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DEDICATION

This book is firstly dedicated to His Majesty, the Most High God, King of kings, Lord of lords, my blessed Saviour, Father, friend and deliverer, the Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be all the glory and praise for ever. Without you Lord I would be truly helpless.

Secondly, I dedicate this book to all of my five lovely children, their dear husbands and wives, and my nineteen grand children and my four great grand children. You have all been such a blessing to me. I love you all.

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INTRODUCTION

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. [Ephesians 1:3].

Many saints were confused about doctrine. I spent my precious moments digging into the word. What happened? The Lord began to open up the scriptures to me. I was pastoring, and I needed to know the word if I were to lead the people in God's way. I refused to listen to man. Many leaders tried to get me to do what they were doing. I decided I wanted to do what God was saying, so I studied.

It was a Sabbath day and I was studying the scriptures with the saints. As we studied and read from the books of Ephesians, Philipians and Colossians the Lord opened up the most precious treasure the church could ever receive, the Wonderful Name of Jesus. People were coming into our meetings and as we called out the name of Jesus, many would fall over and scream, demons would cry out and we would silence them in the name of Jesus. We needed the revelation of this great name and the Lord was giving it to us. What gladness and joy we were having as the Lord began to open up our eyes to see this great name and to understand what it means.

The name of Jesus is the most awesome, glorious, majestic, unique, precious, adorable, beautiful, gracious, wonderful name in the entire universe. When you say Jesus, you say peace, comfort, unparalleled love, trustworthiness, faithfulness, goodness, joy, mercy, kindness, tenderness, and I could go on, but words would fail to express and describe the greatness of

this holy name. The name of Jesus stands incomparable, supreme, unique, peerless, inimitable, august, unrivalled amongst the sons of men and angels. There is no name like the name of Jesus anywhere in God's creation. Men and angels bow at the sound of the name of Jesus. Satan and his demons tremble at the sound of this powerful name. It merits honour in heaven, in earth and under the earth.

NOW REMEMBER TO DO THIS:

At the end of every chapter you read: close your eyes in meditation for 3 minutes and say: JESUS! JESUS! JESUS! JESUS! JESUS! JESUS! [seven times] speak his name slowly and experience God's awesome presence

- Every sickness will leave your body*
- Every problem will go*

What a deliverance! Praise the Lord

CHAPTER 1

HOW THE LORD SAVED ME AND EMPOWERED ME TO DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL AND DELIVER MY HOME IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS

St John 3: 3, 6–7 3. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. 6. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

I attended a mainstream nominal church where I heard about God but very little about Jesus. Prayers were said in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Services at church seemed very empty and my spirit yearned for more of the God I was hearing so little about. Services lasted for an hour, sometimes an hour and a quarter. The sermons were not doing much for me and I would fall asleep as soon as the preacher came on the platform. Going to church on Sunday mornings became a routine, a good habit, rather than something exciting to look forward to.

We did not have altar calls and I was not taught about the plan of salvation. I was, therefore, not born again. Praise God, Jesus had his eyes on me. The boredom, the emptiness, began to register in my spirit. I was a church attender only, I did not know God personally and I began to yearn for something more. I needed some joy, I thought, although I was not altogether sure what I needed. However, I felt that there had to be more to serving God than falling asleep in church. At that time we did not have weekly bible studies

in our church and only small portions of scripture were read as the Sunday lessons. I did not think at the time that I could have searched the scriptures myself and, in any case, I would not have known where to search for scriptures that could have helped me.

I began to search for help. I did not know what to look for in bookshops as I was not sure what I needed. All I knew was that my emptiness needed sorting out. Jesus is so wonderful, he knows how to meet our needs.

I was in the habit of slimming and found in a national newspaper an advertisement of a place where they were doing a course on a slimming diet. This would be fine for me, I thought. I did not have to take pills or go on some crash diet or eat boring foods. I could eat properly, the right meals, and off would go the fat. I sent for the diet course of 12 lessons. This almost turned the family into vegetarians, but the diet was good. We learned how to eat healthy foods. I did notice, however, that the course had a sort of religious feel about it. Scriptures from the bible of how people ate were quoted. There was teaching on how people ate before and after the flood. Scriptures were always quoted and I felt encouraged to search these out for myself.

Genesis 9:1,3–4 1. And God blessed Noah and his sons and said unto them, Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. 3. Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you: even as the green herb have I given you all things. 4. But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

I found the course different, bible-based and interesting. At the end of the course I was awarded a certificate and offered a bible course if I were interested. For me this was an answer

to prayers. In my own simple way I had said, "I need more of God." I promptly sent for the course of 12 lessons. One of the first things they taught in the course was that a person needs to be born again. St John 3:3. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. I grabbed hold of this word. The Holy Spirit opened it up to my heart. [Needless to say, the organization that sent me the diet course was a Christian organization which God had used in this way to find me]. I was excited and I was reading whole chapters instead of the one verse of scripture needed for the particular study. My spiritual thirst was being quenched. Matthew 5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled.

I quickly completed the course, at the end of which I was given a certificate. There were more courses and I requested them. I was finishing the courses so quickly the organization asked me to slow down. They did not think I could be understanding the studies well because I was running them through far too quickly, but I was. My hunger was being satisfied. I did all the courses they had and they gave me certificates and offered to lend me Christian books from their lending library. To God be all the glory. A book called Daniel and the Revelation fulfilled God's will for my life. As I studied this book somebody touched me and I have never been the same again. I was truly called of God into his holy service. I felt the hand of God touch me physically that night. The next day everything seemed different. I was translated out of the kingdom of darkness into God's kingdom of light.

So you say, "but you were going to church before?" "Yes, I say, but I was not saved." Leaders need to teach the scrip-

tures and bring people to a living relationship with Christ. Romans 10:13–14 13. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. 14. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher.

I was saved and the Lord led me to a prayer meeting in the home of a Pentecostal pastor and his wife on the road on which I lived. This couple had dropped an invitation through my letter-box some years previously inviting me to their Friday evening house prayer meeting. My spirit was not alive to this. I was at the time quite content with the nominal church I was attending. Now that the Lord was dealing with me I needed them. On my way from work I knocked at their door. “Do you still have those Friday evening prayer meetings”, I asked. “O yes, we do”, the church mother replied. She was, to say the least, excited because she had been praying for years that the Lord would save me and my family.

It was Friday evening. I rushed home from work, did a quick bit of housework, sorted out the family, put the younger children in bed, left my eldest daughter in charge and went down the road to the prayer meeting. The church mother, [the pastor’s wife] was very pleased to see me and made me feel very comfortable. The saints began to arrive. I was one of the first ones there. The house was full and the meeting started.

There were songs, testimonies and prayers. People sang, prayed and testified in a way I had not known. They prayed loudly in the name of Jesus and seemed to be calling this name very often. They spoke about him as a great saviour and friend, and they all spoke of Jesus in a very personal

way, like someone they knew who communicated with them, and who was close by them. I was beginning to relate to that and I wanted more.

Two ministers were present who spoke the word of God. One spoke from Romans 8:1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit. The other spoke from Genesis chapter 7 and highlighted verses 2–4 and 9–10. Verse 2. Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female. 3. Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of the earth. 4. For yet seven days, I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth. 9. There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah. 10. And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. He drove home the point, “Animals went into the ark and man was left outside, you need a saviour.” These words found their way into my spirit and I have never forgotten them.

After the prayer meeting, I asked the pastor’s wife which university the preachers attended. She lovingly advised me that they had not been to any university to learn this, but that they ministered by the power of the Holy Spirit. I was impressed and blessed and could not wait to attend the Sunday evening meeting where I was told, I would hear even greater preaching. In faithfulness I attended my nominal church to teach Sunday School and looked forward to the evening service at the Pentecostal church. There they did

everything in the name of the Lord Jesus. The anointing of the Holy Spirit was there and I wept my way to the altar where they prayed for me in the name of Jesus. I had found Jesus, and the devil and his demons would be in trouble with me because the Spirit of Jesus was now in me. I went back to my old church, spoke to the minister [a deaconess], explained all that the Lord was doing in my life and advised her I was going to a ministry where the Lord could fulfil his will for my life. She did not want to see me leave and they suggested I attended their bible college. Obviously, with the zeal I had, that would not help. The name of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit was not manifest in this nominal field and I had to go.

Only two or three weeks had passed and I was doing my nightly studies and prayers as usual. I was praying with all my heart when it appeared the sky had burst open, and a down pouring of the Holy Spirit filled the room. I burst into speaking with new tongues of fire. The family called the pastor's wife who came and helped me pray through the night. I was filled with fire to defeat the works of darkness. The name of Jesus and the Holy Ghost fire was powerful in me and the works of the devil would now be broken over my home and family.

In my books, "Christ's Hand on my life" and "Why I despise witchcraft" I outlined how witchcraft had had a hold on my home and family. In the nominal church I was helpless to drive away these demons. I was not born again whilst I was there, but I was now born again and filled with the Holy Ghost [power from on high – Luke 24:49] and the Lord was using my life. I was giving prophetic utterances at my new church and they were all coming to pass. I was praying for my family and they were being delivered. I was witnessing

to people about the love of Jesus and they were responding. Christ was in my life. Satan and his cohorts did not like what they were seeing. They knew the power in the name of Jesus and they were well aware that their work would be over in the lives of people who had the understanding of whom they had become in Christ Jesus.

I was set to drive out the witchcraft demons out of my home, to allow my family to have undisturbed sleep at nights and to bring them and multitudes more, by the power of the Holy Spirit and the powerful name of Jesus, to a living relationship with Christ. Satan decided to say No to this.

I came in from work as usual, did the household chores, got the children off to bed, did my bible studies, prayed and went to bed. It was perhaps between 2 and 3 o'clock in the early hours of the morning. The demons had come to do a quick work and finish off their evil plan. They saw what the Lord was doing and knew that if I continued to do the things I was doing they would be in trouble. As I slept I could feel a strangulating feeling. I was now only half-asleep. I tried to get up but could not. I was being pinned down on the bed. It was a struggle. I tried calling on Jesus but my mouth was heavy. I began to call, Jesus, Jesus, in my heart. To God be all the glory. I was now awake and jumped out of bed. I began to quote scriptures I did not know I had memorized. They seemed to have been hidden in my heart whilst I was reading them. Psalm 119:11. Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee. I called upon Jesus and felt what I can only describe as a lamp-pole dropping in front of me powerfully. I felt myself jump and I stood up firmly, legs ajar and I felt as if I could have moved a mountain. What followed was a battle against the powers of darkness. In the mighty

name of Jesus, I quoted scriptures: Psalms 23, 91, 46, 27; Isaiah 59:19; Luke 10: 18–19; and various other scripture verses.

I drove out the demons in the name of Jesus. At the sound of the name of Jesus they had to go. When one of the demons ran for cover under my stairs, I said, “Out you go, in Jesus’ name”, and it went. I was being taught by the Holy Spirit the great power that was in the name of Jesus. I was being made to understand that satan has to obey when the name of Jesus is being called. After the battle I felt released, the atmosphere was cleansed and I returned to being an ordinary person, although I have since come to realize that as Christians, with Christ living in us, we are never ordinary people.

When I called on Jesus and spoke his word, the invisible pole that dropped from heaven was the power of Christ. When you are backed up, call the name of Jesus. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. The name of Jesus coming from a sanctified heart is power and deliverance.

As I was sent by the Lord to minister, and as the Lord set up his church and appointed me to do his work, I found that as we praised the Lord and worshipped, people would be drawn into the meetings. As we spoke and ministered in the name of the Lord Jesus, demons often trembled as they came out of many. Others would scream and fall onto the floor. We got good results as we bound and drove the demons out in the name of Jesus. I was soon to find that as the leader of the church, and coming from a nominal Christian background, the need was there for me to explore, from scripture, why the use of the name of Jesus was so important for the Church of God, and the power contained in this wonderful name.

Psalm 23:1–6 1. The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. 2. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters: 3. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4. Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. 5. Thou preparest a table before in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. 6. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 91:1–16 1. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God in him will I trust. 3. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. 4. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. 5. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; 6. Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. 7. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. 8. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. 9. Because thou hast made the Lord which is my refuge, even the most High thy habitation. 10. There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. 11. For he shall give his angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways. 12. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. 13. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. 14. Because

he has set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high because he hath known my name. 15. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honour him. 16. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

Psalm 46:1–11 1. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. 2. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; 3. Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. 4. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. 5. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early. 6. The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved; he uttered his voice, the earth melted. 7. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. 8. Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations he hath made in the earth. 9. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire. 10. Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. 11. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Psalm 27:1–14 1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? 2. When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. 3. Though an host should encamp against me my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. 4. One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell

in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. 5. For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock. 6. And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy, I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord. 7. Hear O Lord when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me and answer me. 8. When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek. 9. Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. 10. When my father and my mother forsake me then the Lord will take me up. 11. Teach me thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path, because of my enemies. 12. Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty. 13. I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. 14. Wait on the Lord be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Isaiah 59:19 So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him.

Isaiah 43:2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shall not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Jeremiah 1:8, 12 Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord. 12. Then said the Lord unto me, Thou has well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

Luke 10:18–19 18. And he said unto them, I beheld satan as lightening fall from heaven. 19. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy...

