed his legs.

I do feel that perhaps these practicalities are more obvious than we realise when we're merely reading. And Jesus' example of asking the blind man what he wanted Jesus to do for him, or the same to a leper, are examples to us not to assume we know what is in the person's heart.

But, knowing the answer to those questions, the Deliverer can give us the words to pray which will bring the needed release.

Re: - posted by enid, on: 2007/7/5 9:13

Hello Spitfire,

Concerning your questions, my main point is that we seem to be taking scripture further than God intended.

We are naming a substance a demon, where in scripture does God do that?

Perhaps in Prov 20v1, 'Wine is a mocker, strong drink is a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.

Also in Proverbs 23v29-35 it tells us of the destruction that alcohol can do.

But we have to question, is the demon in the meth or the person who takes it?

We can cast out demons as and when the situation arises, but it should not be our focus.

Did the apostles focus on it or did they focus on prayer and the ministry of the word?

Another thing is that Jesus asked the man his name, to which he replied, Legion.

He didn't name it, He asked.

Why would Jesus ask that? Don't you think He already knew?

In Luke 13v10-17 Jesus is in the synagouge and heals a woman with a spirit of infirmity.

Verse 16 says that satan had bound her 18 years.

Jesus didn't ask her how long she had been like that, he already knew.

In naming demons Jesus commanded a deaf and dumb spirit in Mark 9v25 to come out of a boy.

The point is, I don't know if we should go around naming things as demonic when looking at scripture, we have nothing valid to go by.

I've heard someone describe chocolate as a demon.

How much further do we take this?

There is enough error and false doctrine in the church already without being distracted by something that seems questionable.

It could divert our attention from God on to something else.

This post is long enough.

God bless.

Re: - posted by running2win (), on: 2007/7/5 9:44

This is a disturbing thread. I agree with Mike and Enid, there's a lot of extra-biblical assumption and presumption going on here. Demonic possession is a serious thing that takes serious things to bring it about. I've seen many many people bound by fears and alcohol and drugs and you name it but I've only seen a couple of cases of genuine demonic possession and I promise you it's on a totally different level than what people are discussing here on this thread. When I came to Christ I was completely bound by sins of almost every kind but I wasn't full of demons of every kind.

I would say it's fairly likely that quite a number of meth users are possessed but that doesn't by any means mean that they're ALL demonically possessed. Is someone that smokes possessed by a demon of nicotine? That's a silly idea. I know many very dedicated Christians with a caffeine(splng?) addiction from coffee. Are they possessed by the demon of caffeine? That's a laughable idea.

An addiction is not a demon. Fear is not a demon. In some cases it can be caused by a demon but it is not a demon.

Now a question for you Mike,
when you were born again were you possessed and needed demons cast out of you?

Re: - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2007/7/5 10:24

Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.(Gal 5:19-21 ESV)

Wouldn't drug use fall in the same category as drunkenness? Paul calls this a work of the flesh, can we cast out the flesh?

I don't doubt for a moment that the demonic world is very real and active but there is a real danger when we look at everything as demonic attacks or demonic possession. The danger comes when we blame things on demons instead of accepting the responsibility ourselves. If we are disobedient and sinful the responsibility is to look at our own lives, the verses above tell us the real issue is with sins of the flesh. This doesn't call for casting out of demons but rather for confession and repentance;

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

(1Jn 1:8-10 ESV)

In Christ,

Ron

enid...not in the spirit you think, on: 2007/7/5 10:25

I wanted to post the initial post not to distract, nor to have everyone agree with me.

I made the initial post, testifying to what the Spirit in me was crying out and witnessing what I just saw, and I what I felt in the Holy Ghost was the spiritual component beyond the surface of it all, which is an epidemic use of this killer drug.

Nor am I involved in the ministry of seeing and casting out denoms in everything I see and don't like. Not at all.

It's just that when I saw this video, a matter of fact bit of news reporting, I saw beyond that, to a spiritual component, that is entirely unwholesome and with the power to "kill, steal and destroy", that's all.....if my heart testimony is something questionable and distracting, then by all means, by pass it, seek what is Good.....God bless you.

