



# Spiritual Warfare

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## Introduction

Over the last few years we have become increasingly aware of how little the body of Christ in general understands about dealing with our spiritual enemies. Many seem to stand in awe of what the devil can do and if they were confronted with a real live demon, most would hurry away - if not take flight.

Some years ago, while standing in the local Christian book shop, I happened to remark on how many more books there were on spiritual warfare. A man standing at the counter whirled round with such a look of alarm on his face. When he left the shop I said to the assistant "Wow, that caused a reaction, didn't it!" "Yes", she said "Many Christians are not happy with that subject."

Why should this be so, when we know that if we submit ourselves to God and resist the devil, he has to run away from us? It would be so good if every Christian was living in the victorious fullness of what our Lord Jesus accomplished for us by His death on the cross and subsequent resurrection.

The Bible tells us that we wrestle with powers and principalities: it doesn't say that we could or we should, but that we do, whether we like it or not. We know that if there are two wrestlers in a ring, only one can be the winner.

Much of this book is testimony concerning our own warfare against the powers and principalities. We would not expect you to have exactly the same experiences because we serve a diverse God who will give each of us our own unique experiences. Peter came back saying "even the demons submit to us in Your name" - yet no two people would have exactly the same experience. Having said that, we are sharing our experiences in order to encourage you to boldly go, as we have all been instructed to.

Added to this, we would like to encourage our readers by showing the absolute freedom from any worry or fear of any kind regarding this subject. In Luke 10 v 19 we read "Behold I give you authority to trample on serpents and scorpions ... nothing shall by any means hurt you." However, before we start any kind of deliverance we always cover every member of our family and that of the person being delivered with the precious blood of Jesus and we adjust our armour so that there are no chinks for the enemy to get at us. That's very important.

This book is not going to provide a list of curses or demons to be dealt with. It is not going to be the definitive handbook giving method or practice but we all will, in the course of our Christian walk, read and learn more on this subject all the time. Let this book merely serve as an encouragement to get on with the job, without fear, for the sake of our Christian brothers and sisters.

It is good to remember that everything that has a name has to bow to the Name that is above all Names — that of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To those desiring to participate properly in this, one of the most important aspects of the Christian walk, we hope this will be encouraging and refreshing. May the Holy Spirit quicken the subject matter to all the readers of this booklet - all to the glory of our wonderful Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Chapter 1

### An Occult Fair

In the 1970s there was an occult fair at the hotel where Women's Aglow and FGBMFI held their regular meetings. A lady telephoned me saying "dare we ever use that place again for our meetings?" I would rather think it should be the other way around. The occultists should be wary of using the same place that born-again, spirit-filled Christians use!

So I decided to go along to this fair and asked the man running it if I could have a stall there. He said I could and then asked me what I do. "Divine healing" I replied. He then asked me what group I belonged to. I told him we were born-again Christians: " - and you want to have a stall here?!!" he asked incredulously. Then he went on to tell me "Of course, you Christians have got no power or understanding - you're hardly even beginners". "Is that right?" I said. He went on to boast that he and his 'cronies' have all the power, knowledge and understanding of spiritual things. So I informed him that we were looking to raise people from the dead in the name of Jesus. Boy, did he react! "Oh no, you mustn't get involved in that - that's far too dangerous!!

Maybe these people who serve our arch enemy only have the power to curse, not to bless. We know that the devil can't heal anyone - he can only take back what he gave them in the first place.

The Lord showed us plainly that the local witches were cursing us through a mirror and then breaking the mirror so that the curse couldn't be sent back. However, we don't send them back, we just break their power and then pray a prayer of blessing on the witches and claim their salvation in the name of Jesus Christ.

Some years ago, all the members of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International (FGBMFI) Chapter in Essex had blackbirds (with wooden skewers through them) pushed through their letterboxes. My response to that was "Hallelujah, we must be doing something right for these satanists to be so upset with us!" The FGBMFI men broke their power and rendered the curses null and void in the name of Jesus Christ.

We know from scripture that an undeserved curse cannot alight. "..... AN UNDESERVED CURSE DOES NOT COME TO REST". (Proverbs 26 v 2.) (NIV)

Many say that we can't or shouldn't talk to demons - but that's not what Jesus said. He sent them out with all the power just as He sent out the 70 and they came back saying "even the demons are subject to us in Your name". Of course, the name of Jesus Christ is our only power and authority.

So, each of us needs an assurance, a deep-rooted certainty about our place in this warfare and we get that from reading the word, listening to the Holy Spirit and reading the right kind of explanatory books.

All this of course is for building our faith so that when the moment of battle comes we are prepared to stand and see off the enemy. You may be surprised at first how incredibly easy it actually is - because the demons have to obey a command in the name of Jesus Christ and they know it. **HAVING DISARMED THE PRINCIPALITIES AND POWERS MAKING A SPECTACLE OF THEM.** (Col 2 v 15.) We will endeavour to show our readers the various kinds of enemy but it is imperative to listen to the Holy Spirit at all times. It is not possible to operate in

the flesh in any way for these areas.

Before anyone ventures into spiritual warfare, they need to have a close liaison with the Holy Spirit. Also they need to make sure every member of their family is covered afresh with the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ to protect them.

What if anyone makes a mistake or rushes in too quickly - or does any other foolish thing? We are in a state of grace and our Lord will mop up all your mistakes, as He does ours and every Christian's errors. We try to get it right, obviously, but I think it is true to say that most Christians usually learn from their mistakes, rather than their triumphs.

We have all heard about the Christian who is so heavenly minded he is no earthly use - but it seems that most Christians are so earthly minded they are no heavenly use. There is a place for balance here and that is only achieved by a very close walk with the Holy Spirit.

Thinking back to years ago, when we first went into Muslim countries we were so naïve. That would seem to be a drawback, yet years on we have learned that having an understanding in the natural is not always such a good thing. It is only complete dependence on the Holy Spirit which will bring us all through in the most amazing ways.

I SEND YOU AS LAMBS AMONGST WOLVES. (Luke 10 v 3).