JESUS JESUS JESUS

CHAPTER 2

MAN SINNED

Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

I came to realize that the greatest power to defeat the works of darkness and set the captives free was in the name of Jesus and that I would need to teach this to the young ministers so they could work effectively in the ministry the Lord had given us. I needed to know why this name was so powerful and I needed revelation from God. The word of God would be my best source of revelation and I decided to read and study the scriptures on this. I would need the Lord's anointing to minister this great name.

Genesis 3:1–15 1. Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field, which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2. And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. 4. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 5. For God doth know, that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. 6. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat,

and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. 7. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 8. And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden. 9. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, where art thou? 10. And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. 11. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? 12. And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. 13. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me and I did eat. 14. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, because thou has done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; Upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

God made man a perfect being. Jesus was the one the Father used to create all things. St John 1:1 In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the word was God. Genesis 1:3–4 3. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. 4. And God saw the light that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness. All of God's creation was good. In Colossians chapter 1 the bible declares that it was Jesus who did the creating. Colossians 1:15–17 15. Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every

creature: 16. For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him. 17. And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. When man sinned, therefore, it was Jesus whom God used to deliver man from the kingdom of the devil. God had delivered the care of man into the hands of Jesus whom he used to create man, Jesus being the word of God. St John 3:35–36 35. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. 36. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

What really happened in the Garden of Eden? Satan hated God and he hated man, God's masterpiece, with a bitter hatred. God was out of his reach so he decided to express his bitterness by attacking man.

Man was made by God to enjoy God's best as long as he was obedient to the word of the Lord, but man was also given the freedom of choice and man could choose to be disobedient if he so desired. Genesis 2:16–17 16. And the Lord God commanded the man saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: 17. But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. Today the devil is doing what he did at the beginning and has always done, and will continue to do until the end of the age, that is, to deceive man and bring about man's alienation from his loving heavenly Father.

The bible declares that man was in fellowship with God until he sinned by disobeying the word of God. The Father

did not force man to obey, although he lovingly reminded the woman of his commandment. Genesis 3:2–3 2. And the woman said unto the serpent; We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: 3. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. The woman was reminded of the word of God by the spirit of God so that she could have said No to the devil if she wanted to. God's word was her armour, but she put it away from her by choice and listened to the lying voice of the deceiver. Genesis 3:4–5 4. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die. 5. For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. I believe that if the couple could have seen the state of the human race from then on, they would have driven the devil away. Their disobedience has plunged the human race into every kind of wickedness. The bible tells us that some of the evils had not even entered the mind of God. Jeremiah 7:31 And they have built the high places of Tophet, which is in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my heart.

The Lord placed a curse not only on the serpent (the devil) who tempted the couple to sin, he also cursed the couple and the things he had given them to enjoy. Sorrow and suffering would be mixed with the enjoyment. Every man would be required to give an account unto God for his sins. Romans 14:10, 12 10. ... for we shall all stand before the judgement seat of Christ. 12. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

God dealt with the sinners one by one, starting with the serpent, the instigator of evil. God cursed him, having in mind the long term plan of taking back from satan the dominion he had taken from the couple by deceit. The heel of the captain of our salvation and his church would be bruised, but Jesus would bruise the serpent's head and destroy his power. In this way, all those who feared God would be brought back into fellowship with their creator. Genesis 3:14–15 14. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life. 15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

The devil received a deadly wound at the cross of Calvary but he and his demons are still in the business of bruising the heel of Christ and his church, although the devil is well aware of the fact that the battle that has brought man back into fellowship with God has been won forever, praise the wonderful name of Jesus. The bible has laid down this firm promise that the gates of hell shall not prevail against the church. Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

The woman was cursed. She would have problems with child-bearing and her husband to whom she should be a help mate, would rule over her.

The man was cursed. He listened to the voice of his wife, who had listened to the lying voice of the serpent (the devil).

The man was made the head of his wife by God and he should have led her away from evil instead of following her into it. He was cursed with hard labour and even the earth was cursed for his sake. Finally death was pronounced upon him by God. Genesis 3:17–19 And unto Adam he said, because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life. 18. Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; 19. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken, for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

God saw man's downfall before the foundation of the world and had made provision for his restoration. Man's fall would not be the end. Jesus created man and Jesus would restore him. Revelation 5:5 And one of the elders saith unto me, weep not: behold the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof. The Lion of the tribe of Judah is our Jesus.

Why do we need to understand the need to use this great name, Jesus? It is this great name, Jesus, that delivered us from the power of satan and restored us to the first dominion.

1. None was found worthy

Revelation 5:1–5 1. And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. 2. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof. 3. And no man in heaven, nor

in earth, neither under the earth was able to open the book, neither to look thereon. 4. And I wept much because no man was found worthy, to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon. 5. And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

That book contained every need of man. Those seals had all the sufferings Jesus would encounter to release man from the kingdom of satan and set him free, but the book had to be taken out of the hand of the Father and opened and the seven seals had to be loosed. Why was no one coming forward to take the book? To deliver man was out of the reach of angels. They were capable of sinning. They were holy but they could sin if they so wished. In those seals were bound up far too much suffering. The price to pay for sin was too high. Not only so, it was Jesus who created man and he alone had the perfection to release man from the clutches of the wicked one. God could not fully trust another angel. Satan, formerly named Lucifer was an exalted angel who fell into sin. He had a very elevated position in heaven at one time.

How could God trust to deliver into the hands of another angel such a mammoth task, the task of delivering man from his fallen state. God saw the fall of man from the beginning and Jesus was already prepared. It was not given to the angels and that is why none was found worthy. The lamb typified in Exodus chapter 12, the passover lamb, was Jesus. That crimson thread ran right the way through the scriptures.

Exodus 12:3–5 3. Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month, they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers,

a lamb for an house: 4. And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. 5. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats.

The lamb had to be pure and a male because this was fore-ordained by God. When John saw Jesus coming he shout-ed out: “Behold the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” [St John 1:29]

In heaven’s records Jesus was the one prepared to deliver man and until he came to earth his name was not revealed, although he had always worked on man’s behalf. Jesus has travelled with man down through the ages until he came to earth to deliver him forever.

2. But he was wounded for our transgressions

Isaiah 53:1–5 1. Who hath believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? 2. For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. 3. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised and we esteemed him not. 4. Surely, he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Jesus had to do the job himself. There was a bruising, a wounding, a chastisement to undertake and no-one else could pay this price for sin. That book and those seals contained the terrible rejection, sorrow, grief and ill-treatment Jesus would have to go through to give us his name, those of us who believe the report.

3. Immanuel – God with us

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore, the Lord himself shall give you a sign, Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son and shall call his name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:21–23 21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. 22. Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet saying, 23. Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. The angels would be God if they took that book. A saint would be God if he took that book. It had to be Jesus, yes, Jesus. Jesus is God. God made man and only God could restore man. The life-giving blood was in Jesus alone. The blood of animals could not give life. The blood of animals, in the Old Testament covered man's sins. The blood of Jesus Christ in the New Testament takes away man's sins and gives him life. Jesus' blood gives life. No one else would be holy enough to shut up the accusations of the devil. God himself, in Christ, had to put on a body like the body of those he would die for and come down from heaven. Hebrews 10:5–7 5. Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me. 6. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. 7. Then said I, Lo, I come

(in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will, O God. God's will is that you be delivered from the kingdom of the devil, and you can be, as you read this book.

Sister L's Testimony

Jesus really does deliver. I had many problems. I sometimes prayed but my prayers did not seem to provide me with the deliverance I needed. I had difficulties with my son. My husband verbally abused me, I had no job. My applications for work over a period of one year all received a 'no' reply and I became very depressed.

My friend, Sister T rang me one Sunday morning and told me to quickly tune in to a radio broadcast and listen to Apostle Lake as she ministered on the theme "There is power in the blood of Jesus." Apostle Lake spoke words of wisdom which seemed to have been directed straight at me. I was the woman who had the difficult son and I was the person in the kitchen crying. She suggested, on the air, that I place my hand on the radio and she prayed for me. I have never been the same. Things have got, not just better, but excellent.

The following Thursday evening, I attended the prayer fellowship Apostle Lake runs and she prayed over all my needs. Victory, praise the Lord, victory in the name of Jesus is now mine. My son has changed his ways, and now loves and respects me. My husband no longer abuses me with filthy language, but speaks words of love to me. I was offered two jobs in response to applications and I am now employed. [I chose the job best suited to my needs].

At this ministry I have been taught to shout out the name of Jesus in the face of satan and his cohorts and Apostle Lake has taught me to plead the blood of Jesus. Obviously, my depression has gone and I am very happy. Thank God for Jesus. I am now a member of Apostle Lake's ministry. I look forward to the day when my family and relatives will all be saved. My twin sons also belong to Apostle Lake's ministry. Praise the Lord.

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CHAPTER 3

THE DEVIL OPENED NOT THE HOUSE OF HIS PRISONERS

Isaiah 14:12–17 12. How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13. For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north; 14. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. 16. They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; 17. That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?

If you should speak to ex-prisoners they would tell you how awful it had been for them when they could not go in and out as they wished; they felt bound and helpless. Somebody was holding the keys to their dwelling place and they had to do as they were told. The people who had responsibilities for holding those keys told the prisoners what they did, when and how. When that first couple disobeyed the word of God and sinned against the Lord, they gave their keys to freedom to satan who took full advantage of the keys and kept the prison house fully locked without any intention of opening it. The dungeon into which man sold himself was dark, filthy and very unhealthy.

The bible declares that satan got 'beside himself' at a certain point in time. His beauty and position got the better of him, pride filled his heart and he fell into rebellion. He had a certain amount of rulership to his advantage. He was a prince, son of the most High God, but in his pride he decided that was not enough. He might have been ruling on earth at one time, because he said "I will ascend into heaven" [Isaiah 14:13]. He told himself that he would exalt his throne above the stars of God and that he would be like the most High. His plan was to dethrone God and sit upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north. The word makes it plain and clear that satan has been '..... cut down to the ground which didst weaken the nations'.

Concerning weakening the nations, this can be seen everywhere. Man was created with perfect health and strength. He had the blessings of God upon him. He was clothed with the holiness of God. He was given dominion over the fish of the sea, over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth [Genesis 1:28]. When man sinned he lost the dominion to satan and is now afraid of the creatures over which God had given him dominion. That is weakness.

The germs and diseases that weaken the nations are innumerable. I will attempt to name just a few: cancers and tumours, AIDS, diabetes, high blood pressure, fibroids, the various blood diseases, e.g. leukaemia, sickle cell disease, various types of fevers, skin diseases, heart diseases, all the strokes and various bone diseases, liver and kidney diseases and such like. Many of these are incurable killer diseases. They attack old and young, rich and poor alike. When Jesus walked the earth the people ran to meet him in order to get

help. Satan had held them in the prison house, weak and bound. There were many poor people around by the time Jesus came to earth. They did not have money to pay the doctors and those who paid had spent all they had and were still ill. Satan kept their prison house of sickness locked.

Mark 5:25–29 25. And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years, 26. And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, 27. When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind and touched his garment. 28. For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. 29. And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

If we turn our eyes and look around the world, we will see the witchcraft, satanism and idolatry, pulling man down to the bottom of the pit, but thank God, the word of God has given man hope. The darkness seemed very great but the bible says: Isaiah 14:15–16 15. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. 16. They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms?

Jesus said: St Luke 10:18–19 18. I beheld satan as lightning fall from heaven. 19. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

God sees ahead at all times and satan's plan to overthrow the holy kingdom of God had failed before it began. Revelation 12: 7–9 7. And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought

and his angels, 8. And prevailed not; neither was there place found anymore in heaven, 9. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil and satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Satan and his angels lost the battle and it is forever lost. Jesus, the Christ, has seen to that. The old serpent is still deceiving the world but the church has been given the power to keep him under control. Thank God for Jesus.

Ezekiel 28:12b–18 12. ...Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13. Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in the day that thou wast created. 14. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. 17. Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. 18. Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thy iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

Satan was created as Lucifer, son of the morning [Isaiah 14:12]. The word states he was full of wisdom and beauty

and God had made him so. He was created a beautiful angel with music inside of him. He was gifted in music. He had a special anointing to stand in the presence of the Lord. Like all of God's creation he was allowed freedom of choice. He saw himself as far too wise, beautiful and talented to continue to be obedient to his creator. In fact, he saw himself as being able to rule better than Jesus, who created him. Not only did his jealousy and wickedness corrupt him, it contaminated one-third of the angels. I believe those angels stopped looking to God and began looking to Lucifer. They had made a grave mistake, he dragged them down with him.

Is there a lesson to be learned from the above? Yes. We must keep our eyes on the Lord and on no-one else. Why? Because they are capable of falling, like Lucifer and when they do, we are likely to go down with them. At some point in time those fallen angels would have realized that satan (his name was changed) was a liar, that they were mistaken, but it would have been too late. They would have already been corrupted and cast out from the holy presence of the Lord.

