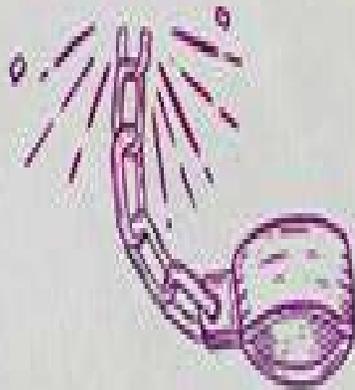


• Set the Captives Free •



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Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, Because He has anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor; He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed"

LUKE 4:14-21

14 Then Jesus returned to Galilee, filled with the Holy Spirit's power. Soon he became well known throughout the surrounding country. 15 He taught in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. 16 When he came to the village of Nazareth, his boyhood home, he went as usual to the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read the Scriptures. 17 The scroll containing the messages of Isaiah the prophet was handed to him, and he unrolled the scroll to the place where it says: 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has appointed me to preach Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the downtrodden will be freed from their oppressors, 19 and that the time of the Lord's favor has come. 20 He rolled up the scroll, handed it back to the attendant, and sat down. Everyone in the synagogue stared at him intently. 21 Then he said, "This Scripture has come true today before your very eyes!"

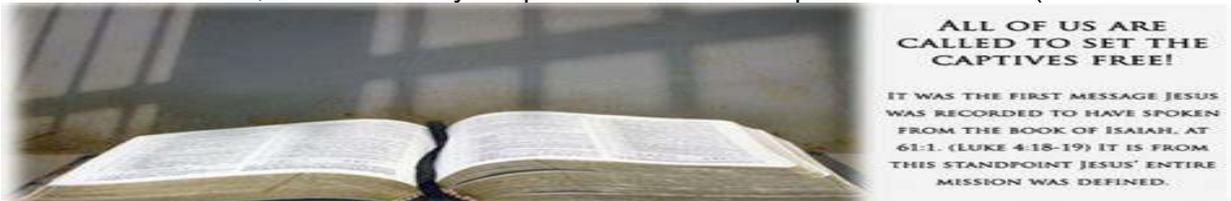
Jesus had just been in the desert in confrontation with satan.

Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given complete authority in heaven and on earth. Matthew 28:18

And when He had called His twelve disciples to Him, He gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. Matthew 10:1

These captives which are to be set free are prisoners of the devil/satan. They are in satan's labor camp, being forced, as slaves to do his bidding. They are in chains of bondage, and there is nothing they can do about it.

Spiritual Warfare for purpose of setting the captives/lost free, involves using the Keys of the Kingdom. And I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whatever you lock on earth will be locked in heaven, and whatever you open on earth will be opened in heaven." (Matthew 16:19)



# THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM

In-order to set the captives free our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the Keys of the Kingdom.

There are four keys that linked together bring great victory in the lives of those who are bound & tormented.

As we PRAY the WORD in the NAME OF JESUS, the HOLY SPIRIT' ANOINTING will, with POWER unlock the minds of the captives/lost, so that, the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ will set them free.

The first step in the process of setting the captives free is seen in these Scriptures. What is that first step?

## 1. Realize that Jesus wants you to be free!

We can see from the above Scriptures that part of the total ministry of Jesus before His ascension was that of loosening those whom Satan had bound. Jesus, in-order to continue setting the captives/lost free while He is away, gave His followers instructions to continue doing the things He was doing (setting the captives free) and gave them the authority to use His Name to carry out those instructions.

## 2. Believe He has supplied everything it takes to get free!

Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows and pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy].

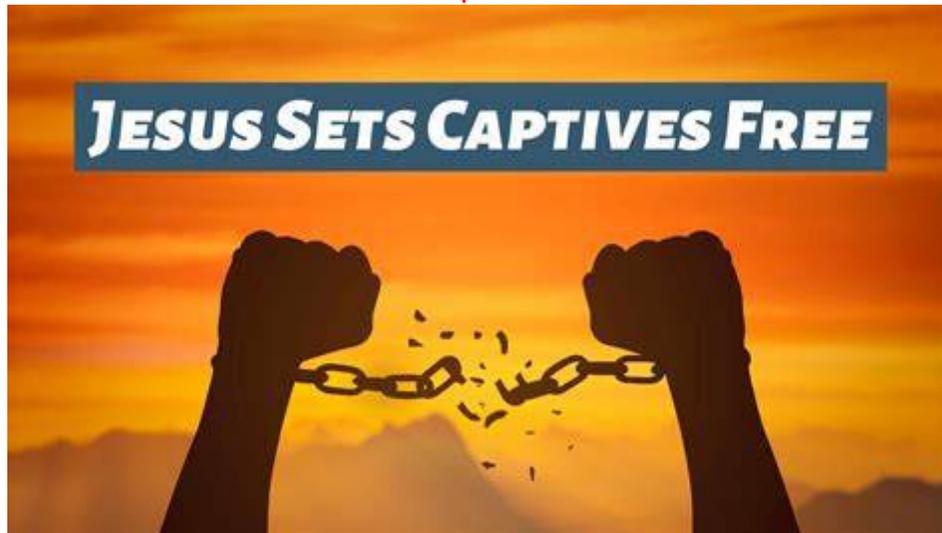
But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt and iniquities; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed and made whole. Isaiah 53:4,5 AMP