That pre-supposes that not knowing is no drawback. Our Lord Holy Spirit, who is indwelling, will carry us through any situation. We don't need to read the Koran before we can speak to a Muslim.

We are sons of God with all of heaven at our disposal and all the power of the Holy Spirit, provided we walk according to Him. (Romans 8.) We would like to encourage everyone to begin their adventure in deliverance and spiritual warfare.

## Chapter 2

### Minor Elements

The lesser beings in the devil's hierarchy tend to be ghosts, poltergeists, etc. External things to humans but those that inhabit places. Like most evil spirits, they are territorial and reside in an old house or home, pub or castle, etc. We hear of many such places that are, for want of a better word, haunted.

These demons are quite easy to deal with. Once when I was delivering something to a house in Gillingham, I felt a presence on the floor above. I asked the lady of the house what it was and she told me an old lady often stood on the landing. I asked her if she would like me to get rid of it. "Oh yes", she said, "We don't like her at all".

So I simply went up to the landing and spoke to a being that I could not see and told it firmly to go, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ - and not to come back! Some while later I met the lady's daughter and she confirmed that the "ghost" had gone.

Once in Chicago, I was in the house of some Christians who told me that it had once been owned by witches. It was a timber-framed building and the new owner found an urn with ashes in it behind one of the wood panels. He had disposed of the urn but in the place where it had been, a shadow of it still remained on the inner wall.

Our own common sense tells us that if an urn or vase was left on a shelf for 100 years, a shadow would never appear after it had been removed. This was occultish and just an attempt to instil fear into the current owners of the house. This is usually all the enemy can do. We broke the power of the curse and told all malevolent spirits to go in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ - and the shadow disappeared.

Because we are dealing with the spirit realm, that doesn't preclude us from using our common sense. Try not to get worked up or excited, but calmly approach each situation in a common sense manner but listening intently to the Holy Spirit.

In view of the nature of this subject, there are many who say that only senior ministers, pastors, or those specially trained should do these things - but that's not what God's Word says. Jesus sent out the 72, even before they had been baptised in the Holy Spirit, and they came back saying "Even the demons are subject to us in Your name."

Therefore, it can be clearly seen that all born-again believers could be involved - yet here I would like to bring a word of caution.

There have been times when believers have had bad effects from being involved in deliverance. Here again a little common sense should prevail.

I recall a "big-name" speaker came to one of our meetings and made fun of the devil. Everyone was laughing, but the next day, several of the "baby" Christians were sick. What he had said was OK for most but for some, the word was not met with faith.

Another time, one of our "baby" Christians was in a meeting where we were being taught how to bring down powers and principalities. The next day on the train to London, he came against all the powers at every place the train passed through. The following day he was

taken ill with pleurisy.

He had not been told to go to war against these powers and it was not his remit. It is for the Christians living in those places to police their own area continuously - under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and in a group.

We know of another young Christian blessed with the gift of being able to see demon spirits. At first he indiscriminately kicked them all out without filling the person with the Holy Spirit afterwards. That was a mistake because if it is not done under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they can return with many more, worse than the original ones. WHEN AN EVIL SPIRIT COMES OUT OF A MAN, IT GOES THROUGH ARID PLACES SEEKING REST AND DOES NOT FIND IT. THEN IT SAYS, 'I WILL RETURN TO THE HOUSE I LEFT. WHEN IT ARRIVES, IT FINDS THE HOUSE UNOCCUPIED, SWEEPED CLEAN AND PUT IN ORDER. THEN IT GOES AND TAKES WITH IT SEVEN OTHER SPIRITS MORE WICKED THAN ITSELF, AND THEY GO IN AND LIVE THERE. AND THE FINAL CONDITION OF THAT MAN IS WORSE THAN THE FIRST. THAT IS HOW IT WILL BE WITH THIS WICKED GENERATION.'" (Matt 12 v 43-45.)

Our Lord Jesus also sent His disciples out in twos and of course that is a pattern for a common sense approach to any deliverance or spiritual warfare. However, a situation may arise when you are on your own and then you will just perform normally and naturally as a fully qualified son of God. Having said that, if you were going to someone's house to do deliverance, you would obviously take someone with you.

Having advised readers not to worry or be over-concerned, let us share how and what the Lord may do when He instigates deliverance.

Once, when praying for a man at a meeting, he appeared to be slain in the spirit. While he was lying on the floor, the Holy Spirit said to me "I didn't do that". Now, if the Holy Spirit didn't do it, who did? It was a demon. All the time the man is comatose, we cannot deal with him or it. So we carried the man into another room (we don't allow the devil any glory or disruption of our meetings). We just waited till the man came round and then bound the spirits and forbade them to speak, in the name of Jesus Christ. Then we proceeded to deliver him.

Although I wasn't aware immediately, I realised as I got in my car that that demon had come and perched on my shoulder. When I got home it left me, for our house was clean and no spirits are allowed to enter there. However, as I got back in the car the following morning, there it was on my shoulder again. So I drove off down the motorway praising the Lord in tongues: the demon found it too hot and suddenly "blipped" off my shoulder like squeezing a cherry pip.

Clearly the Holy Spirit was involved because if He had not told me that He didn't slay that man, I would not have known. The outcome is always one for giving praise to the Lord and glory to Jesus.

That incident all those years ago, taught me when delivering a person, to always command the demons to go to the place Jesus has prepared for them so that they don't hang around the house or building you are in and latch onto someone else. They like to choose a young person or baby - with the idea that they can live there a long time.

It is always advisable for younger Christians (in born-again years) to learn from more mature and preferably experienced Christians when doing deliverance. As in all aspects of the

Christian walk, we must keep listening to the Holy Spirit - all the time.

## Chapter 3

### Personal Demons

The theology of some Christians does not allow for a Christian to be able to have a demon in residence. Experience proves this not to be the case and some may very well find themselves having to deliver brothers and sisters in the Lord. We have, on many occasions, been requested to deliver the children of Christian parents.