Re: Ron, on: 2007/7/5 11:05

Quote:

-----Wouldn't drug use fall in the same category as drunkenness?

respectfully, no.

let me put forth one Greek word:

Pharmakeia.

translations and usage:

- 1.the use or the administering of drugs
- 2.poisoning
- 3.sorcery, magical arts, often found in connection with idolatry and fostered by it
- 4.metaph. the deceptions and seductions of idolatry

Quote:

-----The danger comes when we blame things on demons instead of accepting the responsibility ourselves

That's all well and swell, but I heard one of these lost souls saying, I started "using", and I "lost myself". So to me, your statement lacks "about accepting responsibility" lacks a certain agape love, or a realization of "there but for the Grace of God go I".

When these people start using, its because they have an empty room, unfilled, nothing in it, and that first hit, they open a door, and a demon sweeps in, at first smiling, happy, spreading joy and euphoria, and then after time, this spirit embodied thru this hellish substance spreads out its true game, "kill, seek and destroy".

and there is no real resemblance to wine, as opposed to meth, meth is truly an inorganic substance, that can alter our brain, concocted using 20th century technology.

My whole point was, as the Body of Christ, what do we do about this demon, this pharmakeia, and the wreckage that lay strewn about in its path, the other victims? First we pray, yes! But what about the children, the unwitting and helpless victims, who have had their parents snatched away, socked into a foster home, that might be worse than the former home?

I have to be frank, not because I feel a need to be agreed with, and maybe its a failure of communication via the internet , but those on this thread who feel that I'm testifying in something distracting or extra-Biblical....it grieves me, because that's not what I meant: I wasn't endeavouring to craft a name chart of demons, or advocate a ministry of casting out demons, I'm looking for the "lepers", those nobody wants to touch, to save, to heal. that's all, and that's where I'll leave it, and pray that you and maybe enid understand what I'm trying to say and can see that it is all tied into the Ministry of the Gospel that gives life, and life abundantly.

just in closing, maybe the internet isn't the best place to discuss the Deep Things of God, because all we ARE doing is just typing out mere words, alone in our rooms and garrets.....and church as "we do it" today has just become an empty hollow sham shell of itself, pro-forma, by the numbers, stand up, sit down, say "amen" at the right places, listen to a man in a suit give a lecture, and then leave....and then bless his soul, this same man on wednesday will hold a Bible study in those same pews, another lecture, another round of amens, and then we leave, till sunday, "wash, rinse, repeat".

sigh.

There is Power in the Blood, wonder-working Power in the Blood of the Lamb.

May God bless you, (and me)

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon, on: 2007/7/5 11:08

InTheLight said

Quote:

-----Wouldn't drug use fall in the same category as drunkenness? Paul calls this a work of the flesh, can we cast out the flesh?

Hi Ron,

It is the work of the flesh which opens the spirit and the soul to the kind of damage which only Christ can heal, especially if the person does not know Him.

I'd like to add, that the effect of crystal meth on the mind is something way beyond what alcohol does.

My son was sharing a house with an ex crystal dealer who looks about forty, but claims to be in late twenties. In an alcoholic rage one day, he took a door off its hinges and a central heating radiator off the wall while attempting to prevent himself from damaging the people around him who had (wisely) barricaded themselves into their rooms with justifiable fear.

Salvationists would refer to alcohol as 'the demon drink'. Any known sin committed by a Christian, offers a spiritual stronghold from which it is even more difficult to wrench back one's life. (Experience talking again. :-o)

Quote:

-----This doesn't call for casting out of demons but rather for confession and repentance;

Surely it is not an 'either - or' option? That's a start. But the whole reason bondage is called 'bondage' is that people don't get free from it unless someone else comes and unties them. It may be the individual who knows what's happening invites Jesus to come and release them, or, they may need someone else to get the discernment from God, and pray for them. So, it may call for *all* that.

Re: - posted by RobertW (), on: 2007/7/5 11:16

Quote:
-----Ron's: Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.(Gal 5:19-21 ESV)

Wouldn't drug use fall in the same category as drunkenness? Paul calls this a work of the flesh, can we cast out the flesh?