The prophecies foretell that satan's battle against God, to overthrow Jesus, had been lost even before he started his rebellion. God saw Lucifer's pride and his fall, he saw the war he would start in heaven and satan's destruction was already settled in heaven. Ezekiel 28:18b ...and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

Matthew 25:41 ... Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. Satan's plans to take over the Lord's rulership was defeated before the foundation of the world and his doom was settled. Revelation 20:10

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Man was doomed to die, but thank God for Jesus who has loosed man from the bondage of sin and death. Had it not been for the man called Jesus, had it not been for the old rugged cross, had it not been for the place called Mount Calvary, then forever our souls would be lost.

Matthew 4:16 The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. The world was in gross darkness when Jesus came. He brought light, and hope for the hopeless. He cleansed the leper, raised the dead, opened the eyes of the blind, those who were paralysed walked, the insane was made sane, the unsaved was saved, the weak received strength, the troubled received peace. Colossians 1:20 And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth or things in heaven. Jesus brought the dead back to life. If they were physically dead, he brought them back to life and if they were spiritually dead he gave them life.

St John 11:43 And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus come forth.

St John 4:10, 13–14 10. Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. 13. Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: 14. But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him

shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

Jesus has sent the church out to continue this great mission. Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. Matthew 10:7–8 And as ye go preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. 8. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give. Whilst Jesus was on earth, he sent the disciples on the mission field and they returned with this report; “Lord even the devils are subject unto us through thy name” [Luke 10:17]. It goes to say that when Jesus was sending out his disciples without his physical presence, he sent them with his name. The name of Jesus represented Jesus then and was feared by satan and the demons, by sicknesses and diseases, and by all problems. Today the name of Jesus is even more feared by the enemies of the Lord because Christ has since died and paid the price for our sins and sufferings. This is why everything we say or do must be said and done in the mighty name of Jesus.

Sister M’s testimony [paraphrased]

I had been attending Apostle Lake’s ministry on and off for a while. The Lord was speaking to my heart but I was disobedient. There were certain issues in my life which I thought needed resolving before I could make a full commitment to follow the Lord. I would be attending the meetings until it was time for the church to conduct another baptism; I would disappear and make myself unavailable until after the baptism. The Lord kept speaking to me and I decided to respond.

A baptism was organized for a Sabbath morning. I slept over the idea and the hand of the Lord Jesus was heavy upon me. Without any pressure from anyone, I woke up very early that Sabbath morning and rang a loving Christian sister who often rang to encourage me. "I am going to have my water baptism today, can you please pick me up?" Needless to say she was overjoyed.

I got dressed very quickly and waited for her. The car arrived and she drove me to the baptismal pool. The service had already started and other candidates were being baptized. The time came for me to step in that water and the Lord touched me in a very special way. I came up out of the water with the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon me and I have never been the same. I used to have a very 'down' feeling. Praise God, this has gone. Words fail to express the inner joy that I have. I am very happy and excited about what the Lord is doing in my life.

I now spend much time in fasting and prayer and I have wonderful fellowship with the Lord. Jesus Christ is my Lord. I was baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus and I have taken on his wonderful name. I can identify with the woman of Samaria. I have left all to follow Jesus. I love him, he is precious. I want to do work for the Lord and I am asking him to show me what to do, I am willing.

St John 4:15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw. I have drank of that living water and I am willing to tell others about it.

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CHAPTER 4

WHEN THE FULNESS OF TIME WAS COME

Galatians 4:4–5 4. But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his son, made of a woman, made under the law. 5. To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

Satan and his demons had caused havoc and devastation amongst the sons of men. The world was in gross darkness. On occasions the Lord wiped out mankind.

Genesis 6: 12–13 12. And God looked upon the earth, and behold it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. 13. And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold I will destroy them with the earth.

Genesis 19:24–25 24. Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven. 25. And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.

Jesus was foreordained by God to appear on earth in human form to take away sin by the sacrifice of himself, and the time had come for Jesus to take over completely from Satan and his demons and overturn his dark domain. Things had to change, but in God's time. God had no pleasure in destroying man and he made provision to deliver man himself. 2 Corinthians 5:19. To wit that God was in Christ, reconciling the world

unto himself. Matthew 1:18–25 18. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. 19. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. 20. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. 21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins. 22. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, 23. Behold a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. 24. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: 25. And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name Jesus.

The time had come when God would take on flesh and manifest himself amongst men to rescue the entire human race once and for all from the bondage of sin and the devil. God's plan was to restore man to his first estate and put the devil and his angels under man's feet. The time had come, in the plan of God when Jesus would free man from the world, the flesh and the devil, and raise up, and leave a church which would exercise rulership in the name of Jesus, bind the demons and bring the devil's plan for man to a standstill. God's will was to release man from the clutches of satan, who for centuries had kept man in captivity to sickness and disease, oppression, depression, confusion, filthiness of the flesh, corruption of the spirit, soul and body. The time had come when Jesus would

choose a group of men and equip them with anointing to break yokes of every kind. They would go around with him for some three years to receive training for the ministry.

Whilst Jesus walked the earth he operated in great faith and taught the kind of faith that his opponents could not deny. They saw miracles, signs and wonders that no-one else had ever done and although they hated him, the love he showed caused some of the religious leaders to become his disciples, secretly.

St John 19:38 And after this, Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came, therefore, and took the body of Jesus.

From the time man sinned to the time Jesus came satan had a great time. He knew about the prophecy in Genesis 3:15 but he did not know how God would bring this to pass. With the men of the East coming to pay homage to the Christ child, and the star leading them, the devil realized he was in for a battle, although he did not know how the battle would end. Satan did all he could whilst Jesus was a baby to get rid of him. Why? The devil knows the power of God. He cannot tell how God will work at any time and he often watches circumstances and then guesses at what he thinks God might do.

The eyes of the Lord was upon this special child called Jesus. Herod [a disciple of satan] called the wise men and inquired of them what time the star appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem to search for the child and bring him news. His decision was to kill the child.

God was watching carefully and warned the wise men not to return to king Herod. Matthew 2:7–8, 12 7. Then Herod when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. 8. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. 12. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

God's will be done! Jesus was here for a purpose. Herod was so angry when the wise men did not return to him, he ordered all the baby boys of 2 years old and under to be killed, in the hope that Jesus would be included. Obviously, he was not too worried that many innocent lives would be lost, as long as Jesus was killed. Jeremiah 31:15 Thus saith the Lord; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not. [read also Matthew 2:18]. The Lord foresaw this and preparation was already made for the child's deliverance. When the wise men had left for home the Lord had told Joseph in a dream to take the young child and his mother and flee into Egypt until the Lord should speak to Joseph again. Joseph did as he was commanded and remained in Egypt until the death of Herod.

Matthew 2:13–15 13. And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth unto Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. 14. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt. 15. And was there until the death

of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son. Satan lost the battle to kill Jesus in his infancy. There is, however, not much told in the scriptures about Jesus' life from this time until he was 12 years old. We read in Luke 2:40. And the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

Jesus was strong in spirit and he was wise. This was manifested whilst he was in discussion with the doctors of the law at the temple in Jerusalem. Although still young [12 years old], the mission he was on could not be hidden. The bible says that his parents were returning from the passover feast in Jerusalem and had travelled for a day without realizing that Jesus was not with them. They thought he was with relatives, only to find out that Jesus was not in their company. His parents returned to Jerusalem searching for him. This incident must have been rather worrying for them. Mary knew the child was special, so did Joseph, but I believe they did not understand the depth of his mission. Thank God, after three days, they found him in the temple amongst doctors of the law, asking and answering questions. All who heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

Luke 2: 46–47 46. And it came to pass, that after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions. 47. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

The word tells us that Jesus, at age 30 years, was again on the scene. John the Baptist was preparing the way for Christ's ministry. Matthew 3:11. I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I,

whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire. St John 1:29, 36–29. The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. 36. And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God! Yes, Jesus had come to be our passover lamb who would take away the sin of the world and deliver man, by the power of his own shed blood, from the shackles of satan's imprisonment.

In preparation for Jesus' public ministry John the Baptist baptized him in water. Jesus came to deliver man from the power of the devil and to show the church he would set up, starting with his disciples, how to live a holy life and how to defeat the devil and his demons. Therefore, although Jesus was sinless, he was baptized to show the church the importance of baptism. When Jesus came to John the Baptist to be baptized, John forbade him, saying I need to be baptized by you. Matthew 3:14–15 14. But John forbade him saying, I have need to be baptized by thee, and comest thou to me? 15. And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now, for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

Jesus is the church's leader and role model. His temptation in the wilderness has taught the church discipline in spiritual matters. After his baptism Jesus was tempted on three counts: the world, the flesh and the devil – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. 1 John 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. Satan tested Jesus' divinity. Matthew 4:4 If thou be the son of God command that these stones be made

bread. Had Jesus fallen under this temptation, he would have lost control to satan and rulership over the powers of darkness would have been taken from him. Jesus would have lost his position in the Father and so ruin his ministry. Jesus gave satan the word of God. It is written. We must stand our ground in the face of temptation or we will lose the rulership over the works of darkness.

The devil had another try when he set Jesus on a pinnacle of the temple and advised him to jump down and prove God to protect him. Satan quoted the word in his evil way. Jesus refused to drink the cup of pride and overcame by the power of the word. It is written. Pride is not the church's portion. We must overcome by the word of God.

The devil was determined to ruin the ministry of Jesus and incited Jesus to bow down and worship him in exchange for the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them. Satan had forgotten that everything in heaven, in earth and under the earth belongs to God. Obviously, Jesus rebuked him, again using the word. The Lord's people must not pursue the material things of this world because this could lead to worshipping satan. Matthew 4:3–10 3. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. 4. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. 5. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, 6. And saith unto him If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. 7. Jesus saith unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not

tempt the Lord thy God. 8. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them. 9. And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

What a powerful spirit of overcoming Jesus had shown his disciples for time and eternity:

A. We must never try to prove anything to satan, refuse to obey him by speaking and acting upon the written word of God and never let our physical feelings get the better of us.

B. Pride precedes destruction. The devil's pride brought him down. We must steer clear of pride and overcome by acting upon the word of God.

Jesus has shown us how. It is written.

C. Devil worship must have nothing to do with God's church. We must rebuke the devil and resist him with the word of God. The kingdoms of the world belong to God and satan can give us none of these, they do not belong to him. Again, it is written. Jesus taught us how to overcome. He came out of the temptations with complete victory and excellence and angels came and ministered unto him. The Father was very pleased and Jesus was now fully equipped to move out into his ministry.

Jesus was baptized and anointed by the Holy Spirit for his ministry. He was tempted of the devil and overcame the devil's temptations with the word of God. Miracles, signs and wonders began to follow his ministry, the first of these being the miracle of turning water into wine at the wedding reception of Cana in Galilee. [Weddings are very important occasions, Jesus did his first miracle at one of them, praise the Lord].

St John 2:9–11 9. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: [but the servants which drew the water knew]; the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, 10. And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse; but thou hast kept the good wine until now. 11. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

The disciples were on training ground. Jesus sent out some of them to do some ministry work. He was not physically with them, yet miracles took place. How and Why? Luke 10:17–19 17. And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. 18. And he said unto them, I beheld satan as lightning fall from heaven. 19. Behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. The power behind the ministry of those disciples was the wonderful name of Jesus. They ministered in his name. When Jesus was with the apostles he himself ministered so that they could learn, but when he was not with them he gave them his name to represent him. When they ministered in the name of Jesus it was as good as Jesus himself ministering.

What a name! The demons were subjected to the powerful name of Jesus and the disciples got the victory.

Regarding the name of Jesus, all that Jesus ever was, is, and will be, is in the name of Jesus and this name has been given to the church to accomplish the will of God in this church age.

When Jesus came to earth on his deliverance mission, there were many sick folks around who could not afford the price of the physicians of their day. Some had spent all they had and got worse. Satan had held man in bondage for far too long and he would now have to be forced to let man go. The greatest battle of the universe would have to be fought and won before man could get the victory and Jesus fought and won this battle to the rejoicing of men and angels. His name covers every need that man will ever have.

Matthew 4:16 The people which sat in darkness saw great light, and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death, light is sprung up.

Revelation 5:9–14 9. And they sung a new song saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation. 10. And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth. 11. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne, and the beasts, and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands. 12. Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory and blessing. 13. And every creature which is in heaven,

and on the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing and honour, and glory and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. 14. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever. When Jesus took up the ministry of liberating man, the entire universe rejoiced, except of course, satan and his demons.

Luke 2:8–11, 13–14 8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. 9. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. 10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, 14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Jesus came just on time

When Jesus came to earth there was darkness everywhere. The bible says that at the final stage of Jesus' crucifixion there was darkness over the land. After that darkness there would be light everywhere. Praise God, the light of the world had come and put an end to the darkness and the people who were sitting in darkness would see that great light. At the time Jesus came the world had never been more needy. Thank God, the angels announced that they had brought glad tidings of great joy. Yes, the many sick people would be healed, the mentally deranged would receive wholeness, the paralyzed

ones would be released. Many had tried everything they could but found no deliverance. There were those who sat by Bethesda's pool waiting for the angel to trouble the water. I believe they were all anxiously waiting to jump into that pool to receive their healing and there was a sad man who so much desired to get into the water and could not because someone always got in before him. People like him just waited there week after week, month after month and year after year. Hope had almost gone for many of them until Jesus came, praise the Lord. Here is a man who caught Jesus' attention as he waited.