Of course, permission of the one being delivered is required. If permission is not given, the demons in residence have the right to remain there. For instance, many Christians carry a religious and a self-righteous spirit. (Hackles will rise when reading this if the reader has them.)

Sexual misconduct spirits can be enjoyed by their hosts and until the Holy Spirit convicts them of the sinfulness and they come to the place of repentance and seeking help, no help can be given. Also, the alcoholic has to reach the place where he/she knows that they have a problem and want the demons removed before any deliverance can be carried out.

Where children are concerned, their parents have the last word regarding deliverance. We have had tremendous results dealing with uncontrollable children.

Peter (not his real name) was three. He had been expelled from nursery school for terrible behaviour towards the other children and the teacher. His parents were at their wit's end and they contacted us. We just sat quietly with him and told the demon to go in the name of Jesus Christ. We cut him free from all curses and from all un-Godly ties. On the following Sunday at church (in a back room) we just spoke to more demons and ordered them out of him. Each time, we filled him with the Holy Spirit afterwards. When his mother took him back to nursery school they could hardly believe the change in him and asked "what did you do? Did you change his diet?" That gave her an opportunity (which she took) to give testimony about the love of Jesus.

We don't have to shout at demons - they are not deaf! There is no point in praying in tongues at them - they don't understand!

There was a little girl who, whenever our grandson did anything to upset her while playing outside, she just lashed out at him and often really hurt him. We asked her mother if we could pray deliverance for her and she responded "Oh yes please!". Again, we just spoke quietly but firmly to the demons and instructed them to leave and told them where to go. Then we asked the Holy Spirit to fill the empty places left by the demons.

The next day our daughter was watching the children play and our grandson accidentally pushed the front wheel of his bike into her. She just smiled and said "Oh Lukie". Our daughter could hardly believe the change in her. The little girl told her mummy "When that man prayed for me, I saw lots of black snakes wriggling away from me". No-one else saw them.

The main thrust of our ministry is evangelism. The way we carry out our task is by breaking people free from the blinding of the god of this world. **THE GOD OF THIS AGE HAS BLINDED THE MINDS OF UNBELIEVERS, SO THAT THEY CANNOT SEE THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL OF THE GLORY OF CHRIST.** (2 Cor 4 v 4) See our book entitled "Evangelism - it's Easy".

When evangelising, we often cut people free (with the sword of the Spirit) from lying, deceiving spirits, curses and whatever the Holy Spirit reveals. Then we ask the Holy Spirit to reveal Jesus to the person. After all, He is the only one who can do it. Having prayed in this way, most accept Jesus as their Saviour and Lord by saying the "sinner's prayer". It could be called "Evangelism by Deliverance".

For most people in the world there is a need for this kind of prayer before they can receive salvation and in fact there is a chapter in our book explaining how so many baby Christians come into the Kingdom of God carrying so much rubbish. If they were cut free from it at the time of their new birth, much less counselling and other time-consuming work would be required with them.

Another case where a house spirit (a poltergeist perhaps) was manifesting to a little girl of 4. She called this demon "Sssh" because that's what it said every time before it spoke to her. The child would throw her dinner on the floor, have terrible temper tantrums and switch off the TV when the family was watching, saying "Sssh told me to do it". We cleansed the house and then delivered the child. She was transformed and from then on, her behaviour was what one would expect from such a beautiful child.

On another occasion, three of us went to minister to a lady who was full of all kinds of woes and problems. She was crying and there did not seem to be a lot we could say or do other than pray for her.

As we were sitting there, I could see the staircase and I realised there was a steady progression of demons going up and down the stairs. When I asked her about them, she replied "Oh, this house used to be a brothel". One would not even want to imagine the filthy dirty spirits in that house. We cleansed the whole house in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, from the top to the basement, and commanded the demons to go to the place Jesus has prepared for them.

Only the Holy Spirit could have shown me all those demons - and having received the information from Father God, we have been given the power to do the spiritual cleaning out.

What we have talked about thus far are the lesser beings in the demon hierarchy who appear to move easily; however, please don't be put off if what you confront the first time seems entrenched or difficult. You (if you are a spirit-filled Christian) have the authority to deal with all demons in the name of Jesus Christ. You have the power of God's Holy Spirit in you, whether you feel as though you have or not. Just know it.

These beings know exactly who you are but what they are looking for is to see if YOU know who you are! If your body language says 'I'm not sure' and if your voice doesn't sound too sure, these demons will ignore you, knowing that firm faith does not back your words.

Many years ago a young Christian man who was not baptised in the Holy Spirit, went to Africa as a missionary. It wasn't long before he met a demon. He knew he had to cast it out so he told it go in the name of Jesus. The demon spoke and told him "You can't tell me to do that". "Why?" said the young missionary. "Because you're a sinner" said the demon. The young man assented that it was true, so could do nothing.

We don't talk to demons and we don't allow them to speak. They will always find 101 reasons why we can't kick them out but they are not true reasons. The young man should have said

something like "I am not going to discuss this with you - I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus and all my sin has been washed away by the blood of Jesus Christ. Now come out from there in Jesus' mighty name!"

Some Christians do talk to the enemy but the demons only lie - listen to The Boss. The only voice we listen to while doing deliverance is that of the Holy Spirit because He gives us correct and very useful information.

## Chapter 4

### How demons are transferred

We make it a rule never to take children to funerals. Most people harbour demons of some kind and they leave the corpse and are looking for a new host and they look for the youngest with a view to staying in them for a long time. Of course, it's not only at funerals that demons get passed on - they can travel from one to another during sexual intercourse (because the couple becomes 'one flesh').

How often we see the same problems being carried down from father to son/daughter and mother to son/daughter, eg alcoholism, miscarriage, anger, etc. Sometimes it is in the genes but often it is caused by generational curses.

The wonderful thing in dealing with Christians is that they now belong to a new family - and we tell the demons just that.

While ministering in Florida, a lady told my wife that she had a terrible pain in her back just like a knife sticking in her. It was so bad that her husband could not even cuddle her. The Holy Spirit told my wife that the cause was freemasonry. (One of the rites in freemasonry involves a dagger being held behind the blindfolded initiate while pronouncing what would happen if the initiate spoke about their secrets.)