I used to teach our youth on this subject as here in Independence, MO. it was once called the Meth capitol of the world. Everywhere you look folk have the tell tale signs of having suffered meth use.

To answer your question; Yes it is a work of the flesh as the Greek word is *pharmakia* from which some say we derive our English word *pharmacy*. It is found in Galatians 5:20 and Revelation 9:21, 18:23. The word means a "spell binding potent." It is translated in the KJV as sorcery and witchcraft. It is also said to be a sin that can be repented of. However, I do think that folk that are bound to drugs need Divine deliverance in many cases. And though I do not subscribe to the idea that these things are 'demons' in themselves; I do believe wholeheartedly that these types of drugs *and* alcohol somehow and sometimes opens the door to the spirit world (If I can say that loosely). My dad who was an alcoholic and I had this conversation recently and the one question we could not answer was; when a person in effect does not know what they are doing- what is doing the 'doing'? In other words, If I abandon the wheel of a car the car will crash to a stop. What am I to think has happened once I leave the wheel and the car keeps on going? Who or what took control? We never really concluded anything other than it was a scary thought.

Re: - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2007/7/5 11:31

Quote:
-----let me put forth one Greek word: Pharmakeia...

Quote:
-----My whole point was, as the Body of Christ, what do we do about this demon, this pharmakeia...

This word 'pharmakia' also is found in Paul's list of works of the flesh in Galatians 5. Why do you equate pharmakia with a demon when Paul equates it with the flesh?

Quote:
-----That's all well and swell, but I heard one of these lost souls saying, I started "using", and I "lost myself". So to me, your statement lacks "about accepting responsibility" lacks a certain agape love, or a realization of "there but for the Grace of God go I".

I'm sorry that you feel I lack love. To my understanding of Scripture, the truth is what will make men free. The love of God shed abroad in my heart desperately wants to see men made free, therefore I will speak the truth in love.

I think we borrow from the world too much when dealing with sin, especially those involved in drugs and alcohol. Even the word 'addiction' tends to place responsibility outside of a person. Men need to repent of and confess sins, Christ will deliver them as He has promised. As a former drug user myself and as one who is involved with many in a drug and alcohol ministry at my church, I have seen Him set folks free of meth and many other awful things by them simply hearing the word and receiving Christ.

In Christ,

Ron

Re: - posted by running2win (), on: 2007/7/5 11:35

worm4Christ,

I understand and completely agree with your heart on the whole matter. The ravaging effects of meth are way beyond comprehension.

I'm originally from Oregon which is where some of the worst meth problems in the country are. I now live in Cheyenne, which is the capitol of Wyoming, (actually I'm living in Pennsylvania at the moment but that's only temporary as I'm a one year volunteer for a ministry) which also has some very severe meth problems.

As you're driving down the streets in these places you can spot a meth user from a mile away. The thin ragged hair, missing teeth, loose wrinkled skin, sores... it's enough to make one sick to their stomach. And my heart cries the same that yours does-

Children of God, why aren't we what we ought to be! Why aren't we shaking the world for God! The world is in hell already even while it journeys toward hell and ultimately to the lake of fire, and the church (that means ME too!) is falling down on the job of turning this world upside down for God.

Oh christians, please seek God with me to deal with the things in our lives that hinder Him from pouring out the Holy Ghost on us again!!! We (the church) are the problem. God deal with us! WE need revival so that God can reach this sin-torn land of ours *through* us!

Re:, on: 2007/7/5 12:05

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I agree with this, but drug use does open the doorway to hell wide open that many demons may come in. I am not a demon in every pig kind of guy myself, but a short amount of time spent doing personal work in the inner city will bare witness to this demonic activity.

In Christ - Jim

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Jim, I can certainly agree with this. I have been involved in street ministry to the inner city homeless here in Phoenix for about 4-5 years now and I am also well aware of the demonic activity, it is very real.

In Christ,

Ron

Re:, on: 2007/7/5 12:24

Quote:

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Praise God, may He keep you and guide you as you reach out to the "foolish and despised" things of the world. PM me sometime bro, I'd like to talk more.

