Deliverance

Scripture: Exodus 3:7-8 John 8:36

Galatians 5:1

Introduction

God designed man to be free and in control of his life. However, by actions and attitudes, we give Satan avenues into our lives and allow him to enslave us.

I. What we are delivered from

Exodus 3:7a NIV The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drives....

- A. What Egypt signifies in the scripture
 - 1. Sin
 - 2. Bondage
 - 3. A satanic system
- B. A partial list of our personal Egypts
 - 1. Spiritual bondages

<u>1 Samuel 15:23a</u> For rebellion [is as] the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness [is as] iniquity and idolatry.

- a. Rebellion/Witchcraft
 - 1) Rebellion is like witchcraft
 - 2) Evil (Injurious) spirit tormented him
- b. Stubbornness/idolatry

Romans 1:21-23 NIV For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God, nor gave thanks to him but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although the claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal god for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles. Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another.

- 1) Lust
- 2) Promiscuous sexual behavior
- 3) Perversion/pornography
- 2. Demonism
 - a. Occult involvement
 - b. "Innocent" satanic objects (Ouija boards, etc)
- 3. Generational sins
- 4. Habits
 - a. Tobacco
 - b. Drugs
 - c. Alcohol
 - d. Other addictive behaviors

II. The One who delivers us

John 8:36 (If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.)

Colossians 1:13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated [us] into the kingdom of his dear Son:

A. All power has been given unto him

<u>Matthew 28:18</u> And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, {All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.}

B. He has conquered Satan's best

<u>Colossians 2:15 NIV</u> And having disarmed the posers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

<u>1 John 3:8 NIV</u> He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's works.

C. He is lord of all

<u>Philippians 2:9-11</u> Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of [things] in heaven, and [things] in earth, and [things] under the earth; 11 And [that] every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ [is] Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Revelation 19:16 And he hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

D. He has given his authority to his people

Luke 10:19 {Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.}

John 14:12 (Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater [works] than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.)

III. How to receive and maintain our liberty

Exodus 3:8a And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; ...

Galatians 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

<u>2 Corinthians 10:4-5</u> (For the weapons of our warfare [are] not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

- A. Close any openings where Satan can intrude into your life
 - 1. Repudiate past involvement in the occult, etc
 - 2. Repent of rebellion, stubbornness and submit to God
 - 3. Set your will to serve God
- B. Ask God to deliver you
 - 1. Ask others to pray prayers of deliverance over you
 - 2. Pray earnestly for deliverance
- C. Let God change your life patterns so Satan no longer can intrude