Christ purchased our freedom [redeeming us] from the curse (doom) of the Law [and its condemnation] by [Himself] becoming a curse for us, for it is written [in the Scriptures], Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree (is crucified); Galatians 3:13 AMP

For you are becoming progressively acquainted with and recognizing more strongly and clearly the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (His kindness, His gracious generosity, His undeserved favor and spiritual blessing), [in] that though He was [so very] rich, yet for your sakes He became [so very] poor, in order that by His poverty you might become enriched (abundantly supplied). 2 Corinthians 8:9 AMP

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. 7If you do this, you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7 **Scriptures:** 2 Corinthians, Galatians 3:13, Isaiah 53:4, John 15:7, John 8:32, John 8:36, Luke 10:19, Luke 4:14-21, Luke 4:14-21, Luke 4:18, Mark 11:22-24, Matthew 10:1, Matthew 16:19, Matthew 28:18, Philippians 4:6-7, Psalm 103:1-2, Psalm 68:19

One Word can set a captive free- In Jesus Name



Isaiah 42:7

To open blind eyes,  
To bring out prisoners from the dungeon  
And those who dwell in darkness from the prison.

Psalms 102:20

To hear the groaning of the prisoner,  
To set free those who were doomed to death,

Jeremiah 30:8

'It shall come about on that day,' declares the Lord of hosts, 'that I will break his yoke from off their neck and will tear off their bonds; and strangers will no longer make them their slaves.'

Ezekiel 34:27

Also the tree of the field will yield its fruit and the earth will yield its increase, and they will be secure on their land. Then they will know that I am the Lord, when I have broken the bars of their yoke and have delivered them from the hand of those who enslaved them.

Nahum 1:13

"So now, I will break his yoke bar from upon you,  
And I will tear off your shackles."

Ezekiel 30:18

“In Tehaphnehes the day will be dark  
When I break there the yoke bars of Egypt.  
Then the pride of her power will cease in her;  
A cloud will cover her,  
And her daughters will go into captivity.

Isaiah 9:4

For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders,  
The rod of their oppressor, as at the battle of Midian.

Hosea 11:4

I led them with cords of a man, with bonds of love,  
And I became to them as one who lifts the yoke from their jaws;  
And I bent down and fed them.

Psalm 68:6

God makes a home for the lonely;  
He leads out the prisoners into prosperity,  
Only the rebellious dwell in a parched land.

Daniel 3:25

He said, “Look! I see four men loosed and walking about in the midst of the fire without harm, and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods!”

Psalm 107:14

He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death  
And broke their bands apart.

Job 12:18

“He loosens the bond of kings  
And binds their loins with a girdle.

Psalm 116:16

O Lord, surely I am Your servant,  
I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid, You have loosed my bonds.

Psalm 146:7

Who executes justice for the oppressed;

Who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free.

Ezekiel 13:20

Therefore, thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I am against your magic bands by which you hunt lives there as birds and I will tear them from your arms; and I will let them go, even those lives whom you hunt as birds.

Zechariah 9:11

As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you,

I have set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Job 39:5

"Who sent out the wild donkey free?

And who loosed the bonds of the swift donkey,

Acts 2:24

But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

Psalm 142:7

"Bring my soul out of prison,

So that I may give thanks to Your name;

The righteous will surround me,

For You will deal bountifully with me."

Acts 12:7

And behold, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter's side and woke him up, saying, "Get up quickly." And his chains fell off his hands.

Acts 16:26

And suddenly there came a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison house were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.