My wife, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, broke the curse and pulled out the spiritual dagger. The lady was instantly healed and her husband was able to cuddle her for the first time for ages.

In fact, she said the pain had started on the anniversary of her father's death (her father had been a freemason). The devil uses anniversaries to attack Christians so do be aware of this and pray against it.

The freemasons speak many curses at the time of initiation and those who join the craft are beguiled into thinking it can do no harm, but their families suffer the effects of the curses for years and generations afterwards - that is if the curses are not broken in the name of Jesus. Sadly there are Christians who are members of the 'secret gang', and their Christian walk is stifled and problematical as a result.

Another ruse of our arch-enemy is to infiltrate witches into Christian churches. That doesn't mean we have to begin a witch-hunt in our churches: we are told to leave the tares to grow up with the wheat: and who knows, they might get saved! Some do. Praise the Lord!

I remember once going to a church where the gifts of the Holy Spirit were not acknowledged or believed in. A lady two pews in front of me just keeled over in the pew - just because I was there. The demons knew they could fool the people in that church but it wanted to get me into trouble. After the service I prayed quietly for her but the Minister told me off for interfering and said they could handle it by themselves - which they couldn't because they had no power.

It transpired that this lady was a witch and we understand that she sometimes had the leadership out to her house at 2 am to minister to her sicknesses. She led them a merry dance for a long time but when they gave up dancing to her tune, she moved on to another powerless church and did the same thing again.

A situation of a similar nature came about when we attempted to pray for a man in the High Street who was clearly an alcoholic. We invited him to our church. A couple of weeks later he appeared in church at the end of the morning service, to ask for money. He did not see me but I heard him telling his sad tale of woe to one of the ladies and the pastor. The lady said "Oh you poor man" and went to put her hand on his head to pray for him. "Don't touch him sister" I said. The demonised man turned and saw me and said "Oh no, not you again". The game was up - he was rumbled and was told there would be no money for drink but we would be happy to buy him a meal. He made a hurried exit, along with his demons.

Christians are big-hearted, generous and loving people, and I trust that will never change, but we must be aware of the devil's tricks. We must listen to the Lord at all times and not be too quick to lay hands on a demonised person because they can so easily transfer to us. If they do, we must get rid of them immediately before they 'take root'.

This happened to us in the High Street one day when we would not buy 'lucky heather' from a gypsy lady: she touched my arm in a deliberate way and we knew what she had done so we immediately broke the curse in the name of Jesus.

When doing deliverance we never touch the person involved until all the demons are gone - and then we place our hand on their head and ask the Holy Spirit to fill the empty spaces left behind. That is very important.

When we get a red light flashing in our spirit and a question mark over what someone is doing in a church that looks like manipulation we must be aware that this is a sin of witchcraft. It does not mean they are witches but that is the particular demon at work, preventing love from prevailing. "By their fruit you shall know them."

Many in the organised churches are caught up with religious spirits, false teaching, rule keeping, 'church politics', jealousy, cliques, etc, etc. In our travels we find ourselves in many different churches all over the world.

During one of our visits to Australia, we were taken to a church where I stood for a while in the car park, trying to discern the prevailing spirit. Then we went inside and I was introduced to the pastor and he introduced me to the under-pastor. As I shook hands with the under-pastor it was like an electric shock going up my arm. He had a spirit that said he wanted to take over the church. Later I asked my host if he could confirm a word of knowledge for me. When I told him what it was he said "Boy, have you hit the nail on the head!"

At the end of the service I prayed for both the pastors: I had the senior pastor hold out his hands palms up as though he was offering something and had the under-pastor hold out his hands with palms down and his fingers were like claws grabbing something. I explained it was fragile and if he takes what is being offered in that way he will crush it. It transpired that the pastor had already offered him his own church but he had refused. He had a divisive spirit and had already spoiled the youth group and was now out to destroy the house groups.

You may ask "Why has all this been included in a book about deliverance?" Well, we need to be ready to encourage, warn or share as the Holy Spirit imparts knowledge to us: but it must always been done in a loving way. If it can't be said lovingly then it would probably not be right to say anything at all.

It is SO important that we NEVER judge or condemn anyone. Satan condemns (and we are

not going to do his job for him) - God convicts, lovingly.

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## CHAPTER 5

### Laugh at the devil

There are two quotes at the beginning of the Screw tape Letters by C S Lewis:

“The devil, that proud spirit, cannot endure to be mocked.” (Thomas More.)

“The best way to drive out the devil if he will not yield to texts of scripture, is to jeer and flout him, for he cannot bear scorn.” (Martin Luther.)

The devil takes himself very seriously: he has to, because if he didn't believe his own lies, how could he expect others to?

Did you know that you can laugh at the devil? What can he do back? All his teeth have been pulled - all he can do is nag, threaten and lie, nag, threaten and lie.

We had a meeting where I shared about deliverance and how pathetic the devil is. At the end of the meeting I invited a little Welsh pastor to join me in the ministry. A tall man came forward for prayer for stuttering. We said “stutter go away in Jesus' name”. This tall man straightened to his full height and said in a deep voice “Oh no I won't”. After all that had been said about the weak, pathetic devil and demons, the pastor and I just stood there and laughed; the man coughed once, the demon came out, the stutter gone. We then filled him with the Holy Spirit.

In Ghana, on my first time there, I spoke mostly about deliverance and one night, what appeared to be a huge demon 8 ft tall and 4 ft wide, like a huge bear appeared. I was laying in bed and I looked at this shadowy thing and said “I'm almost not bothered to tell you to go 'cos you can't do anything, but because I can, I will - “Go, in the name of Jesus Christ”. It didn't seem to move so I said “I'm putting my faith to work - goodnight”. I put my head on the pillow and went to sleep.