In Christ - Jim

Re: - posted by jarona (), on: 2007/7/5 15:59

There is a real difference between demonic (oppression) and (possession) someone can be oppressed by a demon that causes them to fear, as the same with nicotine, or caffeine, etc. Some people believe Christians can't have a demon I think that is really foolish and that they need spiritual discernment; but can a Christian be entirely possessed? that is a different question. Someone can absolutely be oppressed by a demon to the point that they are not fulfilling an amount of God's will because the spirit has power over an area of their life which is keeping them in bondage such as (fear of man) or a spirit of fear which can keep people from preaching the gospel, etc.

Re: By Name - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/7/5 16:00

Quote:

-----Now a question for you Mike,
when you were born again were you possessed and needed demons cast out of you?

No.

Harrassed? Certainly ... Had I opened the door to this?, absolutely ...

Quote:

-----alot of extra-biblical assuption and presumption going on

Precisely the point. This, like so many things seems to fall into the all or nothing camp too often. What is bothersome and dangerous is to diagnose this by theatrics and even by so called 'deliverance ministries' as a specialty. It tends to build itself up upon case history and experience by multiplication to prove it's ... necessity. Then furthers itself by bringing in unscriptural means as 'pragmatic' to it's foundation thereby 'proving' things when they, true or not may be isolated incidents. I have no doubt that *some* of these things are in fact true and have listened to a very sincere and humble missionary discuss issues dealing with witchcraft and the demonic that would buttress the view of many here.

The sad fact of a great deal of this is that it is sensational and is treated in such a fashion. To the more exacting point here, that of naming names in this manner is not at all biblical no matter how tortured the text's to try and prove it.

It is very serious business that is best codified by the verse;

"Jesus I know and Paul I know, but who are you?"

Re: - posted by vico, on: 2007/7/5 21:39

lets remember to check everything against the Word of God. If you can't find it in the Bible, don't believe it. there is a lot of misunderstanding when it comes to the subject of spirits/demons. A lot of false information and ideas are being spread about this topic, and people are choosing to believe it without consulting the Lord and his Word. lets bring it back to the Bible, thats the only place we'll find any truth in this matter.

blessings upon all those that love our Lord in sincerity!

Re: enid...not in the spirit you think - posted by John173 (), on: 2007/7/6 1:41

"But we have to question, is the demon in the meth or the person who takes it?"

"It's just that when I saw this video, a matter of fact bit of news reporting, I saw beyond that, to a spiritual component, that is entirely unwholesome and with the power to "kill, steal and destroy", that's all....."

To the best of my knowledge, meth was created during WWII by nazi scientists attempting to give soldiers the ability to stay awake for longer periods of time. If this is true, is it any wonder that it turned into such a devilish plague?

Doug

forgive me Ron, on: 2007/7/8 9:55

I didnt mean to say that, that I percieve you lack love....wrong. Forgive me please.

Nor did I mean to start controversy. Every person sees thru eyes uniquely their own. Nor am I into or know "deliverance ministries", nor am I in abject fear of demons, etc.

I made the initial post, because there was something in that report, BEHIND the report, something foul and loathsome, something requiring prayer and intercession, on a number of levels.

I can't put my finger on it, but there is something very very wrong today, afoot in our country, that is the physical country we live in, America, and it goes much deeper than just one manifestation of sinful behavior, meth usage in this case, much deeper than "shop till you drop" soul sickness, much deeper than figures of national authority who wrap themselves in lies and deceitful behavior, both political parties, much deeper than a church hopelessly divided, some of the "sheperds" of which are men leading people astray by not only dubious "doctrine", but by the witness of their very lives and lifestyles, unmasked in front of a nation already spiraling downward with confusion and ease and the lack of Knowledge of the Gospel, it's very joy, sweetness, spiritual provision.

It seems to me, as a vast wet rotting wool blanket settling downward over this nation, coast to coast, ready to engulf and suffocate.

I hear the cry, "give us revival", and while this is my heartcry also, I also recieve at the same time a word, that He says 'no', that we don't warrant revival, that the lampstand shall be shattered, along with the ease of Zion that we here in America have lived with these many years.

