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DEMONIC INFLUENCES: RECESSION

Yesterday we spoke of a “demonic control” called “demon possession.” Today we will begin to study “demonic influence” which seeks a “measure” of control, not full control as with “possession.” With demon possession, the person’s free will has been surrendered to the demon or demons. As we proceed with P.R.O.O.D. we must note that with the other four (recession, obsession, oppression, depression) the person remains in control of their free will, although it is under attack.

Recession is where demonic pressure is trying to move you “backward” into a former “place” you should never again be. You were set free of some life-controlling or life-altering situation, and Satan is trying to draw you back into it. Perhaps it was an addiction. Maybe it was some traumatic event from childhood that had a very negative affect on you into adulthood, but you were set free from it. Whatever the issue, it was a “train-wreck period” in your life. Although you were “free” from that former part of your life, demonic influences are working to cause you to recede back to that place. You have the free will to fight it through the Word, the Name, and the Blood of Jesus. You have him on your side and Holy Spirit as your counselor. If your will weakens and you do not fight “the good fight of faith” with Jesus, you might very well recede back into that “train wreck.” In the worst-case scenario, giving in to recession could possibly even open up a gate leading to demonic possession.

There may be another type of recession relating to a family issue with your forebears. This might be considered in some cases to be a “generational curse.” Certain evil spirits attach to a family generationally and will try to pass along from one person to their child, grandchild, or great-grandchild. Spirits of witchcraft, sexual abuse, murder, and others often operate this way. This amounts to a generational recession (recede to the evil of a forebear). The person may have no such past of their own, but the “family spirit” tries to pull them “back” to their forebears’ behavior patterns.

In any case, you do not have to submit to any type of recession, but if you do, call on Jesus and He can pull you back.

Victory is yours when you stand on the Word of God (speak it out), call on the name of Jesus, and plead the blood of Jesus against every dark force. Victory! Freedom!