Another time one of our FGBMFI men had a nervous breakdown and was in the psychiatric ward of our local hospital. Three of us arranged to visit and when we arrived he was in the day room. We began to pray for him and told the demon to come out. At this, he started to shout, which caused the supervisor (who was black) to come in. “What's going on here?” he demanded. Where do you come from? I asked. “Seychelles” he replied. I explained “this man is demonised and we're dealing with it.” “Wait a moment and I'll find you a side ward” he said. In there, we just kicked it out and filled him afresh with the Holy Spirit. Fortunately people from the third world are very aware of the reality of the spirit world and the paranormal.

We once went to a teaching on deliverance and after the speaker had taught for 45 minutes, he told the audience to get into groups of 6 - 10 and begin praying against the enemy until demons manifested. After about 10 minutes demons did manifest in all the groups but the Christians were shouting at the demons to come out, over and over again, getting very excited and shouting at the demon-possessed in tongues. The whole thing developed into chaos and little or no deliverance took place. That was so wrong.

Be authoritative, be in control and be calm. The devil just loves things to get out of control. The demons are not deaf - and they don't understand tongues.

Some Christians are accused of looking for demons under every stone and in every corner. Well, if you do, you will find lots because there are vast, almost uncountable numbers. They are like ants on the pavement. Nobody bothers to run about treading on ants on the pavement because there

are just too many of them to make any difference. We just go about life and if one happens to cross our path, we step on it and hardly give it a second thought.

Scripture describes demons as being like snakes and scorpions; those who see them say they are like small animals, rats and creepy things. In fact, a demon can manifest as anything from a rat to a human being. We saw them after dark in Zanzibar manifesting as human beings but they were always deformed in some way.

The Bible tells us that the numbers of heavenly beings are as many as the stars in the sky - that's about two hundred thousand million (the number of galaxies) times about two hundred thousand million. One third of that number followed satan so that's the number of demons, approximately a hundred and thirty thousand million. That's a far greater number than the number of people living on planet earth. But the good thing is that there are twice as many good angels.

Knowing that should not overly concern any of us because the scriptures also tell us that we will judge between angels. A pretty good position for us later on in heaven, yet everything is in place for us to deal with the bad ones simply and easily now.

If demons can dwell within a born again Christian then dare I ask the question "have I any in residence and can I deal with these for myself?" The answer is probably 'yes' to both parts of that question. Having come to an understanding of why the wrong things happen, like losing one's temper or sexual fantasising, an unloving attitude, or nail biting, smoking, pride, etc., etc., take a stand against the devil, wait on the Holy Spirit, and refuse to allow the demon to have its way with you and it will transfer to someone else who will allow it to manifest.. If it is a lying spirit, absolutely refuse to allow it to make you tell lies.

Many Christians deal with their problems in this way. However, if you do not get the victory, then go to more mature brothers or sisters who you know have a deliverance ministry for their help.

It is surprising how many Christians go into danger areas and put themselves in harm's way. I once heard a Christian say that if she reads her horoscope it's only for fun - she doesn't take its advice or anything. All these occultish things, palm reading, tarot cards, meditation, clairvoyance, acupuncture, etc, etc, will have a bad effect and could lead to demon possession.

We are frequently called on to sever Christians from unGodly soul ties but often our brothers and sisters have never even heard of soul ties. What are they? When two people get married Jesus says that they become one flesh. **FOR THIS REASON A MAN WILL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE UNITED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO WILL BECOME ONE FLESH. SO THEY ARE NO LONGER TWO BUT ONE.** (Mark 10 v 7 & 8.) However, should they get married in church, on board ship, in a register office, hotel or beach, if that marriage is not consummated in the act of sexual union, then it is not a true marriage and does not satisfy the legal requirements of this country. The Courts will readily annul any marriage of that kind.

The problem of soul ties is that when two are joined in this way, the one flesh relationship takes place. So many (even Christians, sadly) in our libertarian society are having sexual adventures, and these Christians are picking up soul ties with people who also have lots of soul ties. Paul warns us very strongly about joining our bodies to a harlot. **DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT HE WHO UNITES HIMSELF WITH A PROSTITUTE IS ONE WITH HER IN BODY? FOR IT IS SAID, "THE TWO WILL BECOME ONE FLESH."** (1 Cor 6 v 17.)

In exactly the same way, Paul warns in 2 Cor 6 v 14-15 **DO NOT BE YOKED TOGETHER WITH**

UNBELIEVERS. FOR WHAT DO RIGHTEOUSNESS AND WICKEDNESS HAVE IN COMMON? OR WHAT FELLOWSHIP CAN LIGHT HAVE WITH DARKNESS? WHAT HARMONY IS THERE BETWEEN CHRIST AND BELIAL?

In spite of these verses we see Christians having mismatched relationships with sad people who are just unable to believe. We are so often called to minister to these people who have dabbled in that kind of thing. Thankfully, the soul ties are very easy to break.

When clean and dirty get together, does the clean make the dirty clean - or does the dirty make the clean dirty? Be warned; do not even consider such mismatched relationships for they can only pull you down and will almost always prevent your spiritual growth.

Many Christians are still carrying soul ties from before they became born again because even though they have given their hearts to Jesus, they have not had any of the occultish things dealt with. Simply ask a born again believer who has the faith to deal with it for you.

## Chapter 6

### Police Your Area

Because we have the privilege of travelling to many parts of the world we have had a great number of opportunities to see at first hand how the corporate body of Christ deals with their local area spirits.

It is for the church as a whole to police their own area and should they not do it, there will be much less of a witness and they will find many frustrations to their efforts.

Four of us tend to work in the High Street in Rochester to tell out the gospel. (We know there are other groups too.) We frequently walk around the area warfaring and my friend Bob anointed the benches with oil just prior to a big pagan festival - where many were saved. Some months later I led someone to Jesus who was sitting on one of those benches. When I told Bob that his anointing was still working, he told me he had re-anointed them a couple of days before.

We praise the Lord that we see significant numbers saved in Rochester High Street, but this is only after we have walked around the boundaries declaring to the powers and principalities that we claim the ground for Jesus Christ. We have an absolute right to this place as it is where we live and nothing can stop us.