St John 5:5–8 5. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. 6. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? 7. The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. 8. Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.

The voice of Jesus made all the difference for that impotent man. He heard some powerful, body healing words and got up immediately and took up his bed and walked. What glad tidings!

What about Zacchaeus? He was financially well off, the bible says he was a rich man, but spiritually he was very poor. How he earned his living started playing up on his mind, he possibly had a hard time falling asleep. He heard that Jesus would be passing through Jericho and decided he had to see him. Something needed to be done about Zacchaeus' way of life. Our compassionate saviour came just on time to rescue this man who in desperation had climbed up into a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of the Lord. Jesus called

him down from his tree of greed and saved him that day from the fires of hell.

Luke 19:1–5, 9 1. And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. 2. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. 3. And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. 4. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. 5. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for today I must abide at thy house. 9. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.

Zacchaeus spoke with Jesus from a repentant heart, acknowledged his need for restitution and had his spirit released from the kingdom of the devil as he heard the life giving words from the mouth of the saviour: “This day is salvation come to this house...”

Jesus came on time for the woman of Samaria and she received the water of life. He came on time for the mad man of Gadara and put him in his right mind. The Lord came on time for the poor woman with the issue of blood and he healed her. He met Zacchaeus at the right time and saved his soul. All those sick people that relatives and friends brought to Jesus were healed and delivered on time. Jesus has come to you right now and he will do for you what he has done for others.

Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all his benefits. [Psalm 103:1–2]

Can I share another testimony

Jesus found me when I really needed him. My first son was only 2 months old when I developed haemorrhage. The doctor I had, at the time, did not think to send me back into hospital. He gave me various pills to try and stop the bleeding but I got worse like the woman with the issue of blood in Luke 8:43–48.

I became so weak I could not walk the length of my road. I began to find it hard to fall asleep and eventually just could not sleep at nights, I heard all the noises from the little night creatures. Eventually, I began to become depressed and felt very low in my stomach. The doctors said that the central nervous system was not what it should be. Instead of pills to dry up the blood they gave me tranquillisers. I did not know then that I could become addicted to these. As time went on I got better and did not need the tranquillizers but somehow I just could not stop taking them. I was on the smallest dosage, but I still took them. If I forgot to take them I felt something was missing! Jesus found me when I really needed him.

As I studied the word of God [I have shared already how the Lord found me] the Lord saved me. I became so excited about Jesus and my salvation that I forgot I was taking pills because I was very happy and busy in the service of the Lord. After about 6 months enjoying my new life in Christ, I was taking something from my wardrobe when I saw the bottle with the pills and remembered that I used to take them. Obviously, I threw the bottle out and I have not needed to take any medicine for some 35 years. Whenever I have not felt well, I have pleaded the blood of Jesus and taken hold of the promises of healing in the bible and the Lord has always

honoured his word and delivered me and my family. Not only so, the Lord has delivered many people through this ministry. All the glory be to Jesus, 'low and dark days' are in the distant past. They have been left behind with satan, praise the Lord.

If you are unsaved, ask Jesus into your life and your problems will be taken care of by the Lord. He will take you out of your darkness and place you into his marvelous light.

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CHAPTER 5

THE DISCIPLES IN TRAINING – MIRACLES OF JESUS –

St John 4:1–2 1. When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John, 2. [Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples.]

Luke 10:17 And the seventy returned with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

Jesus came to die for our sins and to teach us how to minister and overcome the works of the devil, until he comes again. He came to set up the church and to teach her how to deliver the world through his name from the kingdom of darkness. Jesus sent out seventy of his disciples to minister. He gave them his name whilst he was still on earth and they found that the name of Jesus did what Jesus himself would do. Jesus was in his name. The demons feared that name and it did not make any difference that Jesus was not yet glorified. The disciples were being grounded in the knowledge that the name of Jesus made things happen. Jesus allowed his disciples to do baptisms on his behalf. The demons were being dealt with through the name of Jesus and were subject to his name. The disciples therefore baptized in the name of Jesus. To get the same result that Jesus got they had to do everything in his name.

Jesus dealt with various types of situations in order that his disciples could be taught how to deal with various types of conditions they would face in their ministry:

The Gadarene demoniac [a mentally ill man]

Mark 5:1–9 And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes. 2. And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. 3. Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no not with chains. 4. Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces, neither could any man tame him. 5. And always night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying and cutting himself with stones. 6. But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him. 7. And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not. 8. For he said unto him, come out of the man thou unclean spirit. 9. And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many.

There was a lot for the disciples to learn from this man's condition and how Jesus delivered him:

[a] The demoniac was drawn to Jesus and he recognized Jesus' mission.

[b] The devil brings man down to the lowest condition of misery when he gets his way with man. How the demonized man got into the clutches of the devil is not known, but the man was very harassed by the evil spirits. He was dwelling among the tombs [the man lived in a grave yard – a place of death]. He cried and cut himself with stones; a terrible state to be in.

[c] Somewhere inside of that insane man it was revealed that Jesus could help him. The anointing of healing on Jesus had pulling power.

[d] Fear took hold of the demons, who acknowledged that Jesus was the Son of God and had power to destroy them.

[e] The disciples were learning that it takes legions to make the man run wild, but that however many evil spirits were in the man, the power of Jesus was more than enough to drive them out.

[f] The disciples were learning how to cast out the demons: [“Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit.”]. This would stand them on good ground when Jesus should hand over the ministry to them.

The fever of Peter’s mother-in-law and other illnesses healed. Demons were cast out

Matthew 8:14–17 14. And when Jesus was come into Peter’s house, he saw his wife’s mother laid, and sick of a fever. 15. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. 16. When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick: 17. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esias the prophet saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

The disciples were to learn, and we are learning, that Jesus does not do things in the same way every time. Here, he touched Peter’s mother-in-law. In fact, he touched her hand. Why her

hand? This is not clear, but one thing is certain, to do as Jesus did is to have good success. Jesus said to his disciples, Follow me, and as they followed him they were very successful. We cannot fail if we follow the example set by Jesus.

Two blind men received their sight

Matthew 9:27–29 27. And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying and saying, Thou son of David, Have mercy on us. 28. And when he was come into the house the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, yea, Lord. 29. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

The bible says, And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straightly charged them saying, See that no man know it.

On this occasion Jesus touched their eyes [the place where they had the problem] and told them their healing was in their faith. The disciples were learning that faith in Christ was what brought the deliverance and that if they exercised their faith they could move mountains.

The woman with the issue of blood healed

Mark 5:25–34 25. And a certain woman which had an issue of blood twelve years, 26. And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, 27. When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment. 28. For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. 29. And straightway the fountain of her

blood was dried up: and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. 30. And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes? 31. And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? 32. And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing. 33. But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth. 34. And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole: go in peace and be whole of thy plague.

Yes, faith is important to get a positive result, because “faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen” [Hebrews 11:1].

Here was a woman who had spent all her money paying the doctors in order to receive healing. Instead of getting better, her bleeding got worse. She heard about Jesus and was determined to give his ministry a try. She was not prepared to let the crowds stop her seeing him, so she pressed her way through the crowds. She may have reasoned within herself that if she remained in her condition she would probably die and if the crowds squeezed her to death, well!! At least it would be worth a try pressing her way to Jesus because she believed that if she was able to touch him she would be healed. She touched him and she was delivered. Jesus honoured her faith. Jesus was most highly anointed and the woman exercised her faith.

From this miracle Jesus’ disciples should understand that they would touch some people but others would touch them. They would have to minister under the anointing of the Holy Spirit

so that whether they touched people or people touched them, in the name of Jesus, they would receive their deliverance.

Many heard the word and the man 'sick of the palsy' was healed

Mark 2:1–5 1. And again he entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house. 2. And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them. 3. And they come unto him bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four. 4. And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay. 5. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

In this instance, it would seem obvious there was no help anywhere else for this sick man. His friends were determined to get him to Jesus and the crowds were all around him. They were desperate so they opened up the roof and let down the sick man on his couch in front of Jesus. What faith! [Lord please give us all this kind of faith because we would get all our families and friends delivered.] They knew Jesus was going through the towns and villages and they could not be sure he would pass their way another day so they took hold of the opportunity to get their friend to Jesus so he could receive his healing. The word says, 'When Jesus saw their faith.....' It was the faith of the four men who brought the palsied man to Jesus, that touched him. Jesus healed the sick man and his disciples could see

here the power in the men's faith. Jesus dealt with the faith these men exercised and the disciples were learning how to respond to such faith. The time would come when they would be left to carry on the ministry in the name of Jesus.

Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit and healed the child

Luke 9:37–44 37. And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met them. 38. And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child. 39. And lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him. 40. And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not. 41. Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither. 42. And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father. 43. And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered everyone at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples, 44. Let these sayings sink down into your ears; for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.

This was training for the disciples and for us also. The demon subjected the man's only son to much suffering and the unclean spirit hardly left the child, it tormented him continuously. The boy's father brought him to the disciples asking them to cast out the demon, but they could not. What a lesson that must have been for the disciples.

They were not at the place spiritually to deal with the kind of spirit that tormented the child and they may have felt somewhat ashamed. The boy's father would have been overjoyed when Jesus arrived. Please help me Lord. My son is in a terrible state and your disciples have not been able to help me. The father was crying out for help. Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit and healed the boy. He then gave the child to his father.

A point of note for the Lord's disciples of every age: In Mark's gospel the disciples asked Jesus, "Why could not we cast him out?" Jesus answered: "This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting" [Mark 9:29]. It is obvious from this that the disciples were not praying and fasting as they should and were therefore not prepared for spiritual warfare against the powers of darkness, that would release the captives. They would have to fast and pray to enable them to be ready to deal with any situation they should face, at any time.

The woman of Samaria drank the living water

St John 4:4, 7–11, 13–15. 4. And he must needs go through Samaria. 7. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink [for his disciples were gone away into the city to buy meat]. 9. Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? For the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans. 10. Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink: thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. 13. Jesus saith unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again. 14. But whosoever drinketh

of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. 15. The woman saith unto him, Sir give me this water that I thirst not again, neither come hither to draw.

Lessons to be learned:

1] Jesus went out of his way to meet with this lost and lonely woman. The disciples would have to do that in their ministry. The lost must be found.

2] Jesus struck up the right conversation to bring the woman to the place of accepting salvation. "...Give me to drink" [verse 7].

3] The woman began to talk about nationality. Jesus would not be side-tracked, but pressed home the salvation point. "if thou knewest the gift of God...[vs.10]. Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst again...." [vs.13]

4] Her reply, "Sir give me this water that I thirst not again..." [vs.15].

5] People should be brought to salvation with love and wisdom, step by step. There would be different needs to be met by the wisdom of God and the power of the Holy Spirit.

The impotent man at the pool of Bethesda

St John 5:2-6 2. Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue, Bethesda,

having five porches. 3. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. 4. For an angel went down at a certain season and troubled the water, Whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole. 5. And a certain man was there which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. 6. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?

Lessons to be learned here:

1] There were many sick people waiting for the water to be troubled by the angel.

2] This poor man made many attempts to get in the water but someone always got in before him.

3] Jesus appeared, “Wilt thou be made whole” asked Jesus. “Every time I attempted to get in someone got in before me.” Why did Jesus ask the man if he wanted to be made whole? Because sometimes people are content to remain in their condition, although they give the impression otherwise. This man wanted to be healed. “Rise, take up your bed and walk”, said Jesus unto him, and the man was made whole immediately.

These are a few of the many lessons the disciples learned as they followed Jesus, in preparation for the ministry he had for them to accomplish in his great and mighty name. They would realize the same success as Jesus and more also. St. John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Sister G's testimony

I come from a pagan family. Witchcraft was my portion as I grew up, and certain family members wanted to pass this demon onto me, which I did not want. I hated even the thought of being a witch. How would I get out of it? A spirit husband molested me at nights and I could not find a job.

Thank God for a wonderful Christian lady who led me to Christ. When she first tried witnessing to me, inviting me to an experience with Christ, I despised her. However, the love of God allowed her to continue to be patient with me until I accepted Christ as my personal saviour.

I could still find no work and I suffered under the evil effect of the spirit husband. I felt so dirty. Thank God for Jesus. The Lord would have me to hear of the ministry of Apostle D M Lake and The Apostolic Church of God 7th Day ministries. I decided to visit the church at one of the branches and see if this ministry could help me. Pastor Fullerton, who pastored that assembly, and the elders, prayed for me and I felt better. When Apostle Lake attended the Sunday evening service, she also prayed for me and advised me to attend the healing and deliverance meeting on the following Wednesday evening. [These are held every Wednesday evening.] I did as she advised me, and praise the Lord I have been delivered. However, I have continued to attend these meetings so that the anointing can remain on me. These are warfare prayer meetings where the demons are driven out.

