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**Two vital messages in this month's newsletter:**

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THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT NEWSLETTER!!! Copy it and give it to those you know. Forward it by email.

## **DO YOU KNOW HOW TO FIGHT USING THE TOOLS AND THE POWER GOD HAS GIVEN YOU?**

**The evil one is right now attacking believers and those close to them with increasing frequency and fury. Are you ready for this?**

In recent months and especially the last few weeks I have noticed with both shock and alarm increasing requests for prayer for situations that are clearly attacks of the enemy. Over the past many years we would from time to time encounter individuals who themselves were being attacked by demons. Normal healing approaches using the scripture and the power the Lord has given us are not all that is needed in such a case. Here we have to order out the demonic beings – e.g., cast out demons. Jesus himself said that in his name believers would cast out demons. He also said believers would do the same things he did while on earth. Casting out demons is one of the things he did.

Over past years these individuals would be encountered from time to time, but not with great frequency. Or a person would be brought to us by another seeking freedom from such an attack for the victim. I remember one such person who had been a high official in one of those well known organizations that is clearly involved with the enemy. He had left, and was now trying to be free of the demons that he had encountered in that organization. I know many of you cannot understand this, but this is a part of the battle of good versus evil just like all the other issues in the gospel.

I remember a case of a woman coming forward at the end of a service. We began ministering, and soon it was clear she was dealing with many demons. Over the course of about an hour many came forward and out. The ministry was straight forward – ordering the demons out in the name of Jesus. But it took time. One by one they came out. I took the approach of asking each his name, and then we cast that one out in the name of Jesus. You would be surprised by their names. Of course, remember, they are all liars.

Once I remember at the end of a small service a woman coming forward who had red eyes. It turned out her entire family were witches and had been for years. She had been trying to get free of that. She had gone to a famous hospital and seen various psychiatrists, to no avail. Well, no wonder. She didn't have a mental problem, although it looked like that to the world. She had a demonic problem. I remember thinking she needs to get far away. She can't go home again.

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Those incidents were every now and then. But now, today, it is rapidly becoming all the time!!! What has happened? What is going on? Old and current partners of the ministry are calling for help. People are calling for help for close family members, those living near and those living far away. Family members are suddenly acting bizarrely.

Born again, spirit-filled believers can recognize people under such attacks. The spiritual gift of discernment is a great help. So too just basic sensitivity to the spiritual realm. Sometimes it is obvious as in some of the examples given above. And sometimes not. But bizarre behavior is always a clue.

Our western world is so in the dark about such things. If I say that most people who attend churches do not know about divine healing, that many churches do not teach the Holy Spirit and the baptism of the Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit, I am of course correct. The overwhelming majority of people who say they are Christians know nothing about the power of the gospel or about divine healing. Well, my experience is that the number that know that demons are real and that actually act on Jesus' words that believers would drive out demons is even smaller.

Do you know that fully half those who say they are Christians do not even believe the devil is real? So of course they do not know the Holy Spirit or the gifts or the power of the full life in Christ. In fact, I would say they are not Christians, because they clearly do not believe Jesus. Accepting Jesus as their Lord is part of being a believer. Jesus himself was tempted by the devil in the desert three times when he began his ministry. Jesus himself spoke several times about the devil and about demons.

No wonder the devil is able to run amok in this world and do such horrors. Yes, we have victory over the evil one and demons in Jesus Christ. But only because of him do we have that power. And only in his name can we do anything to free people from demons. Look at the horror in the world today. I'd say the evil one has pretty frightening power, certainly frightening for those who do not know the Lord.

As we are rushing to the date of the Lord's return, this evil one has his demons out there attacking any of those who are stepping out for the Lord, anyone who is willing to speak up for Jesus. And those attacks may be directly on the believer in financial, physical, or relationship ways; or, if the believer truly knows how to protect himself, the attacks may be on some other family member or friend or a coworker or some other area that will hurt the believer. The devil wants to stop believers from spreading the truths of the Lord.

I have written about how you are to protect yourself using God's gifts. Read our recent October newsletter and our January 2008 newsletter (go to the web site newsletter archives). Get our CD *Fighting Evil!* Watch our four videos on the web site titled *Fighting Evil*.

Also as part of the overall subject, deal with any issues of generational curse or other curses that seem to influence someone or your family. Again, go to our web site and watch the two *Breaking Curses* videos. Pray the prayer I pray at the end of the second one. Request our CD by the same name.

And lastly, if necessary, be ready to confront a direct attack of the evil one on you, your finances, your family, someone close. If at all possible, in Jesus' name order the demons away from the person. Be persistent. It may take more than a few seconds. In doing all this keep your eyes on Jesus. Ideally have one or two other serious believers in Jesus in your presence. Demons know when someone truly knows Jesus and when someone does not. This is not something to be taken and done lightly, but I think it is rapidly becoming an essential step in a Christian's arsenal.

May you be fully equipped with all God has provided for your defense and for your use in fighting the spiritual evil that is spilling out full bore into our world.

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## SO NOW WHERE ARE WE?