You have the same rights to the place where you live and if you are prepared to warfare, then you can go out and reap your own harvest.

Having said that, we have had opportunity to be involved in other places, working with the Gull Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International structure. I once had the privilege to do reconnaissance warfare in Chichester. The Holy Spirit told me to quarter the town. Looking at the map I saw that the town was actually divided into four quarters.

I pulled into a car park there and saw a theatre so I went over to it and discovered a bust of Minerva. Her face was also woven into the carpets. Minerva, the goddess of wisdom, with an owl in her helmet. But I was not the only visitor. I asked the people standing there if they knew who it was. A lady was happy to tell us all about her (the Lord always provides someone to give us the information we need).

So I came against this demonic wisdom and rebuked it in Jesus' name. Jesus Christ is the only true Wisdom. I prayed against these demons in each quarter of the town to clear the way for our FGBMFI Chapter to be opened. In the final quarter I even discovered a market inside a re-used church and in that market was The Minerva Furniture Company.

Just a few months afterwards we had our Chapter of FGB up and running. That was my remit for that day - nothing else - so I stayed within my remit.

Another place we were invited to, to be involved with many of the churches was the island of Aruba in the Caribbean. We warfared at the top of the central mountain called Hoy Bear, and at the top of the highest mountain Jamanota. We told the powers and principalities, in the name of Jesus Christ, that they have no authority to be there because the place belongs to Jesus and the Christians who live there. We declared the blood of Jesus and His victory over sin and death - and these words, backed by faith, always rule the day. To this day, as far as we know, the Christians

still go up there regularly to do the same.

All our visits to Aruba have been marked with many miracles of healing, salvations, deliverance and baptisms in the Holy Spirit, all by His power and the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. Glory to God! Because we had been invited there by the Christians we had every right to warfare there, and they continued after we left.

Our trip to Denmark was one of a similar nature -although there are no mountains in Denmark, you can't fail to see the demonic powers shown in the many dragons around the city of Copenhagen. We were invited to teach the local church how to do spiritual warfare and fruitful evangelism.

Of course, we walked in seeing it with fresh eyes, not like the people who live there - they don't really bother to look. We saw how satan has got people to put up dragons and adorn buildings to his own glory. (Like the statue of Eros in London's Piccadilly.) In Copenhagen we just went to the tops of some of the tallest buildings and declared to the powers and principalities that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

We also dealt with the spirit of Freemasonry which was very strong there. But everything which has a name has to bow to the Name that is above all Names, that of the Lord Jesus Christ (and we give Him His full title.) Our time there was blessed with many salvations, healings and vital words of knowledge.

So, you may ask, do all our efforts get positive results and bring glory to God? The answer is "sadly, no". Do we ever seem to fail, even when things are clearly shown to us? The answer is "yes".

In South Bend, Indiana, we were invited by some FGB men and a church to open a new Chapter of FGB in Notre Dame University. The first thing to do was warfare the area, and in walking around there I discovered a 'mini Stonehenge' set up as a war memorial to World War II victims. Asking the Holy Spirit, He told me Stonehenge - human sacrifice, WWII - human sacrifice. (Most Americans don't understand the occultish nature of Stonehenge or about druids or human sacrifice.)

So, having warfared there, we never did open a new chapter of FGB, much to the disappointment of the local Field Rep. Nevertheless, one failure did not stop us and we continued to persevere as we should.

At one time, while teaching spiritual warfare in a church in Florida, we were looking for the ruling spirit over that part of Brevard county. We were invited to Cape Canaveral (we don't usually do touristy things). At the end of the tour they showed a film about going into space. The final comment of that film was "We have conquered space - now nothing is unavailable to us".

The fact is they have not conquered space, just got to the moon (if they really have). This reminds me of a scripture in Genesis 11 v 6: THE LORD SAID, "IF AS ONE PEOPLE SPEAKING THE SAME LANGUAGE THEY HAVE BEGUN TO DO THIS, THEN NOTHING THEY PLAN TO DO WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM."

That proud boast has to come from satan - and it's for these Christians in Brevard county to police their own area. I'm sure they did. As we walked around that same church the Holy Spirit asked me what I saw. I saw ironstone in the pavement. The word for the church was 'you have been bound round about with iron - be released today and always in Jesus' name, to warfare the

warfare of the Lord'.

Back in 1996 we found ourselves in Tanzania and were privileged to open Chapters of FGB in Morogoro and on the island of Zanzibar. We were based in Zanzibar but just had a few hours in Morogoro on the mainland. As our bus came into the town we did not need to be told anything. The town is overshadowed by a huge steep mountain rising like a tower out of the plain. We immediately dealt with the spirits of that mountain with the local Christian community, and the new Chapter opened very easily.

Zanzibar (which is 95% Muslim) is a flat island, so, as in Denmark, we used the roof of a hotel to do our warfaring. Then three FGBMFI Field Reps came over from Dar-es-Salaam on the mainland - and the Chapter was opened. Sadly, today it is no longer in existence - we realised that the heavy oppression would make it difficult for them.

If you would like to be involved in this work, our advice would be: be available and be ready. Our mission work began just going for two or three weeks at a time. Be totally led by the Holy Spirit and pray yourselves into an area after consulting the Christians whose ground it is. Wait on the Lord for finance and timing. Be ready to be a fool for Jesus - but for no-one else! However, only step out if you are absolutely convinced you are being directed by the Holy Spirit.

The lovely man you read about in Chapter 2 of this booklet who overstepped the mark and got pleurisy, now leads groups of believers to the tops of all the hills in the Medway Towns to warfare. They even go to a place called Motney Hill: it's out on the marshes and is no higher than 10-12 feet but it's called a 'hill' so they warfare there too. Failing once did not put this Christian off but just made him determined not to leave even an inch of ground to the powers and principalities.

The devil was totally and absolutely beaten by the cross and the resurrection of Jesus, so he can only retain that territory which we allow him to have. Christian son of God - don't let him have so much as a sniff! It all belongs to Jesus, and therefore to us too - to His glory.