I have been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ at the Apostolic Church of God 7th Day and I am a part of this ministry. The Lord has provided a job for me and I am

now employed. I was out of work for a couple of years, and this was not for the want of searching diligently. This ministry has made all the difference to my life, praise the Lord.

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CHAPTER 6

THE WHY OF JESUS' DEATH BURIAL AND RESURRECTION

Most of us are well aware of the fact that Jesus died to save man from sin. However, he walked the earth for a brief period to teach us how to obey the word of God and how to overcome the world, the flesh and the devil. He trained some of his disciples so they could train others to deliver man from the wicked plans of the devil and his emissaries.

The Lord's supper

Matthew 26: 20–22, 25–28 20. Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. 21. And as they did eat, he said, Verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me. 22. And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every-one of them to say unto him, Lord, is it I? 25. Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said. 26. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. 27. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it. 28. For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Jesus was preparing his disciples for his departure from them. The time was at hand and he was instituting a new era, the New Testament era. Jesus would leave his disciples to continue the mission of reconciling man to God, and whenever they took the Lord's supper they would remember

his death. Jesus would shed his precious blood and this would suffice to break the demonic powers and set the captives free from satan's prison house of sin. The devil would not be able to stand against the shed blood of Christ. Legally, in the spirit realm, the price for man's deliverance would be paid once and for all and this last meal with his disciples would prove to remind them that Jesus had given the church victory over the works of darkness for ever. Praise the Lord.

The sign of Christ's broken body and his shed blood was before them and their understanding would be opened up in due time. His shed blood would be a powerful weapon to defeat the plans of satan. Their sorrow would be turned into joy as they would see souls saved, bodies and minds healed, problems solved and man released from satan's kingdom. They would be completely dedicated to their blessed Lord.

The garden of Gethsemane

Matthew 26:36 Then cometh Jesus with them into a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto his disciples, Sit ye here while I go and pray yonder.

Luke 22:40–44 40. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. 41. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast and kneeled down, and prayed. 42. Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine be done. 43. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. 44. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

Yes, Jesus sweated it out to give us the victory over sin and satan. He agonized for you and for me. The weight and burden of sin was upon him. The bible tells us that the disciples he took with him in that garden fell asleep. It was not sleeping time for Jesus. The demons were watching to see what would be the next step. Satan and his fallen angels did not know what God was doing. They could see some action but they could not work it out. They would have to wait and see.

Jesus' crucifixion, burial and resurrection

St John 19:1–6 1. Then Pilate therefore took Jesus and scourged him, 2. And the soldiers plaited a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, 3. And said, Hail, King of the Jews! And they smote him with their hands. 4. Pilate therefore went forth again and saith unto them, Behold I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. 5. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! 6. When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him and crucify him: for I find no fault in him.

Satan and his demons must have been having a merry – making party, thinking they were finally getting rid of Jesus. Satan used the religious leaders of the day to try and stop Jesus from helping the suffering people. The demons did all they could to ruin his ministry, to no avail. Jesus had come down from heaven to die for man and to bring satan under the church's feet, but this mystery was hidden from satan and his co-workers. They might have been laughing, but this would be short-lived. As time went on they would have the

shock of their evil lives. The crown of thorns, the purple robe, were all a blessing in disguise! Jesus was covering the whole of man's liberation, from his head to his feet, praise the Lord. Men and angels [God's angels] would rejoice at the great victory Jesus had come to give.

Psalm 24:7–10 7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in. 8. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. 9. Lift up your heads O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 10. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. It would be only a matter of a short time when all those people and religious leaders who ignorantly took sides with satan, and who were used by the devil, would be disgraced. Jesus is the mighty conqueror, praise his holy name. The name of Jesus would be a sword in satan's bones. His rejoicing would turn into bitter disappointment. He was not to know that Jesus' suffering was stripping him [satan] of his stolen dominion and that Jesus by his holy and great name would be handing this dominion back to man, to all those who would love and obey him. Matthew 27:22, 35, 37, 50–54 22. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus, which is called Christ?

They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. 35. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. 37. And set up over his head his accusation written, **This is Jesus the King of the Jews**. 50. Jesus when he had cried with a loud voice yielded up the ghost. 51. And behold the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

52. And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose. 53. And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. 54. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him watching Jesus saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

It did not take long before someone began to acknowledge that what was taking place was nothing ordinary and that Jesus was an extraordinary person – the Son of God.

The plan of God was in fulfillment. The shedding of Jesus' blood on that cross gave life to those dead people, who rose from the dead and walked the streets of Jerusalem, and this was a sign of man's redemption and resurrection from the dead. The price for man's freedom had been paid. Death no longer had dominion over them, and us, praise the Lord. To Jesus be all the glory.

St John 19:34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

The accusation, "King of the Jews" was true to a point. Jesus is King of the Jews and King of all; King of kings and Lord of lords. Jesus conquered satan, he conquered demons, he conquered principalities, he conquered powers, hallelujah, and the church set up by Jesus is on her way rejoicing.

Jesus' burial and resurrection

St John 19:38–42 38. And after this Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore and took the body

of Jesus. 39. And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight. 40. Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. 41. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. 42. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day, for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

Despite the rejection of the Lord Jesus in many high places, there will always be people in those places who will love the Lord. Joseph of Arimathea seemed to have been an influential man who had to work for the Lord secretly. He watched what was happening and went and requested the body of the Lord for burial. I don't know where the disciples, who were up and down with Jesus on a daily basis, were, but Nicodemus another member of the religious circle, who came to Jesus by night, stood with Joseph to see that Jesus had a perfect burial.

It seems there are some secret Christian workers who will surely be recognized by the Lord on that great day. We may not see some of the people we expect to be there.

A point of note: The disciples were afraid, they were not yet converted, but we shall see the difference after their conversion.

He arose

Matthew 28:1-9 1. In the end of the Sabbath as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre: 2. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the

door and sat upon it. 3. His countenance was like lightening, and his raiment white as snow. 4. And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. 5. And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. 6. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said, Come see the place where the Lord lay. 7. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and behold, he goeth before you into Galilee, there shall ye see him, lo, I have told you. 9. And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail, and they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.

Yes, he arose. The powers of sin had been broken, the evidence was real. When the women got to the sepulchre there was an angel of the Lord there to impart the good news, news that will never be erased from heaven, nor from hell, nor from the earth, nor from under the earth.

When the news reached satan and his demons they must have trembled as fear took hold of them. What next? they may have asked each other. The gates of hell had been torn down, the bars of iron broken, the keys of death and of hell taken from satan and man reconciled to God; hallelujah! He is not here, he is risen is a bell of truth ringing through the ages. Come, I will show you where he was lying. [paraphrased]. What excitement, what joy! Go quickly, let his disciples know, and tell them he will be meeting them in Galilee! Praise the Lord. As they ran off to tell the disciples, Jesus met them with a glad “all hail” [hello!] In their joy and happiness they just worshipped him.

What a great and wonderful day that was for those faithful ladies. I am inclined to believe that they did not, at that time know what Jesus had done for them and for the whole world. They

probably did not know at the time that soon they would be filled with the Holy Ghost and receive anointing from the Lord which would keep the devil for ever under their feet. At the time they would not have realized that Jesus would give them his great name to destroy the works of the devil. The time would come when they would certainly know who their blessed Lord really was and ever will be.

Mark 16:15–20 15. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. 17. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. 19. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. 20. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

After Jesus had risen from the dead, he appeared also unto the eleven disciples [Judas had committed suicide after betraying Jesus] as they were eating and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart. Why? Because they did not believe the report that Jesus had been seen by others.

Mark 16:14 Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

God is very merciful and can look past our failures when he has a plan for our lives in his divine will. Many of us were

like those unbelieving disciples but Jesus managed, somehow, to bring us in line with his will. Jesus was not seeing the disciples for who they were, he was seeing them as they would be when he had moulded their characters by his Spirit.

Jesus had completed his mission and it was time to leave the job of reconciling man to God to his disciples. It was time to pass the job on and delegate responsibility to the disciples, and this he did, because there were still going to be sick people around who would need healing: there would be the mentally ill, like the demoniac of Gadara who would need demons driven out to put them in their right minds [Mark 5:1–18]; women with issues of blood who would need to touch Jesus; bent over people who would not be able to lift themselves up and they would have to be straightened up by the power of the word of God; the paralytics would need to be taken off their stretchers; and the Zacchaeus' who overtax the people and might be having sleepless nights, their consciences troubling them, would need freeing up by repentance and restitution. [Luke 19:1–10]. The lepers of society whom no-one wants to know or to have anything to do with, would need to be loved and healed; the blind Bartimaeus' sitting by the highway begging and calling on the name of Jesus would need to have their sight restored to them so they could go out and earn their living and be a blessing [Mark 10:46–52]. What about the prodigal son, he would need to be met with love and compassion on his return to his father's house. And, of course, the poor must have the gospel preached unto them to take them out of the kingdom of darkness. These are just a few of the many souls chained by the devil who would need to be loosed to serve the Lord and make heaven their home. Jesus was leaving a great ministry for his disciples and he promised to supply the authority and power to get this fulfilled.

Exodus 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM that I AM: and he said, Thus shall ye say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne O God is for ever and ever: A sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.

Revelation 5:10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

Mark 16:17–18 17. And these signs shall follow them that believe; IN MY NAME shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues; 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

Jesus rebuked the disciples for heir unbelief when he appeared to them, because the signs are for believers. We must never doubt.

In my name: The authority had been given. The disciples must use the name of Jesus because victory is certain at all times, in this great and powerful name.

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CHAPTER 7

AUTHORITY TO USE: – THE NAME OF JESUS –

Mark 16: 17–18 17. And these signs shall follow them that believe. **In my name** shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

The greatest period of success in man's history was the time Jesus paid the price for man's sins and the consequences by Jesus' death on the cross of Calvary, his burial and resurrection. This mark in the history of man can never be erased. This news has been heard all over God's creation. For at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, of things in heaven, of things in earth and of things under the earth. And every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:10–11].

What is authority?

[Dictionary definition]: Legal power or right to command or to act: People invested with this power, weight or influence derived from rank, office, character or experience; precedent or official declaration [Nuttall's Standard Dictionary of the English Language].

When Jesus paid the price for man's sins and for man's whole spiritual and physical well-being, Jesus legally took back from satan the dominion which had been given to him by

man's disobedience to the word of God. Satan tries at all times to deceive man into believing that he still has power to keep man under his control and so he puts every evil work he can devise on man, hoping to keep man trapped. However, Jesus has given his disciples the legal right to demand that satan releases the captives, since the price for man's freedom has been paid.

During the period of Jesus' earthly sojourn, demons cried out at the very sight of him. They remembered how they had been cast out of heaven and they knew Jesus' kingship and authority over them. Jesus ruled over every sin, sickness and disease and also over every situation that he came up against. All this authority to rule has been given to the church of Jesus Christ and as long as the church walks in holiness the devil cannot win a single battle against the disciples of Christ. Jesus had given the disciples and all who believe the truth the authority to use his name. When the name of Jesus is being used it is as if Jesus himself were ministering, and no power in heaven, in earth, or under the earth can overcome this great name: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!!! When you say Jesus, you've said it all.

What is the name of Jesus?

The name of Jesus is the most awesome, glorious, majestic, unique, precious, adorable, beautiful, holy, gracious, wonderful name [words are insufficient to describe the greatest of names] in the entire universe. When you say Jesus, you are speaking of peace, comfort, unparalleled love, trustworthiness, faithfulness, joy, gladness, blessedness, [I could go on for ever trying to find words to describe this indescribable name]. This wonderful name Jesus stands incomparable,

supreme, peerless, august, unrivalled amongst the sons of men and angels. There is no name like the name of Jesus anywhere in all God's creation. Angels bow at the mention of this most holy name, men fear, satan and demons tremble. What a name! When we say Jesus we say the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and ye are complete in him which is the head of all principality and power. [Colossians 2:9–10]. When we say Jesus we are speaking of the great provider. [Genesis 22:8]. And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering....

The name of Jesus is most powerful to give every positive result, but we need to know something about the name to be able to use it with confidence.

How Jesus obtained his name

- **By inheritance**

Hebrews 1:4 Being so much better than the angels as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they;

- **By birth**

Matthew 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son and thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins;

- **By bestowal**

Philippians 2:9–11 9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father;

• **By conquest [He conquered satan and demons]**

Colossians 2:14–15 14. Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross. 15. And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

By Jesus' sacrifice on the cross he won the battle against satan and his demons and triumphed over them.

Jesus has given the church the power of attorney to use his name. That is to say the church has the legal right to use the name of Jesus to do what Jesus would do. When we use the name of Jesus, providing we are walking in accordance with the word of God, we should get the results Jesus would get. All the people Jesus ministered to were delivered, and the result should be the same for us as we minister in the name of Jesus. The church is representing Jesus. Jesus has given us the power of attorney; the legal right to represent him by using his name.

Power of attorney

Mark 16:15–18 15. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. 17. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

The words **in my name** are very important. The power of attorney works with the name of Jesus. Jesus has told the believer to ask in his name, and it is the name of Jesus that gives us the right to ask anything of the Father.

