

4. What about Believers & Demon Possession?

Fred Dickason, Angels, Elect and Evil he writes, "A genuine Christian may become possessed, at least to some degree, even to the point where they speak with strange voices or in foreign languages....Demonization is always presented in the Bible as a spirit's inhabiting a human." "The first and most basic result of deliverance of the demonized is the removal of the wicked spirits that are inhabiting the person."

What Demons Can Do To Saints, Merill Unger, "Only as a believer fails to walk by faith does he fall into sin, which if it is not confessed and curbed may ultimately result in the forfeiture of the Spirit's power to shield him from demonic invasion.

The Authentication of the Son of Man

4:31-6:11

Authority Over the Demonic Realm Pt. 1

4:31-37

Introduction:

- ① Jesus has authority over the demonic realm, the realm of spiritual darkness. 31-37
- ② Jesus has authority over a fever/illness 38-39
- ③ Jesus has authority over sickness & demons 40-41
- ④ Jesus has authority to Preach 42-44
- ⑤ Jesus has authority over Nature 5:1-11
- ⑥ Jesus has authority over Leprosy 5:12-16

I. The **Demonstration of His Authority** 4:31-5:16.

A. Jesus Has Authority/Power *Over the Demonic Realm* 31-37.

- ① The teaching in Capernaum
- ② The Shuddering of the Demon.
- ③ The Healing of the Possessed Man.
- ④ The Marveling of the People.

1. The Fall of Satan

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:1-13; 1Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27. As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

2. Words that are Descriptive of Demon Possession.

a. "One having a demon.." or "unclean spirit"

The word is used 16 times in the NT, Mt. 11:18, Mark- 3:30;5:15;7:25;9:17, Luke- 4:33;7:33; 8:27. John 7:20;8:48,49,52;10:20, and Acts 8:7;16:16;19:13.

b. "One who is Demonized"

13 times in the NT. Mt. 4:24;8:16,28,33;9:32;12:22;15:22. Mark- 1:32;5:15,16,18. Luke 8:36 and John 10:21.

Demons may influence toward false doctrine-

How does Scripture describe this control?

1. Demons may use the persons vocal chords.
2. Demons may keep the person from speaking, blindness
3. Demons may enable superior strength
4. Demons may promote nakedness
5. Demons may cause self mutilation
6. Demons may produce insanity
7. Demonized/Possessed were indwelt by at least one demon.
Mt. 8:16,32;9:33;12:22-24;Mark 1:34;5:8,13
8. The Demonized will have a personality change.

9. A Supernatural knowledge/clairvoyance

c. "One with an Unclean spirit"

3. Lessons from the Lord Mt. 12:43-45

5 Observations-

1. Demonization does involve the indwelling of a demon, or demons.
2. Demons desire to indwell-
3. Demons do not easily find rest 43
4. Demons may leave or come back at their own will.
5. Those who were possessed are more susceptible for renewed possession.