## Chapter 7

### Spiritual Mapping

I would be very surprised to hear about any involved in spiritual warfare who were not baptised in the Holy Spirit and speaking in tongues for this is the manifestation of the Holy Spirit of God speaking through us. If you don't have this, please ask someone who has, to pray with you to receive Him.

The Bible is our foundational teaching and it can never be otherwise. Having said that, to really learn the business of warfaring we would recommend some of the books in your local Christian Bookshop.

From those books we learned about spiritual mapping. In the same way that going to a city like Copenhagen showed us the dragons on the buildings, so also just looking at a map prayerfully will give you a great deal of important information.

Our local church was praying over an estate adjacent to it with a view to evangelising there. As we prayed, it became evident that the roads were laid out in the shape of the freemasons' compasses. Whether by chance or design, we just took authority over the prevailing spirits and broke their power in the name of Jesus. Once you have the necessary information you can regularly police your area.

A man once telephoned me from Harrogate saying they wanted to open a chapter of FGB there but they were finding many problems and hindrances. So I asked him to send me a map of the area. Praying over this I saw many of the roads were called 'hill', for example 'Smith Hill', 'Evans Hill', 'Hill Rise', etc.

The river ran from left to right through the centre, with seven hills. The Holy Spirit told me that a certain hill was the tallest. So I phoned the man and asked him if that particular hill was the highest in Harrogate. He said it was and asked how I knew. I told him what the Holy Spirit had told me and he arranged for a group of the FGB men and women to go up to this tallest hill and they broke bread together up there. I did not suggest that they did that, the Holy Spirit did - and what a powerful declaration they made to the ruling spirits. When the new Chapter opened I was invited to be the inaugural speaker and I trust it brought glory to God.

Another case in point was when I had ministered in a certain state of the USA a couple of times and I decided to do spiritual mapping for that state. I gained much information from praying over the maps and subsequently I decided to write to the FGB Directors. They had not asked me to do this and they had no understanding of what I said and they thought what I had shown them made no sense at all. The truth was I was out of my remit and it was a good lesson to learn. We learn from our mistakes and since then I wait until I am rightfully involved.

On a trip to Canberra, the capital of Australia, we were taken by our hosts to the centre of the city, the seat of Government, to see all the perfectly straight roads and we were able to help our brothers to see what was needed for that place.

Some years ago we had an opportunity to go to Israel and we were invited to stay in Bethlehem. Because we were so near to Manger Square we walked up there each day. The Holy Spirit suggested to us that we should warfare the Square where building work was going on.

As we were praying, a rat, disturbed by the building work, ran out and into a rain pipe that was laying on the floor near us. Someone stood the rain pipe on end but had to keep it trapped because as soon as he lowered the pipe, the rat ran up it again. The unseen demon 'rats' hide in just the same way. From the indescribable trouble in that area since, we can see that the rats are not yet dealt with.

The map of Zanzibar was another learning curve for us. Of course the place names are all in Swahili, so we set about finding out what they mean: one was 'Usi' which means 'piece of string', a very narrow piece of land. Another was 'Fumba' which means 'closed' so we went there and it was certainly closed to us. No-one would talk to us.

However, as we walked out of that village we met a man with huge warts all over his face and body; we prayed for him and led him to Jesus, praise God.

One place we stayed on the island was called 'Beit Ras' which means 'place of the head' - a slave's head had been buried there. We prayed and put his soul to rest in the name of Jesus Christ.

May we encourage you to get maps of your area and prayerfully, as a group, wait on the Holy Spirit to show you the problems of the area. You may well find that ley lines are involved. These are occultish power lines that those who follow satan use. It is a fact that many churches, cathedrals, etc are built on these ley lines because they were built on the sites of what was originally pagan temples.

Some friends of ours moved house, only to discover that they now live on a ley line so they broke the power line in the name of Jesus each day, knowing how witches, etc, repair these breaks on a regular basis. These ley lines are obviously very important to the principalities.

The war memorial at the top of the Lines in Gillingham is on a ley line and we discovered there is another exactly the same in Portsmouth. David Tidy has produced a video on this subject called "Ley lines: the Enemy's Network": It is very informative and well worth watching. It would be good for your group to gather as much information as possible to enable you to thwart the kingdom of darkness in your area.

Many years ago I did a mapping of the whole of the UK and marked the sites of each chapter of FGBMFI and then I put in the Field Reps and the Directors in the places where each one lived. At that point the map came alive because it's about you and me, the body of Christ. Many of us live in very strategic positions - remember, our very presence makes a difference to the enemy.

We discovered that the chapters were in lines (armies fight in lines and have a front line) like Blackheath, Dartford, Gravesend, Strood, Medway (Chatham), Rainham and Sittingbourne. The last one at the end of the line tended to be the weakest and needed to be supported. We also discovered that the chapters under the most attack were the ports of entry: Dover, Folkestone, Heathrow, etc.

We do encourage you to get thoroughly involved in your area maps and let the Holy Spirit show you what is needed. I'm sure you will be excited and encouraged by the vast amount of information you will gain.

Look at the shapes of things, the names of streets, buildings, hills, farms, etc. Go to the local

reference library for historic information. Then pray from a place of knowledge and power and really bring down that old entrenched enemy. The fact that he may have been there a long time is nothing to do with anything. Bring him down and take over the land for Jesus.

Whilst writing this book in The Gambia, we discovered that the 50 dalasi bank note has a picture of a stone circle on it. The same week I happened to be in a book shop and picked up a history book and found out that there are at least seven of these stone circles which date from before Christianity came to that area. They are, of course, pagan, and the Holy Spirit is delighted to give the body the information it needs to do the work of breaking the power of these occultish things.

## Chapter 8

### A Spirit-filled Warrior

When I was in Boston, USA, they asked me if I would like to meet a street preacher. This guy came to the house and he was not very tall, not at all well dressed - he was to look at, the definitive 'nobody's nobody'. He asked if I would like to go on the street with him and suggested we go to the red light quarter. So that's where we went.