St John 16:23–24 23. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father **in my name**, he will give it you. 24. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name, ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

St John 14:13–14 13. And whatsoever ye shall ask **in my name**, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14. If ye shall ask anything **in my name**, I will do it.

In Matthew 7:7 Jesus told us to ask and it shall be given unto us, and he has told us that we shall receive if we ask in his name, praise the Lord.

The use of the name is for believers, it was not given to unbelievers and there is no guarantee that it will work for them.

Jesus delegated authority to his disciples

Matthew 28:18–19 18. And Jesus came and spake unto them [his disciples] saying, All power [authority] is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them **in the name** of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Obviously, the name has to be **Jesus**. Jesus was instructing them to baptize in his name.

St John 3:35–36 35. The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand. 36. He that believeth on the

Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.

The name of Jesus is the only name that the devil fears. Why? Satan was there when Jesus paid the price for man's redemption by shedding his blood. Jesus defeated the devil in hell and took from him the keys of hell and of death and Jesus holds those keys. Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore and have the keys of hell and of death. Satan can never forget the cross and what took place there. He can never forget hell and what took place there. Neither will satan ever forget the authority given to God's people to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt the Lord's people.

When the church says **Jesus**, it reminds the devil that he is fighting a battle he has already lost. Praise the Lord. In Jesus dwells the fullness of the Godhead bodily and we are complete in him. Jesus is our completion. The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are all contained in Jesus and all our provisions are met in Jesus, therefore, all the power is in the name of Jesus. Why? Jesus has already fought and won our battles and has given us the victory. Once we know who we are and what Jesus has done for us, satan cannot win.

The patriarchs and prophets knew of a deliverer but his name was not revealed to them. The name was revealed to Joseph in a dream. Thou shalt call his name **Jesus** for he shall save his people from their sins. [Matthew 1:21]. The devil and his demons must have been very confused as God began to unfold his plan for man's redemption. This plan had been kept secret for a long time. I believe if satan knew how it would work he would have tried to destroy it.

Jesus conquered satan and his cohorts and he has given his disciples the authority to use his name to keep satan conquered.

Authority to use the name of Jesus was given to Jesus' disciples only – The name is for Christ's church:

Acts 19:11–15 11. And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul. 12. So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.13.Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits, the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth. 14. And there were seven sons of one Sceva a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so. 15. And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye? 16. And the man in whom the evil spirit was, leaped on them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

Here we see these seven men from a priesthood lineage attempting to cast out demons [doing deliverance] in the name of Jesus, “whom Paul preacheth.” It is quite plain they did not know Christ personally. They were not in the line of believers, and the signs would only follow those who believed. It is quite dangerous to try casting out demons if one is not saved. What happened in the case of the seven sons of Sceva? The demons gave them a good beating. The demons came out of the man and attacked them.

A lesson to be learned by up and coming deliverance ministers: The deliverance minister must be converted and living a holy life if the demons are to obey him, in the name of Jesus, and leave the sufferers.

The name of Jesus is most powerful to bring deliverance when it is used in accordance with the word of God. It is also powerful to destroy the enemies of righteousness. It can bless and it can curse. Bless, if we are disciples of Jesus, curse if we are disciples of the devil.

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CHAPTER 8

WHAT WE SHOULD DO IN – THE NAME OF JESUS –

[a] We should preach the message of salvation in the name of Jesus.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved.

Acts 2:36 36. Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. 21. And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 16:30–31 30. And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved. 31. And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

[b] We should baptize in the name of Jesus

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Colossians 2:12, 9–10 12. Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. 9. For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. 10. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power.

Acts 8:14–16 14. Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: 15. Who, when they were come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost: 16. [For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord.]

[c] We should minister healing and deliverance in the name of Jesus.

Mark 16:17–18 17. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

Acts 8:5–8 5. Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ unto them. 6. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. 7. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them; and many taken with palsies, and that were lame were healed. 8. And there was great joy in that city.

The name of Jesus being ministered by Philip drove out many demons and effected the healing of various diseases. There is power in the wonderful name of Jesus.

[d] We should bless our meals in the name of Jesus

Mark 16:18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. Just in case there is some

deadly thing before us to eat, we should safeguard ourselves and remember to bless our meals in the name of Jesus. That way any deadly food or drink will not hurt us.

[e] We should pray about everything in the name of Jesus

St John 16:23–24 23. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. 24. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

Jesus has told us to ask in his name and we will receive what we ask for. If we do as we are commanded we will have fulness of joy. Praise the Lord.

St John 14:13–14 13. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14. If ye shall ask anything in my name I will do it.

[f] We should stand up to the witches in the name of Jesus.

Acts 8:20–24 20. But Peter said unto him, [Simon the sorcerer], Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money. 21. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter for thy heart is not right in the sight of God. 22. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. 23. For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity. 24. Then answered Simon and said, Pray ye the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me. Simon, the sorcerer joined the church. It is obvious he was

not born again. When he saw the power of God being manifested in the mighty name of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, he thought he could buy the Holy Ghost. He was used to people paying him for his services as a witch doctor, and he was amazed at the miracles he saw taking place. What power! He must have thought to himself. I would be even greater if I could have some of that! Peter withstood him very firmly. We must stand against the false prophets who come to us as wolves in sheep's clothing, trying to draw some anointing from the church to promote their witchcraft. May the Lord keep us in the Spirit of the Lord so we can spot them out.

Acts 13:6–12 6. And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Barjesus, 7. Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God. 8. But Elymas the sorcerer [for so is his name by interpretation] withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith. 9. Then Saul [who also is called Paul], filled with the Holy Ghost set his eyes on him; 10. And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? 11. And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand. 12. Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

The apostle Paul stood up to Elymas in the name of Jesus. Those apostles lived in the Lord's name and doctrine, that is why Paul could say, "the hand of the Lord is upon thee"

to the sorcerer. Often times witches enter the church to pervert the right ways of the Lord, causing disunity and confusion and discouraging unsuspecting souls, therefore driving them away from the Lord. O, that the Lord's leaders of his flock would spot them out and deal with them, like the apostle Paul did. May all witches and satanists who would try turning away people who want to be saved, from the Lord, be brought down in the name of Jesus, and may the Lord Jesus be for ever glorified.

[g] We should teach the church how to behave in the name of Jesus

1 Timothy 3:15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

There is a way to behave ourselves in the house of the Lord. Some of us are unruly. Paul had problems with the behaviour of the saints in Corinth. At the time of serving the Lord's supper the behaviour of the saints was awful. Listen to the version of the Good News Bible: 1 Corinthians 11:20–22 20. When you meet together as a group, it is not the Lord's supper that you eat. 21. For as you eat, each one goes ahead with his own meal, so that some are hungry while others get drunk. 22. Haven't you got your own homes in which to eat and drink? Or would you rather shame the people who are in need? What do you expect me to say to you about this? Shall I praise you? Of course I don't.

It was Lord's supper time and the saints were badly behaved. The apostle Paul corrected them, in fact, he rebuked them. There was another problem also in Corinth concerning the gift

of speaking in tongues. Things seemed to have got out of control. People were speaking in tongues disregarding the effect the way they were speaking could have on others. They would speak out loudly, whilst the meeting was going on, without any interpretation. Others would prophesy whilst someone else was already giving a prophecy. The church must have been a very confusing place at some point. Paul taught them that if there was no interpretation of tongues, they should speak quietly, because not only would it disturb the order of the service, but if an unbeliever came into the service he would think it was a place for mad people.

The apostle Paul also taught them how to operate in the prophetic gift. They were not to prophesy at the same time but they should prophesy one by one. 1 Corinthians 14: 31–32. For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted. 32. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.

Prophetic utterances should go forward intelligently and in a way that would edify the church, not for selfish reasons. We have many cases in our churches where people jump and shout and speak out loudly in tongues, often disturbing the preaching of the word of God, without any interpretation of these tongues. Tongues should be interpreted so that the church may be comforted and blessed.

Leaders must teach the unruly how to behave themselves in the house of God, in the name of Jesus. We are also scripturally allowed to rebuke them for their bad behaviour, in the name of Jesus. Colossians 3:17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.

[h] We should keep doctrines of devils out of the church in the name of Jesus

1 Timothy 4:1–2 1. Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. 2. Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron.

We should take our microphones, in Jesus' name, from those preachers who take over our platforms with their lies. Here are some of the lies they pour out: The believers can live with their boy friends and continue to speak in tongues; their sexual preference is fine as long as they are happy; they must not be like those Christians who work toward perfection because it is impossible to be perfect in this world; Jesus loves you as you are, just be yourself. They are false prophets and are teaching lies in hypocrisy. They have strayed from Jesus' command in Matthew 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Keep these doctrines of devils out of the church in the name of Jesus.

There are those who feel that gain is godliness, and teach that prosperity in material things are a sign that we are blessed of God. They teach that people are highly favoured by God when they acquire large cars, aeroplanes, large homes with ornate furniture and large bank balances. From such turn away.

1 Timothy 6:6–11 6. But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. 9. But they that will be

rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men into destruction and perdition. 10. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. 11. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

Christians, we must keep all this modern day worldliness and doctrines of devils out of our churches and leaders must remind the church of Jesus' words. Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world. [St John 18:36].

Jesus has promised to bless us, but preachers must not teach worldliness. People must not be taught to lust after material things.

Out with the doctrines of devils, in the name of Jesus. We will teach the truth of the gospel of Christ in the mighty name of Jesus.

[i] Drive gossiping and backbiting spirits out of our assemblies in the name of Jesus

Proverbs 21:23 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

Gossiping and backbiting is evil, even in the world, this breeds discord amongst family members, brings discord and disunity amongst brethren and is damaging to the church. Listen to the following: "I don't like sister so and so, she is always hanging around the pastor. I'm not saying anything is going on, but you never know. I will have to ring sister J

and ask her to pray about fornicators and adulterers and ask her to put sister so and so on the prayer list so that the saints can pray for her.” This is bitter gossiping, this is certainly not love and such must be rebuked in the name of Jesus.

Gossiping and backbiting sins carry with them jealousy and envy and should never be allowed in our churches. Drive out these demons in the name of Jesus. Christian leaders, if we do not drive them out we are likely to lose some precious saints.

The demons cannot stand up to the mighty name of Jesus and they will run back to the pit, so send them on their way in the name of Jesus.

Jesus has given the church his great and mighty name. We are authorized by the Lord to use his name and obtain the victory. This powerful name, Jesus, is a winner every time. Praise the Lord.

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CHAPTER 9

SOME APOSTOLIC MIRACLES – IN THE NAME OF JESUS –

Handkerchiefs and aprons on the sick brought healing

Acts 19:11–12 11. And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: 12. So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

All the apostles took up the authority Jesus gave them and ministered in his name. In this way they witnessed signs and wonders and mighty deeds as the Lord Jesus honoured his word to be with them by the power of the Holy Spirit.

If the church obeys Christ and uses the name of Jesus over every situation, she will witness apostolic power and the plans of satan and his demons will come to nothing. Let us look at a few more apostolic miracles.

Peter preached and the salvation miracle took place

Acts 2:36–39, 41 36. Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. 37. Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? 38. Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized everyone of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission

of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. 39. For the promise is unto you, and to your children and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. 41. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized, and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

The name of Jesus brings about miracles. Peter preached Christ unto the multitudes. When the word hit them they cried out, Men and brethren, what shall we do? The apostle Peter promptly advised them to repent and be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of their sins. Since salvation is not in any other name, repentance had to be done in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Here was a notable miracle. Three thousand souls were added to the kingdom of God. The greatest miracle in any person's life is the salvation of his soul. Why? Because man was born in sin with a sinful nature. The ways of God are not in him, that is why the transformation is such a great miracle and it is only the name of Jesus that is powerful enough to loose man from the bondage of sin. Once a person has received the miracle of salvation, he is in a position of faith to receive other miracles. For this reason we lead people to salvation in the name of Jesus before we pray for their other needs, e.g. healing.

Healing and deliverance in Samaria by Philip

Acts 8:5–12 5. Then Philip went down to Samaria and preached Christ unto them, 6. And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice came out of many that were possessed with them; and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. 8. And there was great joy in that city. 9. But there

was a certain man called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one: 10. To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest saying, This man is the great power of God. 11. And to him they had regard because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries. 12. But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized both men and women.

In Samaria Philip preached the name of Jesus and not only were believers baptized in this great name, but unclean spirits crying out loudly came out of many who were possessed with them and many who were paralyzed were healed. What a comprehensive name – the name of Jesus!

Ananias and Sapphira lied and died

Acts 5:1–10 1. But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. 2. And kept back part of the price, his wife being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why hath satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? 4. Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? And after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? Why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? Thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God. 5. And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost; and great fear came on all them that heard these things. 6. And the young men arose, wound him up and carried him out, and buried him. And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. 8. And Peter answered

and said unto her: Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much. 9. Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? Behold the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out. 10. Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost, and the young men came in, and found her dead, and carrying her forth, buried her by her husband.

