Experiencing Deliverance

Learn who you are (that is why you need to confront the devil)

A soldier (also brother and fellow worker) A free man or woman (Gal 5:1)

Recognize the enemy

Know the devil and demons are real Prayer for the ability to discern them Learn signs and symptoms of demons

Understand the work of the Cross

The devil was disarmed (Col 2:13-25). He no longer has the authority to harass us

Authority over the devil, which belongs to Jesus, has been shared with us (Matt 28:18-20)

Live the life of a soldier by confronting personal demons

Ask the Lord where demons are harassing you (Recognize and discern them. Look for compulsion or uncontrolled behavior).

Repent of any personal sin, especially unforgiveness.

Discern any non personal sin that may be related (especially family curses).

Address the demon and tell it to leave - it has no place in your life. Freedom is your new heritage as a child of God.

Build up strongholds that stand against the oppression from which you were delivered. See and receive the blessing the Lord intends in place of the curse.

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1. Learn Who You Are

(That is, why you need to confront the devil)

You cannot stand against the enemy unless you first understand your identity in Christ. You are not a victim—you are a redeemed child of God.

A Soldier of Christ

- "Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus." 2 Timothy 2:3
- "Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes." Ephesians 6:11
- "I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need" [PhI 2:25 ESV]

A Free Man or Woman

- "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery." Galatians 5:1
- o Freedom is your inheritance; bondage has no rightful place in your life.

2. Recognize the Enemy

Deliverance begins with discernment—knowing that the enemy is real but also defeated.

Know the Devil and Demons Are Real

- "Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour." — 1 Peter 5:8
- "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." — Ephesians 6:12

• Pray for the Ability to Discern Them

- "But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil." **Hebrews 5:14**
- "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault." — James 1:5

Learn the Signs and Symptoms of Demons

- Jesus recognized and addressed unclean spirits throughout His ministry: "When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to Him, and He drove out the spirits with a word." — Matthew 8:16
- The fruit of oppression includes confusion, torment, fear, compulsion, and self-destructive patterns (*Mark 5:1-15*).

3. Understand the Work of the Cross

Deliverance is not a new victory—it is the *application* of the victory Jesus already won.

• The Devil Was Disarmed

- "Having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross." — Colossians 2:15
- "You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies." [Jhn 8:44 ESV] Satan's authority was broken at Calvary. He now operates only through deception and lies

Authority Over the Devil Shared with Believers

- "Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations..." — Matthew 28:18-20
- "I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you." — Luke 10:19

4. Live the Life of a Soldier by Confronting Personal Demons

Deliverance is a process of declaring Christ's victory and casting out demons in every area of your life that is oppressed.

• Ask the Lord What Demons Are Harassing You

- "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts." — Psalm 139:23-24
- "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." — 2 Timothy 1:7

• Repent of Any Personal Sin (Especially Unforgiveness)

- "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." — 1 John 1:9
- "Forgive, and you will be forgiven." Luke 6:37
- Unforgiveness keeps doors open to oppression (*Matthew 18:21-35*).

• Discern and Renounce Non-Personal Sin (Family or Generational Patterns)

- "You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children..." Exodus 20:5
- Through Christ, these curses are broken: "Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us." — Galatians 3:13

Address the Demon and Command It to Leave

- "In My name they will drive out demons." Mark 16:17
- "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."—
 James 4:7

Freedom Is Your New Heritage

- o "If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." John 8:36
- "For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship." — Romans 8:15

"They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."

— Revelation 12:11