He took me down streets showing me where the girls stand and another street where the 'gays' have their marches. But where were all the hookers? "Oh," he said "they don't come out much anymore since I've been coming here". The very presence of a born again Spirit filled warrior for the Kingdom is enough to put most to flight.

One day I spoke to three men in Bromley, Kent, to encourage them. They were just reading the Word of God out loud in the middle of the (pedestrianised) High Street. I said "Good work, brothers, what you are doing is keeping the principalities and powers at bay". They looked at me without any comprehension of what I said because this group did not have the infilling of the Holy Spirit and were working from an entirely powerless stance. However, in spite of that, their witness was keeping the powers away.

In Leicester Square, Trafalgar Square, Hyde Park Corner, etc, the Lord has His warriors telling out the gospel all the time. Should you have an opportunity to go, do take full advantage of the many who are warfaring to make the witness possible. In Leicester Square we worked next to where a Seventh Day Adventist group sang gospel songs and from the back of their crowd we reaped a good harvest. Again, few, if any of these lovely people are baptised in the Holy Spirit, yet we could reap on their coat tails as it were.

Some of our experiences with the Lord have been spectacular. Two of us were invited to be involved with the opening of a new FGB Chapter in Luxembourg. Just a week before we wanted to go, a special offer appeared in one of the national newspapers which allowed us to go by sea cat for only a fraction of the normal fare. That was our Lord blessing the trip. Even during that week there was a TV documentary on Luxembourg and we believe the Lord arranged that just for us.

Once there, we went into a bookshop and I picked up a tract not understanding what it said "Lieb es de Brug". During that week I burnt my thumb and it went septic and during our stay there, the other thumb went septic in the same place - that's not normal, that was the enemy.

That first evening we went out looking for prostitutes to share the gospel with - we found none and we saw no salvations. Luxembourg's nick name (or "old nick" name) is "The Little Fortress". In fact it's a huge fortress. It is probably the richest country in Europe, it's the most Catholic country and probably the most insular.

They also have the biggest suicide rate in Europe. They speak a kind of German but unless you speak it in their dialect they refuse to understand you. Our witness fell on deaf ears. We saw no salvations - nothing.

On the Friday we warfared on the tremendously high bridges into this fortress and as we went into the town, we found ourselves in the "Square of the Holy Spirit" with a statue of doves flying down to water. Adjacent to this Square was a cathedral to the Queen of Heaven. You may know that

that is an occultish person, Fatima, the daughter of Mohammed. We warfared the town to allow us to open the chapter but that was all we were allowed to do.

On the Saturday, the soon-to-be President of the new chapter took us to Metz in France to an FGB meeting. It was wonderful and there were salvations, miracles, baptisms in the Holy Spirit - so why not in Luxembourg? I had ointment on my septic thumbs that just would not heal and I was putting my hands on people's heads and they were getting amazingly healed in the name of Jesus. All this blessing across the border and yet in Luxembourg our only remit was warfare.

As we left Luxembourg, my thumbs immediately began to heal.

In Brussels we had a 40 minute stop to change trains so we went into a railway bar for coffee. It was full of men who'd finished their day's work. Very soon, a young lady in her early 20s came in, looked at every man in the place and as there were no nods or winks, she walked right across the room and sat down next to me!

I told her I had a little booklet called "Lieb es de Brug" and asked her what it meant. "Love is the Bridge" she replied and it was a wonderful opening to tell her about the Man who is Love. She gave her heart to Jesus right then and there. Praise the Lord.

We were obedient in Luxembourg in doing what we were meant to do but at the right time God provided a prostitute to be saved - in His time, in His place and in His perfect way - to His glory!

## Chapter 9

### Be Encouraged

As we have said earlier, this booklet is not meant to show you a method, nor is it a definitive list of the types of demons you are likely to come across. It is to encourage you to begin your own deliverance and warfare ministry.

We work on the streets - we are street evangelists; we don't give ourselves fancy titles and we don't worship in an ornate church. We try to follow the Master and do what He did out there amongst the people.

Our work is not high profile. In certain countries what we do has to be almost covert. We are sure that many who read this will have been given specific tasks by our Lord, or have in their hearts a desire to go into other nations.

May we encourage you with this; no matter how difficult or even impossible your outreach may seem, Father will provide for you in every way - and that has to include your dealing with the forces at work against you.

Whether it is walking the boundaries of your parish, going up a mountain or anointing benches in the park, just do it to the glory of God and to the building of the Kingdom.

Learn to rest in our Lord Jesus; learn to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit speaking into your spirit. Pray in tongues lots - and lots - and lots more.

Don't expect all Christians to understand about deliverance or warfare. You could well find yourself swimming against the tide but if you bow to the demands and fickleness of some Christians you may not even get going. Even some pastors, vicars, priests etc frequently have absolutely no understanding of spiritual warfare.

I remember, as a new Christian, seeing a vicar, when presented with a very easy ghost, being simply out of his depth: he murmured a kind of prayer and got out quick.

Later, in the same place, a group of four evangelicals did the same thing, prayed about it on site - and nothing happened. Neither the vicar nor the others were baptised in the Holy Spirit.

You don't pray about spirits - you throw them out in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

It's like asking a powerless Christian what it's like to be baptised in the Holy Spirit - how can they possibly know?

Be guided by the Lord and confirm everything in His word. We can only encourage you into your own adventure in battle. Behave like a winner because you already are, in our Lord's victory on the cross. All glory to His holy name.

The scriptures are readily available for us to learn and to understand who we are and how we are to be in the world. 1 John 4 v 17 (NKJV) says .... AS HE IS SO ARE WE IN THIS WORLD".

We are here to do what our Lord Jesus did. He said "I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, ANYONE WHO HAS FAITH IN ME WILL DO WHAT I HAVE BEEN DOING. HE WILL DO EVEN GREATER

THINGS THAN THESE, BECAUSE I AM GOING TO THE FATHER” (John 14 v 12.

May we encourage you to live in Christ’s victory and know who you are in Him. Go out there and be Jesus for this poor, suffering world. Glory to God.