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THE POWER FROM FASTING AND PRAYER

PART 1

We see in Matthew 17 that a man had brought his demon possessed epileptic son to Jesus' disciples, but they were powerless to deal with this strong demon. The man then brought his son to Jesus who promptly cast the demon out of him.

These disciples had cast out demons before so it puzzled them why they could not do it this time. Matthew 17:14-21 tells the story. The disciples came to Jesus to ask him why they were unable to cast out this particular demon.

Jesus said that their faith (vs. 20) was not strong enough. He told them (NKJV) in Verse 21, ***"However, this kind (of strong demon) does not go out except by prayer and fasting."*** (Note: this verse has been omitted in the corrupted modern versions.)

What kind of difference do prayer and fasting make in the life of a believer? Is it for everyone, or just for some? In this series we shall examine these questions.

Jesus fasted and prayed. If it was important for him, perhaps it is important for us also.

This series will not in any way criticize those who never fast. It shall, however, look at the advantages that many may receive from fasting with prayer.

Stay tuned in to the series, the word, and the Spirit.