

DEPRESSION CONQUERED IN JESUS' NAME

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Depression is one of the most common conditions that can affect us.

Most of us suffer from depression at one time or other. If unchecked, it can lead to all kinds of problems.

Depression is an attack on our mind and quite frequently the origin of the attack is demonic.

On our website we have an excellent book called, "Deliverance from Depression". You can download this book from our website for free.

It is an amazing story of how a woman feeling totally depressed tried to commit suicide on two occasions and was only saved by last-minute medical intervention.

She had an obsession about her ancestry and had researched at great length her family tree. This obsession gradually became worse and she began to hear voices.

She was afraid to go into crowds and became more and more isolated.

Although she went to church, she had made no public commitment to Jesus Christ. However, in one of my evangelistic meetings she did so. Immediately there was an improvement in her condition, although she continued to suffer from time to time.

She had not taken her public commitment any further than the one meeting but as she began to think about the Lord, she found small improvements taking place.

Finally she surrendered herself more and more to the Lord but still suffered from some attacks.

She came to me for prayer and I discerned that the issue was her obsession with ancestors.

In the authority of the name of Jesus Christ, I cut this spirit off and during the next few weeks she came into her full healing.

The obvious lesson from all of this is the fact that as she surrendered more and more to Jesus Christ she was turning more and more to the light of God. As this light began to penetrate every part of her being demonic powers started to flee. A quick deliverance settled the problem.

1 John 1:7 says, "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."

The testimony of Paul the Apostle says it all. When Jesus appeared to Paul on the Damascus Road He said:

"I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me." (Acts 26:17-18.)

It is that 180° turn, from darkness to light, from the power of Satan to the power of God which precipitates the miracles of God for healing and deliverance.

We can inherit the spirit of depression from our parents and ancestors if we do not honour our mother and father and forgive them. (Deuteronomy 27:16).

Among the curses set out in Deuteronomy 28 is the spirit of depression. "The LORD will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of heart." (Deuteronomy 28:28.)

The wording here refers to confusion of heart. This in effect is depression.

The remedy is total surrender to Jesus Christ repenting from all sin and calling upon the name of the Lord.

"Anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, But a good word makes it glad." (Proverbs 12:25.)

Finally, we are told to bring every thought in captivity to the obedience of Christ.

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." (2 Corinthians 10:4-5.)

This sums it all up. Whenever you feel under attack from depression begin to praise God from your heart. Do it aloud. As you do so and keep trusting, the enemy will flee.

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