

Great Joy In The City Ministries

“With God all things are possible”



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Dear BSCMF Member,

"For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

- 2 Corinthians 3:17

How many times in life do you feel as if you are in bondage? It could be bondage related to various areas of your life: Spirit, soul, body, financially or socially. In those times, you often feel as if there are no answers; or that you need to go through a set of worldly steps to (eventually) overcome the bad circumstances. This is all bondage that comes from the World, and we know who is the god of the world: Satan. But the above scripture should bring you great joy, because it gives clear answers to whatever problem and circumstance you are facing. Indeed, it will bring you freedom over every bad circumstance in your life – God’s Holy Spirit. God’s constant presence in your life overcomes this world.

I often teach that if you keep the battle that you are facing in the spiritual realm, you will defeat Satan every time. But if you keep the battle in the natural realm, Satan will defeat you every time. Why? Because Satan is spiritually dead. You are a spiritually-alive first and foremost, and on a higher spiritual level than Satan or the Kingdom of Darkness. Satan can only defeat you if you stay on a carnal, natural worldly level. If you are focused upon your problems or your circumstances, or how you feel, or what your doctor, banker or lawyer tells you - Satan will defeat you. But if you stay in God’s Word and in prayer, staying in constant fellowship with the Lord - you will defeat Satan every time.

Jesus stated in John 17:14-16, **“I have given them your word. And the world hates them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I'm not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one. They do not belong to this world any more than I do.”** You are not of this world, just as Jesus was not of this world. The difference why Jesus was constantly victorious on the earth and you constantly struggle, is that Jesus lived with a spiritual mindset all the time. He understood that his Father God as well as his “homeland” – the Kingdom of God - is Spirit. For Jesus to walk in constant fellowship with His Father and to tap into the Kingdom of God (to walk in constant victory), he had to stay in the Spirit realm. You, on the other hand, too often walk based upon how you feel, see, think or hear. So Satan being the “god of this world” controls how you believe by bringing bad circumstances into your life that are contrary to God’s Word. You choose to believe that carnal realm over the spiritual realm and are defeated every time. So if you truly want victory in life, you need to make a decision to walk like Jesus did. You need to stay in God’s presence, walk according to the Spirit and not of the flesh. If you will do that, you will keep in fellowship with God and His Kingdom; and you will experience freedom that overcomes this world – every time!

May God bless you richly,
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