In the apostolic church, the name of Jesus [the hand of the Lord] brought down the deceivers. The couple lied to the Holy Spirit. Why do people seem to do so many awful things in the church today and still stand on their feet? This modern day church is lacking in the apostolic anointing. Some Ananias and Sapphira miracles need to happen to liars that will bring great fear upon the church of today and upon some cheating leaders who have forgotten that the church was purchased with the blood of Jesus, that the name of Jesus is in the church, that the church belongs to Jesus and is a place of righteousness and true holiness. Like Ananias and Sapphira many deceivers think they are lying to the Peters of the church. O, no, they are lying to the Holy Ghost. Herein was a notable miracle performed. The couple lied and died. The church at which the apostle Peter was ministering thought that, perhaps, there were only miracles of blessings to receive. To their amazement there were also miracles of curses to be had.

Aeneas, sick of the palsy, healed

Acts 9:32–35 32. And it came to pass as Peter passed throughout all quarters, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda. 33. And there he found a certain man named Aeneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy. 34. And Peter said unto him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee

whole: Arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately. 35. And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.

Apostolic miracles! Yes. When we find these “certain men” bed-bound for several years, our duty is to release them in the name of Jesus. Peter was well aware of the authority that Jesus Christ had invested in him, and he exercised his authority over the infirmity demons that held the man bound by speaking these powerful healing and life-giving words “Jesus Christ maketh thee whole”. The apostles knew the power in the name of Jesus and they used this great name with confidence and received the results Jesus intended them to receive, praise the Lord.

Why are there so many sick people in our assemblies, so many demonized people, so many liars and deceivers? Because God’s Peters, Philips, and Pauls of today’s church do not have the revelation of the power and authority that Jesus has given his church and we are still somewhat unaware of the success and victory available to us when we use the mighty name of Jesus.

O, that the eyes of the church’s understanding may be enlightened that we may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe. [Ephesians 1:18–19a].

Shaking off the viper into the fire

Acts 28:1–6 1. And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita. 2. And the barbarous people

showed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us everyone, because of the present rain and because of the cold. 3. And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand. 4. And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live. 5. And he shook off the beast into the fire and felt no harm. 6. Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

When we travel in the name of Jesus, not only will we escape the sea, but all the problems on the land shall perish before our very eyes. The name of Jesus will be glorified as we experience his miracle working power in the presence of those barbarians. They shall fear when they see what Jesus is doing in our lives, how he delivers us from those vipers. We shall just shake those venomous beasts off our hands as we realize the power in the name of Jesus and the authority to use this great name. The apostle Paul did not panic, he calmly shook off the viper into the fire. May we do the same in the name of Jesus.

In our viper situation we shall not fear. The name of Jesus is mighty to cast that viper situation into the fire of destruction. The barbarous people on Melita island was waiting to see the death of Paul. O, no, death was not Paul's portion. He was under the blood of Jesus and was standing on the authority of the name of Jesus.

The barbarous people in your life must be disgraced as you move through life's situations successfully in the mighty name of Jesus. Keep wielding the name of Jesus, you cannot lose a battle, praise the Lord.

Sister P's testimony

When I joined the Apostolic Church of God 7th Day Ministries, I had many problems. I used to attend a church, when I first came to the Lord, for some five years. I was like a dumb dog which could not bark. The name of Jesus was very rarely called and I just plodded along, until I was invited to Apostle Lake's ministry. Firstly, I attended the Thursday evening prayer house which was more like a fire house. Apostle Lake prayed for me. I could literally feel fire moving through my body. After a couple of visits all the problems in my body as regards my health disappeared. My spirit revived and for the first time in my Christian walk, I was able to take an interest in reading my bible. Needless to say, I was so happy I became a member of the Apostolic Church of God 7th Day Ministries, where I seem to be moving up higher in the Lord day by day. I am now able to pray and fast, and with the Lord's help I am bringing many souls to Jesus.

However, recently satan thought he could have another go at me and put some sickness on my body, which I decided I did not want. I attended church as usual and asked Apostle Lake to pray for me. I had terrible diarrhoea and just felt very unwell. She prayed and I believed. Every sickness left my body and I received instant healing. Jesus is a healer and I am a witness to that fact.

In our ministry we plead the blood of Jesus, we call upon the name of Jesus and exercise authority in the wonderful name of Jesus and we are seeing miracles, signs and wonders. Sick people do come to our ministry but they do not remain sick, Jesus heals them as we minister in the name of Jesus.

God bless you.

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CHAPTER 10

THE PAULINE REVELATION OF WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST JESUS

WHY WE SHOULD USE THE NAME OF JESUS

1 Timothy 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

As I share this mystery with you may God help us to come up higher so that we may be the people Christ intended us to be.

The Lord Jesus revealed to the apostle Paul the secrets of our position in Christ. This mystery was hid from the patriarchs and prophets but is now revealed to God's church.

Matthew 13:11 Jesus answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

The revelation of the mysteries of Christ's kingdom is given to the Lord's people.

Ephesians 1:11, 13–14, 17–23 11. In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will. 13. And you also became God's people when you heard the true message, the good news that brought you salvation. You believed in Christ, and God put his stamp of ownership on you by giving you the Holy Spirit he had promised.

14. The Spirit is the guarantee that we shall receive what God has promised his people, and this assures us that God will give complete freedom to those who are his. Let us praise his glory. 17....and ask the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, to give you the Spirit, who will make you wise and reveal God to you, so that you will know him. I ask that your minds may be opened to see his light, so that you will know what is the hope to which he has called you, how rich are the wonderful blessings he promises his people, and how very great is his power at work in us who believe. The power working in us is the same as the mighty strength, 20. Which he used when he raised Christ from death and seated him at his right side in the heavenly world. 21. Christ rules there above all heavenly rulers, authorities, powers, and lords; he has a title superior to all titles of authority in this world and in the next. 22. God put all things under Christ's feet and gave him to the church as supreme Lord over all things. 23. The church is Christ's body, the completion of him who himself completes all things everywhere. [GNB].

The apostle Paul has received and passed on the revelation of what God has done for man in Christ to restore fellowship with the Father. The church has been sealed by the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is the guarantee that we shall receive what God has promised us. Paul has shared the revelation that Christ rules over all other rulers and his title and authority is superior to all other titles and authorities in this world and in the next.

As we let this sink into our spirits we can command things to happen in the name of Jesus. Since Christ's authority is superior to all other authorities, we can command satan and his demons to release the captives. They must bow to the name of Jesus. We must keep in mind that Jesus has delegated his superior authority to his church and we must use that authority.

All other powers are under our feet and must submit to the authority of the all powerful name of Jesus. We can, therefore, minister with confidence. In Ephesians 4:6 Paul reminds us that there is “one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.” What a revelation!! Our eyes have been enlightened to see that God is in us and because God is in us, when we use the name of Jesus in any situation the result Jesus would get is the positive result we will get. “If you ask anything in my name I will do it” [St John 14:14].

This name represents Jesus himself and we are complete in him, who is the head of all principality and power [Colossians 2:10]. When we minister the name of Jesus over adverse conditions we bring the fulness of the Godhead against them and they must bow. For God hath highly exalted Jesus and given him a name that 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 2:9–11]

The revelation here is that everything good and bad: in heaven [angels and archangels, cherubims and seraphims]; in earth [the entire human race and all of God’s earthly creation, birds, beasts, the seas and rivers and everything in them]; under the earth [satan and his hosts of hell]; must bow to the name of Jesus. Jesus has blessed the church with the authority to use his great and all powerful name.

It is to be understood here that we have all the power in the universe to combat and defeat the works of darkness, release the human race from bondage to sin and satan, and bring blessings upon kingdoms and nations. This power is the name of Jesus. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and

to do of his good pleasure [Philippians 2:13]. The miracles, signs and wonders are performed by Jesus and to him be all the glory and praise.

Here are a few more powerful scriptures to enlighten our understanding of who Jesus is, which should enable us to be bold in using the name of Jesus.

Colossians 1:15–19 15. Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: 16. For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions, principalities or powers, all things were created by him and for him. 17. And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. 18. And he is the head of the body, the church: Who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the pre-eminence. 19. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell.

Colossians 2:13–15 13. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; 14. Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that were against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross. 15. And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Ephesians 2:6–7 6. And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: 7. That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

We are seated together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, we are above principalities and powers and the devil and his demons are all under us, praise the Lord.

Summary:

[a] We are a people belonging to God.

[b] We are above all principalities and powers.

[c] Satan and his demons are under our feet.

[d] We have authority from Christ to defeat the works of darkness in the name of Jesus.

[e] We must use the name of Jesus in every situation and we are assured of constant victory.

[f] The name of Jesus is the highest and greatest name everywhere –in heaven, in earth and in hell.

[g] Demons tremble when we speak and minister in the name of Jesus.

[h] The battle for man's deliverance was won on Calvary's cross.

[i] We must use the name of Jesus with boldness and confidence.

[j] We must speak the name of Jesus loudly so the devil and his demons can hear [they do not know what we are thinking]: JESUS, JESUS, JESUS!!! and Whatsoever we do in word or deed, we must do all in the name of the Lord Jesus. [Colossians 3:17]

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CHAPTER 11

TESTIMONIES

Jesus Christ is Lord.

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. [Revelation 19:16].

I am going to testify again **[Apostle D M Lake]**

I had been saved for a few years. My son, Ronnie had been an asthma sufferer since he was about three or four years old. I was completely taken up in the service of the Lord. I believed Jesus with all my heart and depended on him for everything, like a small child who completely depends on his parents.

Ronnie was now about fourteen and a half years old and the opportunity had arisen for me to go on a mission trip with my two cousins and a Christian sister, to Holland. I left the children [at the time four of them] with my sister and my husband. [My sister was living in our house at the time.].

It was evening and the team that went to Holland was ministering in a home, delivering many people who were demonized. The Holy Spirit spoke to me clearly: Go and pray for your children. I obeyed and straightway went into another room to pray. The Holy Spirit anointed me to pray and I prayed until I felt a release. I was not sure what the matter was, but I knew something had gone wrong and that God had dealt with it. I got up off my knees and went back to do the Lord's work.

We were away for two weeks. We held meetings, prayed for the sick, drove out demons and saw the miracle working power of God. On one occasion on this mission trip, I experienced a heavy anointing from the Lord Jesus. It felt like someone had poured something cool on my head which blessed my whole being and the Lord worked mightily.

We returned home with all the good news. I was welcomed by my family and my sister told me what had happened: My son Ronnie had had a terrible attack of the evil asthma. He got really ill and breathless at about 10.00 pm. [That was about the time the Lord had told me to go and pray for the children whilst I was in Holland]. Ronnie got worse and completely lost consciousness. My sister, also a Christian, believed in the power of prayer. She believed with all her heart that the salvation given by the Lord Jesus Christ also brings healing, so she decided not to ring me with the bad news whilst I was on the mission field, but to pray.

Ronnie remained unconscious from about 10.00 pm until about 3.00 am. My sister prayed all night. She did not call a doctor, she believed God would heal my son and she persevered in prayer. I was at the same time praying in Holland, and the unity of prayer proved powerful to deliver. To Jesus be all the glory and praise, Ronnie took a deep breath at about 3.00 am. Jesus delivered him.

Thank God for the blood of Jesus, the name of Jesus, the word of God and the help of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said: If you ask anything in my name I will do it [St John 14:14] and he was, and is, always faithful to his word.

I have always depended upon the Lord Jesus Christ and he has never let me down. It would have been very terrible if

my son had died whilst I was on the mission field working for my Lord. Jesus did not let that happen. He had my interest at heart. To him be all the glory and praise.

I must testify, by Brother O

Thank God for the Apostolic Church of God 7th Day Ministries.

My papers were at the Immigration Office for over two years. I could not travel because I had no documents. News came from the Caribbean that my younger brother had died and I needed to travel there to organize the funeral. The responsibility for doing this was on me. I had contacted the Immigration Department several times asking them about my documents and what the position was. The documents were being dealt with, was their reply.

Going to the Caribbean was now urgent. My mother was waiting for me to come home and bury my brother. Where could I turn for help? I had already been advised to visit someone who practiced witchcraft. I went to him and spent money for his services but witchcraft did not bring the answer to my problem.

I was told about the ministry of Apostle Lake and her Christian workers. I was also told that in answer to their prayers, miracles, signs and wonders took place. Apostle Lake's telephone number was given to me and I was told to ring her. This I did. She asked what my problem was and I poured out my heart over the phone. She prayed for me. I was so worried that I rang again the following day and asked for more prayers. Apostle Lake prayed again and suggested that I attend the Thursday evening prayer house in Brixton [8 pm – 11 pm every Thursday].

This prayer house is a part of a national prayer network. I attended this on the Thursday evening of the same week of my phone calls. The brothers and sisters prayed prayers that I had never heard before. My partner who came along with me cried.

When the call was made for those who needed special prayers to come forward, my partner and I went. Apostle Lake showed us the way of salvation. We submitted our lives to the Lord and she prayed again that the Lord would give me good success and that the Immigration Department would send my documents to me quickly. Thank God for Jesus and thank God for prayers. A few days after the prayers were said, I heard from the Immigration Department with my documents. They had granted me British citizenship and wished me all the best. They outlined all the privileges and I was free to travel as I wished. To God be all the glory and praise.