So much has happened. So many prophecies fulfilled. Times have gotten more difficult. Now, here we are. What can we expect next? And just how close are we to the final big events? Over several years now we have written about all the Biblical prophecies regarding the last days, the time of the return of the Lord, the “Day of the Lord.” We have noted and explained with scripture and actual events how so many have been fulfilled. I will not write again of that. You can go to many of our past newsletters or listen to our CDs or watch our videos on the web site.

We are past the birth pains Jesus talked about. We are past so many things prophesied to happen – the reestablishment of the nation of Israel, the taking over of Jerusalem by the Jews, the ingathering of the Jews into Israel, fulfillment of so many other individual prophecies such as those relating to hurricanes and earthquakes, the speaking of ancient Hebrew in Israel, the nation of Israel becoming an agricultural success, time speeding up as people go to and fro, advances in technology, terrible things happening throughout the earth, and so on.

So what now? Here are some specific things to look for:

- The signing of a covenant, or perhaps peace agreement, with the nation of Israel that Israel actually seems to believe (see Daniel 9:27). The one responsible for that signing will be the antichrist. That signing will usher in the seven year Tribulation period.
- Around the time the peace agreement is signed, the Lord Jesus will come in the clouds and collect to him there his true believers – whether deceased or not (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Matthew 24:30-31, Mark 13:26-27). Believers get the new glorified bodies (1 Corinthians 15:51-54 ). They then go with the Lord to Heaven, where they stay until they return with him and the rest of the heavenly host to the battle of Armageddon (Revelation 19:14). While they are in Heaven, they will attend the marriage supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:6-9 ).
- The complete destruction of Damascus, the world’s oldest city. No specific date is given in the Bible. But with all that is going on now in Syria, with Russia and Iran and the US and ISIS all involved, it seems likely that some big event is on the horizon. Isaiah 17:1, Amos 1:3-5, and Jeremiah 49:23-27 make it very clear that at some point Damascus is destroyed.
- The Psalm 83 War – This is a war between many Muslim neighbors of Israel and Israel. Included are the Palestinians, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and possibly Iraq. It hasn’t happened yet but all signs point to a soon event of this type. The increasing frequency of terror attacks in Israel eventually will cause the Israeli government to take bolder action than it has thus far.
- The Ezekiel 38 and 39 attack on Israel by a nation to the north thought to be Russia in alliance with Iran, Libya, Turkey, and the Sudan. Look at the increasingly close relationship between Russia and Iran. The players are moving into place for this one. God defends Israel and wipes out the invading forces. I expect this will happen in the first half of the Tribulation, as Ezekiel talks of unwalled villages. In other words, the Israelis are living as if at peace, as they might after the signing of the peace agreement noted above. It takes 7 months for the Israelites to bury the dead attackers. Interestingly, Syria is not mentioned. That could mean the destruction of Damascus noted earlier has occurred. Also note that none of the nations

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identified in Psalm 83 are listed as attackers. This indicates that they too have been taken out or greatly reduced in power in a previous war, likely the Psalm 83 war.

- Increasingly, a one-world government and one-world religion as described in Revelation 13 will come about. Surely you see this happening right before our eyes. Of all the amazing signs we were given in September, the meeting of the pope with the elected leader of the US in the White House, the pope's speech to Congress, and the pope's speech to the United Nations were perhaps the most dramatic and obvious. Symbolically, all together, these were a meeting of the coming false one-world religion with the secular one-world government. They were precedent setting.
- While all this is going on, expect a steadily increasing incursion into people's lives from the government. And expect ever increasing pressure and terrible acts from the muslim world which is being used by the evil one in his efforts to bring about the one-world government. This pouring of muslim refugees into western nations, the result of a very real need for the refugees, instantly increases the muslim presence in western societies. Since muslim families have many more children than other western families, the percentage of muslims in western societies will shoot up quickly. Islam is not just a religion; it is also a political system, a government, one that is terribly oppressive and intolerant, as those slaughtered in the Middle East or living under Neanderthal regulations in several areas can readily attest.
- During the Tribulation period for a time of three and a half years, two witnesses thought by some to be Moses and Elijah testify in Jerusalem about the Lord and the gospel message (Revelation 11). They have power and cannot be touched until they are finished testifying. At that time they are killed, but in three days they come back to life and are called up to heaven.
- And finally, **ARMEGGEDON** (Revelation 19 and Zechariah 14). This is the war that immediately precedes Jesus' setting up his rule from Jerusalem. It occurs at the end of the seven year tribulation period. The nations of the world in opposition to God go to the valley of Jehosophat to fight against Israel and against God. There they are destroyed by Jesus as he leads an army consisting of his called, chosen, and faithful followers. Revelation notes that everyone in the army opposing Jesus is killed.

So now what? Very simple. Keep your eyes on Jesus. Stay alert as he warned (Luke 21:36). Watch that you are not deceived, as he warned (Matthew 24:4). Remember, the god of this world – the devil – has blinded the minds of unbelievers (2 Corinthians 4:4). And remember too, Jesus is coming soon (Revelation 22:20).

*Always remember to stay alert! The Lord really is coming soon. May you live in the blessings of God always.*

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