Acts 5:19

But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the prison, and taking them out he said,

Acts 12:7-10

And behold, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared and a light shone in the cell; and he struck Peter's side and woke him up, saying, "Get up quickly." And his chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, "Gird yourself and put on your sandals." And he did so. And he \*said to him, "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me." And he went out and continued to follow, and he did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision.

Acts 12:17

But motioning to them with his hand to be silent, he described to them how the Lord had led him out of the prison. And he said, "Report these things to James and the brethren." Then he left and went to another place.

Isaiah 49:9

Saying to those who are bound, 'Go forth,'  
To those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.'  
Along the roads they will feed,  
And their pasture will be on all bare heights.

Psalm 119:45

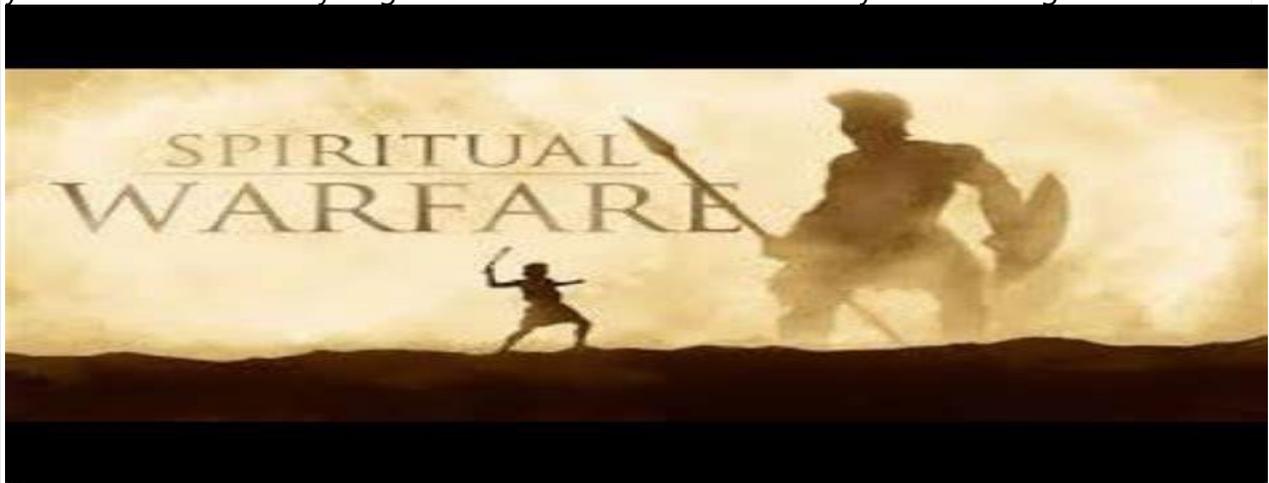
And I will walk at liberty,  
For I seek Your precepts.

**In Jesus Name!**

## Spiritual Warfare: Understanding the Battle

To understand the battle of spiritual warfare, we need to begin with acknowledging that we are in a war. Battles make up smaller components of the bigger picture. By definition, battles involve combat between two persons, between factions, between armies and they consist of any type of "extended contest, struggle, or controversy" (Webster-Merriam). As Christians, we are in a spiritual battle of some sort on a daily basis. In warfare, battles are fought on different fronts, for different reasons, and with varying degrees of intensity. The same is true in spiritual warfare. Our spiritual battles and warfare are real, even though we cannot physically see the attacker. But, we can educate ourselves on how the battles are fought and how they impact our lives on a daily basis. We have to ask ourselves, "Why do we even want to fight spiritual warfare?" It will do us no good to educate ourselves on the battle if we see no reason for the fight. War is very controversial today in the physical realm. Those attitudes, beliefs and convictions will transfer over to the spiritual realm. However, in the spiritual realm, there is a battle going on regardless of our opinion. We are either victors or victims. Jesus has come and conquered. The war is already won in the heavens.

Jesus told us in [Matthew 28:18](#) that, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth." We now have the privilege of having an eternal relationship with God. Many of us enter into that covenant of salvation by grace. But the [Matthew 28:18](#) verse is not only about our salvation; it is also about our every day victory, which adds up to victorious living in Christ. Every day victory is achieved by knowing, believing and understanding the battles that we are enduring daily, regardless if we are passive or active in the battles. Do you want all that God has for you on this earth right now, or do you want to wait until you get to heaven to receive the victory and blessings?



**You are in a fixed fight. You got the victory!**