I don't say that to create a controversy, I am merely testifying to the word in my heart. Pray God I'm wrong. I know that God is merciful, but sometimes He say's "enough is enough". Pray God I'm wrong, may those who tarry for revival be giving the fruit of their prayers.

John173, on: 2007/7/8 10:06

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yes, the Battle of the Bulge.

During the first Gulf War, many of our pilots, who had to fly LONG missions were given speed, and then post mission, given soporifics, downers, so they could get to sleep. After about thirty days of this, both air commanders and the pilots themselves didn't like what this was doing to them, so the practice was discontinued.

War is a squalid business indeed, it makes men do what they don't want to do.

Same thing with meth addicts, they do what they do not want to do. a squalid business, that.

Prayer is needed, maybe even groaning in travail of spirit.

Lord bless you

Re: forgive me Ron - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/7/8 12:11

Hi worm, (like your name by the by)

Appreciate your further comments here. I too have much the same sentiments percolating these days, our present state both in the moral decay in the world but more profoundly that which is diseased in the Body of our Lord ...

Mentioned my earlier experiences with this particular drug but thought I would share the outcome of the second go round. Was doing some work on the apartments where I live and had just got into a great heated argument with my wife over the very thing itself. In my anger and self-justification, stewing and likely being convicted simultaneously had climbed back up on a ladder that within a few moments had decided to collapse on me, sending me butt first to the pavement from a height of about 5 or 6 feet. In the spiral apparently put out my hand to brace and broke my wrist. It was *painful* to say the least even under the heightened sense of effect of the speed itself, giving this quasi superman like quality that can feel little pain, similar to one long constant rush of adrenaline. I ended up literally crawling back into the apartment and unto the couch where I received a great deal of unwarranted sympathy after being so cross with the one that I loved.

Take it anyway you like and I am not one to attribute everything as a 'sign' from the Lord usually but it got my attention regardless. The next day I took the last of the bindle (what the druggies keep the powder in) and before my wife, opened it and spilled the remaining contents into the carpet. That was the end, rather the beginning of the end. It did help that there was some offset by the Vicodan for the still throbbing pain of the break to subsist in lessening the great draw that speed has on it's feeding for ever more and more fuel ... the coming off or withdrawal is something almost indescribable, it is the fact of that which keeps the addict in his addiction. Too painful and agonizing and far easier to be relieved by yet another feeding, a vicious, vicious circle.

But it would still be the weeks and months up ahead where the temptations would come on with a full head of steam, acquaintances and 'friends' always at the ready, still trapped asking, looking for sources of supply, that sort of thing. But even all this was different and while a particular battle all it's own, the pot was a even longer and more protracted battle after 20 plus odd years of daily usage. That was a ultimately spiritual battle that took many, many months to fight through, not in so called self will but in the self refutation, of truly giving up on completely different lines altogether. It was long and protracted. A death all it's own, one that the Lord was victor and conqueror over the man and the nature. Much, much more could be said.

I guess I am sharing all this to come along side you here while also trying to make something of a point as well. What I perceive far too often is that well meaning Christians can get all caught up in tactics and in trying to sort things into nice, neat and tidy categories. I keep hearing Paul's words here;

Rom 16:19 For your obedience has become known to everyone, and I am full of joy for you. But I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil.

Surly he didn't mean ignorant and I believe he was attempting to foster that which we do find throughout scripture when it comes to meddling with things of this nature, this spirit. We don't need to know a lot of things and can end up with all kinds of notions by borrowing from scriptures and building whole cottage industries out of them. Don't we have that nowadays? "Deliverance" ministries and "Prophetic ministries", Healing ministries" and so on.

None of these things are in any way scriptural or even were actual with the Lord or the disciples as ideals or particular efforts, certainly in manifestations where they were warranted, but not as offices and constructs.

I realize that is not what you are saying and there is that recognition here that we can often be speaking in generalities to anyone happening upon these conversations, they are just expansions of thought.

Quote:

-----I made the initial post, because there was something in that report, BEHIND the report, something foul and loathsome, something requiring prayer and intercession, on a number of levels.