I went back to the meeting the following Thursday evening, before I left for the West Indies, and gave my testimony of the miracle working power of God, and I thank the Lord for allowing Apostle Lake and her co-workers to minister to my needs.

I have decided to be a part of this anointed Apostolic Church of God 7th Day ministries.

Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Sister M B's testimony [paraphrased]

Praise the Lord. I had not worked for years. I looked at various advertisements for work and filled in several applica-

tion forms. I went for numerous interviews. I prayed. There were times I felt very discouraged but I continued praying.

After years of looking for employment, God would have a job opening advertised just for me. I filled in the application form and put it in the post. In time I was invited for an interview. This took place and I felt very confident that I had performed well and waited for the result. A letter arrived not very long after. “We are sorry you have not been successful, but we will keep your CV on file, when another vacancy arises we will inform you.” “Lord, let them create a job for me since I have not been given this one”, I said. Jesus heard my prayer. He hears and answers prayers if we ask in faith.

The following week the telephone rang. Miss B we have created a job for you, come in and see us. Needless to say, I was very excited. I gave the Lord thanks for his answer to my prayer and for his miracle working power. God had answered my prayer exactly as I had prayed. [“Lord let them create a job for me”].

My job is exciting and very enjoyable. My morale has been boosted and I now feel encouraged. I feel a sense of worth. Satan and his demons had tried to pull me down for years, but Jesus has lifted me up. I can now pay my bills and I feel such joy when I see my payslip with my name on it. Despite all the opposition from satan and his demons regarding my employment, I had never stopped pleading the blood of Jesus over my situation and I called upon the name of Jesus. My job was worth waiting for.

If you have been waiting for employment like I have, don't be discouraged. As long as you are a child of God, keep

calling upon the name of the Lord, plead the blood of Jesus to drive the demons away and wait upon the Lord. He will give you the best.

Psalm 121:1–2 1. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. 2. My help cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth.

**Another wonderful Testimony:
How the Lord delivered my grandson
baby Timothy : By Apostle D M Lake**

The Lord has just reminded me: You have not testified of how I delivered Timothy. I promised the Lord that I would testify of all the great things he has done for me, and is still doing for me, of his signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

It was winter time. I was in Birmingham at my daughter's home. Her husband was away on mission for the Lord and I was helping her look after Timmy and take care of the domestic chores. The baby was still very young, six weeks old. She had a difficult labour and was not fully recovered.

It was 3.00 am. I had just finished the ironing. Karen was downstairs. From where I stood to do the ironing, I could see the baby's every move in the cot and my daughter knew I would give an eye on Timmy. Everything was fine and I went into the bathroom as I normally do after my work. The bathroom taps were still running as I sat in the bath tub. Suddenly, I heard a knock on the bathroom door. "Open the door, Mummy, open the door, Timmy is choking." I jumped out of the bath. With no clothes on I took the baby out of

my daughter's hand. He was really choking and was very breathless. I tapped his back and shook him but he seemed to have got worse. I soon realized that the baby's condition was demonically initiated and I began to plead the blood of Jesus: the blood of Jesus, the blood of Jesus, the blood of Jesus. Karen began to cry as the baby got worse. I continued to plead the blood of Jesus.

"We must take Timmy down to the hospital", she said. I continued to plead the blood of Jesus and to bind those evil demons who were doing all they could to kill Timmy. I believed God and they would not be allowed to destroy the baby because Jesus was looking after us.

My daughter managed to slip a housecoat over me. My hair was covered for the bath but there was no time to comb it. She grabbed hold of the car keys and we travelled as fast as we could towards the hospital. I held the baby very tightly as I shouted out loudly: "Satan, I lift up the blood of Jesus against you. Loose my grandson; the blood of Jesus, the blood of Jesus, the blood of Jesus. The baby seemed to have got a slight relief but I continued to wrestle with the forces of darkness in the name of Jesus.

We got to the hospital. I held the baby closely in my arms, still pleading the blood of Jesus and driving away those evil spirits. The receptionist took some details. "We need a Paediatrician, quickly", I said. They called her. I was still praying and scattering the works of darkness. God must be glorified in this, I reasoned. As soon as the doctor came, the baby sneezed five times and brightened up, he was fine. By this time it was probably about 5.00 am. The doctor suggested we stayed a little longer at the hospital to ensure the

baby was going to be all right. They did all the necessary tests but there was nothing to find.

In the meantime my daughter went home to get some clothes for me and the baby. When the doctor came on duty, who would be working for the day, she discharged Timmy.

One of the elders, Evangelist B said that at about 3.00 am on that particular night as he was praying, the Spirit of the Lord showed him several demons outside my daughter's home. He alerted his wife and they went into prayer on her behalf. I praise the Lord Jesus for being so protective of his children. To you Jesus be all the praise and glory. Satan watches us and looks for opportune moments when he can throw his fiery darts at us, but Jesus has told us to watch.

At the time this happened, I was travelling to my daughter's home every week and would remain there from Saturday evening until Wednesday afternoon. On that particular Wednesday afternoon I was packed and ready to travel back to London. Karen had called a minicab to take me to the station to travel back by train and I was waiting for the minicab. For the reason that Jesus knew, my daughter said to me, "Mummy I am going home with you, I am not staying here on my own with Timmy. I will drive us to London." However, it was very cold and the roads were icy. "We can go tomorrow morning, we will leave early", she said. "That is all right with me", I said, and I stayed.

The devil and his demons and the witches and warlocks and evil people knew I would have left for London and they thought I had gone. Thank God, Jesus held me in the house on that Wednesday night to help my daughter. She would have

been on her own. She would have panicked. She would not have been able to drive to the hospital because the baby was breathless and she could not have put him in his car chair. There would have been no time for this anyhow. How would Karen have managed? Praise God for Jesus and for his precious blood which I did not stop pleading until Timothy was delivered. Jesus knows how to protect us. He has said in Hebrews 13:5.....I will never leave thee nor forsake thee. He has also said in Matthew 28:20.....and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Jesus will see you through every condition of life if you will trust him, and when satan comes to you, to steal and kill and destroy you, plead the blood of Jesus and scatter those evil spirits.

God bless you.

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CONCLUSION

Praise the Lord. Revelation 19:6 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

I hope I have been able to share in this book what the Lord has revealed to me about the wonderful name of Jesus. I have, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, dug into scripture since Jesus is the word of God.

I feel confident that all who read this book will meet the Lord Jesus on a higher level and that the name of Jesus will be powerful to open the understanding of readers to enable them to have a closer relationship with Christ.

I believe this book will lead the reader to really know who Jesus is, his power and his great love for man; that having given the church authority to use his name, he has given us himself; that this knowledge will cause the reader to go out and do exploits for Christ.

I pray that the Lord Jesus will give believers a deeper desire to study the bible and pray for anointing to boldly use the name of Jesus and help those people for whom Christ gave himself. May the Lord help everyone to know that the wonderful name of Jesus covers every area of this life: that it is the complete way to victory, and the way to fit us for the life to come.

I conclude with the following scripture:

Revelation 19:11–16 11. And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful

and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. 12. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. 13. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood and his name is called the Word of God. 14. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. 15. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Now that you have gone through all these reading give Jesus a chance in your life and recieve his life. It is very easy for the asking: Lord be merciful to me a sinner. You are now justified and ready to recieve all that the name of Jesue has for you. You can call upon him at any time, in any situation, any where. He will never let you down.

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Praise his wonderful name.

Appendix 1

THE PRE-EXISTENCE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

St John 1:1–3 1. In the beginning was the word and the word was with God. 2. The same was in the beginning with God. 3. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.

St John 1:14 And the word was made flesh and dwelt among us [and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father], full of grace and truth.

St John 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was I am.

Exodus 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I am that I am: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Daniel 3:23–25 23. And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down bound into the midst of the fire. 24. Then Nebuchadnezzar, the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True O king. 25. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

Acts 7:37–38 37. This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear.

38. This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the Mount Sina and with our fathers, who received the lively oracles to give unto us.

Philippians 2:6–8 6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

CHRIST THE CREATOR

Hebrews 1:1–3 1. God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2. Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; 3. Who being in the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him.

Ephesians 3:9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world, hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 8:6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

St John 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.

JEHOVAH OF THE OLD TESTAMENT IS JESUS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

[1] **Jehovah** Psalm 102:22–28 25. Of old hast thou laid the foundations of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

Jesus Hebrews 1:8–12 10. And thou Lord in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

[2] **Jehovah** Habakkuk 2:3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

Jesus Hebrews 10:37 For yet a little while and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.

[3] **Jehovah** Haggai 2:6 For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land.

Jesus Hebrews 12:26 Whose voice then shook the earth, but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

[4] **Jehovah** Psalm 45:6–7 6. Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

Jesus Hebrews 1:8–9 8. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God is for ever and ever, a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

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Appendix 2

JESUS CHRIST IS GOD AND LORD

THE NAMES OF GOD

Yaweh/Jehovah: I am that I am

Exodus 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I am that I am.

Jehovah Elohim: Majesty and power

Genesis 17:3 And Abram fell on his face and God talked with him.

Jehovah Elyon: Most High God

Genesis 14:19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the Most High God, possessor of heaven and earth.

El Shaddai: The Almighty God

Genesis 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God, walk before me and be thou perfect.

Jehovah Repheka: The Lord our healer

Exodus 15:26 And he said, If thou wilt diligently hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.

Jehovah Tsebaoth: The Lord of hosts [a man of war]

Revelation 12:7-8 7. And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon

fought and his angels. 8. And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

1 Samuel 17:45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied.

Jehovah Rohi: The Lord is my shepherd
Psalm 23:1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Jehovah Shalom: The Lord our peace
Ephesians 2:14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us.

Jehovah Shama: The Lord is there
Ezekiel 48:35 It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of the city from that day shall be, The Lord is there.

Jesus is always there for us. For he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.[Hebrews 13:5].

These names show us the nature of God and his ministry in our lives and we give him thanks for this. God bless you.

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Appendix 3

THEY CAN'T REMOVE MY NAME

Philippians 2:9–11 9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name: 10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

1 Samuel 5:2–4 2. When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon. 3. And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of the Lord. And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again. 4. And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of the Lord, and the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands were cut off upon the threshold; only the stump of Dagon was left to him.

The system in which we live today has decided it wants nothing to do with Jesus, the Christ. His holy name is therefore removed from our schools, colleges, universities, hospitals, hotels, airports and wherever people are likely to be helped by this great name.

Satan and his demons know about the power contained in this precious name. The devil has come to steal, to kill and to destroy. He is well aware that JESUS is the only name that can save people from their imprisonment, and he surely does know that when people are saved he is under their

feet. His desire is, therefore, to remove the saving name from wherever human beings may see it. A believer who lives in line with the word of God is dangerous to the devil.

I was talking to the Lord in December 2005 and reminding the Lord, with great sadness of heart, how they have removed his great and wonderful name from all the places where it used to be. The Lord spoke to my heart with the truth, that they cannot remove his name, because from everlasting to everlasting he is God and his name is spirit and life. The Lord ministered to me to tell the saints and ministers everywhere to call his name, “JESUS”, out loud in our assemblies and teach the saints to call this name wherever they are at all times: call the name of Jesus in their homes, at work, in the shops, on the buses, on the trains, just about everywhere. The Lord said we should send the name of Jesus back into the places from where they have attempted to remove it. This is the way to minister the name of Jesus:

- I send the name of Jesus into the schools: JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS.
- I send the name of Jesus into the prisons: JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS.
- I send the name of Jesus into the idolatrous pagan temples: JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS.
- Down they fall, those idols!! Praise the Lord.

This is an example. You can repeat the name of Jesus as many times as you like after sending it.

Now get to work and send the name of Jesus in every area of society from where the demons have set about removing it. After you have done this, give Jesus all the praise, honour and glory. Heaven will honour what you have done and

the name of Jesus will remain where you have sent it. This is spiritual work, do it for the Lord's praise. The Spirit of the Lord will speak to the hearts of people wherever his name is, and they will be reminded that he only, is the true God, who will deliver them.

The ark of the covenant, representing the word of God, [Jesus is the word of God: In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God and the word was God, John 1:1] was placed in the pagan temple alongside the idol, Dagon. Dagon fell under the power of the holy name of Jesus. Those demons had to bow. Not only so, at one point the head and hands of Dagon were cut off. The name of Jesus brings Jesus' enemies [Jesus' enemies are also our enemies] to nothing. This powerful name destroys the enemies of righteousness. This great name disgraces them.

Now send the name of Jesus into satan's office in the heav- enlies and spoil his evil plans. Send Jesus's name through- out the earth and under the earth: JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS and spoil all the plans of the enemy and cripple the works of the demons. Removing the name of Jesus? Not at all, when satan and his emissaries hear the Lord's holy peo- ple shouting out this wonderful name, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, JESUS, they become powerless and flee. Heaven bears record when the saints send this majestic, warring name back into the system, and all of heaven stand alongside the Lord's people. Dagon must bow and fall. Bow, Dagon, bow; fall Dagon, fall!!! We have the victory again and again. We have crushed the tempter's power. Praise the Lord.

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