Well said. Indeed it is true, what of the vast seemingly 'good' things out there, what is back of those as well? Not a pointed question just a furthering of the thought. Something I have been giving some musing to is the corruption of practically everything and how we can miss those because of their subtleties. As example, generally speaking the things that will alarm many Christians are the seemingly overt things. Rock music for instance, *It's of the devil!* Well you don't say! What about the sweet and sentimental, sensual aspects of Country Music or even "easy listening" ... harmless? Moreover and even greatly overlooked is Christian music itself ... but we have worn some deep grooves in that record in these parts.

You are correct, it is far deeper and more cynical and sinister than we even know.

Quote:

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Of course we don't warrant it, very much the reason we are in such need of it but I wonder if perhaps we are not seeing it as it historical is. Is revival not the great corrective? The breaking into this foul atmosphere of God Himself and always first into His own home to clean up by breaking down, bending us all to His will and desires? It must be first the church before anything else. This country and many others are reaping what they are sowing without a doubt. I am just as inclined to what this speaks as anyone;

"God has revealed the coming judgment throughout the history of the human race. He revealed it in the Flood; He revealed it in the destruction of the Tower of Babel; He revealed it in the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah; He revealed it in the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. And I believe He is revealing it in the wars of this twentieth century. We are making a mockery of our civilization, of our great advancement. The state of the world is a manifestation of the wrath of God. He has handed us over to evil. He is allowing us to stew in our own juice. He is withdrawing His restraining power in order to warn us to save ourselves from this 'untoward generation,' in order to warn us to 'flee from the wrath to come'" (Matt. 3:7).

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(Apologize for the continual repeating of this elsewhere, it just seems so prudent at the moment).

But I don't believe that the saints are to capitulate to a sense of abandonment either, that the gig is up and there is nothing left to do than to wait out the days. Again, not what you are forwarding perhaps at all but have heard similar sentiments expressed. If one was to really think about it, revival is the *last* thing this nation would want it would be a full on collision with everything it holds dear both the world in its ease and moreover the church in its non-disturbance and comfortable stance not to offend anybody, especially itself.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/7/9 8:46

Mike, I loved your testimony. It confirms a story or testimony told me by one of my clients. Now I will say up front, my understanding of the WORD is not dependant upon experiences, either my own or anothers'. All of our understanding must be based on Scripture. PERIOD.

One day at CPC, I looked out into the waiting room and saw 'something' sitting on the sofa. My initial reaction was "what is that thing?" Then I saw it was a human being, a black female. And she was so little, tiny, although I would not normally say anyone who is my height (4'11") is tiny, but these were my first impressions.

Fortunately, I saw her as a client that day, she did not come in so much for a pregnancy test as she wanted help to assist her to get off of cocaine. Now I was alone that day in the office, and we were not set up to help persons like her and these requests are rare. I told her I will see what I can do, and if you will, call me later and I will tell you something. I called everywhere, everyplace listed in our Resource manual....anyhow I should not have allowed her to leave the building...never saw her since. Learned a lesson there: next time we had one we kept her there and took her to the hospital. (in our small city the facilities to help persons like her are severely limited, especially for one who persistently violates their rules.) Now back to the girl.

Ms Jefferies was an emaciated woman, hard to call her that..she was in her 30s, if I recall, but looked ancient. Thin, terribly thin. She described to me her experience with cocaine. She seldom sleeps, is always on the move (which was very obvious to me reading her body language). She was very intelligent, insightful as to the causes and remedy of her problem or about anything else, for that matter. (And oddly enough, she is very likeable!) And she had a horrible black look on her face. Unrepentant sinners have this in their eyes: you will see it. It is just there, it is a reflection of their spiritual condition. Anyhow, she got to talking.

Ms Jefferies told me how she had been in drug rehab, had accepted the LORD and was delivered from cocaine addiction. She had no desire for it. Things were going very well for her. However, in her walk with the LORD she got careless and eventually lukewarm. When this happened, her cravings for the drug returned...in full force. She told me she knew that if she had stayed close to the LORD this would never have happened.

Ah, the power of God....

Blessings,
ginnyrose

Re: forgive me Ron - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2007/7/9 9:17

Quote:

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Forgiven and forgotten.

Quote:

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I think many in the Body have a spiritual understanding that judgment is coming, many posts hereabouts on the subject. Perhaps the very revival we seek will usher forth from said judgments for I beleieve that God's judgments here on earth are always redemptive, there is always that principle of death followed by resurrection.

In Christ,

Ron

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon. - posted by jarona (), on: 2007/7/9 20:24

Children of God let us not let demons keep us from understanding spiritual warfare and binding and loosing. Let us not let them put fear or doubts in our hearts as to what is true and false about binding and loosing and through that fear keep us from understanding and doing the will of God in and for our lives. Let us not say in our hearts because I do not know much about binding and loosing therefore I will not do it or seek to learn about spiritual warfare. I feel ok where I am at and I do not want to learn false things therefore I will stray from learning about spiritual warfare and binding and loosing. Indeed the casting out of demons, one of the signs Christ said would follow those who believe in His name (Mark 16:17) is being greatly neglected and is not being done in most churches. We should not allow the fear of believing something false about spiritual warfare or binding and loosing keep us from learning about and doing spiritual warfare as God wants us to. Indeed people have misconceptions about what spiritual warfare is and believe false things concerning what it is; But did Jesus not say that that the Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth? (John 16:13) Therefore let us seek to understand about binding and loosing and allow the Spirit of God to show us what is true and what is not instead of hardening our hearts and allowing the fear of a false teaching to keep us from understanding and moving into the authority of Christ and using the keys to the kingdom of Heaven that Christ talked about; (And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of Heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in Heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in Heaven. Mathew 16:19) Hear the words of Christ in your hearts: "Or do you think that I cannot now pray to My Father, and He will provide Me with more than twelve legions of angels? Mathew 26:53) Did Christ not say that whatever we loose on earth will be loosed in Heaven? Therefore we can loose angels of God to do war with the enemy. Does the bible not say that we are seated with Christ? Therefore if we are seated with Christ we have power and authority to loose angels and spirits of God upon the earth to do war with the enemy. O, if you and I could see the mighty angels in Heaven with their swords waiting to do battle whenever our faith demands it, how glorious that would be. Let us seek the wisdom of the Most High that we might bind and loose and destroy the works of the devil! It says in Psalms 104:4 that God makes His angels spirits. If Christ has given us the keys to the kingdom of Heaven and has declared in His Word that He could have had the Father send twelve legions of angels to help Him, can we not do the same if we are seated with Christ in the Heavens. Children of God who speak of the prayer closet or prayer on this site, pray and seek the wisdom of God concerning your rights in being able to bind and loose that you may uproot the works of the enemy. We can loose angels from Heaven to do war with the enemy upon this earth. I plead with you through this message do not harden your hearts but seek the Lord that you may use the keys to the kingdom of Heaven! Do not allow the enemy to keep you from trying to understand and to get you to look down upon deliverance ministers; but seek God and understand that we can loose Heaven upon the earth in Christ's name!

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon, on: 2007/7/10 10:44

Hello Jaron,

Having read your post, there are two things I'd like to offer for your consideration.

Oswald Chambers said 'Ye shall receive the power of the Holy Ghost' - not power as a gift from the Holy Ghost; the power IS the Holy Ghost, not something which He imparts.'

April 12, My Utmost for His Highest

On the matter of what angels are 'made' of. He didn't make angels of a substance which can be turned into spirits. They ARE simply 'spirit' in constitution, who can appear to look like men in appearance (as well as like what we would recognise as an 'angel').

Hebrews 1:14 (KJV)

Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Also, you said:

Quote:
-----Therefore if we are seated with Christ we have power and authority to loose angels and spirits of God upon the earth to do war with the enemy.

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The way I would put this is rather that we ask our Father His will, and pray to our Father in terms He gives us through the Spirit in us. Then, He decides whether to send angels as part of the answer to our prayer.

This way, we never think of the power as being our own. We bring it - the power of God - to bear on situations *only* as we are led by God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)

Can you see the difference?

We are not 'learn'ing in the same way as portrayed in tv dramas about witchcraft or Harry Potter stories portray it. The only thing we must press on to perfect, is the hearing of the word of God in our hearts, in line with scripture - for instance, when Peter kneeled down and prayed before Tabitha was raised from the dead, though we don't know what he prayed. But, I believe he sets us an example of calmness. The power is the Lord's. (Acts 9:40)

I really do hope we are saying the same thing. You make a good statement about our need to lay hold of our birthright as sons of God, and exercise faith as we should. I would suggest that this depends on not only the fact we are born of the Holy Spirit, but also our obedience to the specific leading of the Spirit in actual situations.

You will notice that Jesus very rarely went directly to people. Even the woman with a spirit of infirmity for 18 years, had made the effort to be in a place of worship and was worshipping, despite her hindrances. Amen. This is where Jesus met her. Most other people came to Him or were brought by family or friends. They wanted to be there. The same applies to casting out spirits. The person who is bound by a spirit must want to be free of it, or we render them vulnerable to a worse trouble.

Jarona, on: 2007/7/10 12:03

May God bless you today, so richly.

I fear none but God, have faith in none but God.

I don't write that to refute your post, not at all.

God gave me two eyes, and a mind, and Graced me with the Gift of the Comforter, and those two eyes, I'm going to keep open, awake, as to the times we live in.

demons?....let them shudder in fear at the very mention of the Name of Christ, but Lord God use us as Your Hands, and Your Voice to set the captives free. amen.

much love in Jesus.

Re: "Meth" the name of a demon. - posted by jbexten, on: 2010/12/26 6:58

I know this is a very old post, but I wanted to agree with you on this post. I just watched "World's Most Dangerous Drug" on demand. I decided to google for opinions as to whether meth was the pharmakeia from Revelations. I have been exposed to all kinds of drug users, and meth users seem to be extremely open to demonic strong holds.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2010/12/26 9:22

I know very little about this stuff apart from what I have read, meaning that my personal experience is very limited.

However, I had a very strange experience at the Crises Pregnancy Center one day.

My client was a 30ish lady, single, tested positive to a pregnancy. She appeared clean but she stank terrible. So bad that after she left the odor lingered. In all of our years this has never happened before nor since as long as I was there.

This incident troubled me much until I read where demonic possession can do that. This made sense because she told me about the involvement of her boyfriend in the occult arts. Someone has also said that physical intimacy can result in a spirit transfer between the two participants. If this is true, this may be why the homos and others who are into immorality have such a difficult time walking away from that sin.

Actually, I am almost certain that those who are enslaved to sexual sins are bound by the devil. Their drive to sin is so excessive, far beyond normal. I know of no other explanation to explain why this craving is so strong. When God says do not do it it is for a good reason, one that is NOT subject to negotiation or debate.

Just a few thoughts for whatever it is worth...

BTW, this discussion started because of meth...long rabbit trail here, hope you can find your way back...:-)

ginnyrose

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2010/12/26 9:33

I had a problem linking onto the page given in the lead post. However, after doing a search I did find it.

Here is the current link:

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/meth/>

Re: - posted by twayneb (), on: 2010/12/26 10:31

Hey Robert, I thought Joplin was the Meth capitol of the USA??? :-)

Actually Methamphetamine manufacture and usage is so prevalent in the part of the US that Robert and I are from that it is called the 417 drug, so named for the telephone area code we live in. If you want to get a perspective on the demonic influence of the drug I suggest reading the testimony of Steve Box. His book is called Meth Equals Sorcery. ISBN 0-9679603-0-4. If you google the book you can find his website. He describes his life as a dealer and user. There is truly a door opened to the supernatural through this drug and others. As to demons with names, there have been all sorts of methodologies for deliverance. I recall Derrick Prince and others. Some things were good, some things were flaky. The long and short of it is that demons are real, really inhabit some people, and can torment Christians at times. We as believers have been given authority over them in the name of Jesus. We can exercise that authority. We cannot overrule the authority of choice that another person is making. Some demons have names as we can see Biblically. We do not have to know the names specifically to cast them out. We just command them to go in Jesus name.