

I had a dream last night that seemed to be a message from God. I wrote this blog about it, in an attempt to give God the Glory. Maybe it will bless you; maybe you know someone who is dealing with similar things you could pray for.

If you are easily scared, you might not want to read this. I didn't write it to scare anyone but to share the freedom that God gives, and to paint a picture of what our world often looks like spiritually.

Last night I had a dream about a little boy named Jeremy. He was a kind but sad little boy, who spent lots of time by himself. He was lonely and often cried. Jeremy was a plain kid, about 6 who began seeing someone he described as the shadowman. His mother wasn't able to spend time with him, because she had to work.

The shadowman would tell him stories about battles and war, and scare him but Jeremy said he tried to be his friend... It was a weird dream because I was a part of the dream sometimes and sometimes just an observer.

Jeremy would often scare his mother by telling her things that would happen before they happened. But mostly Jeremy would cry because he was afraid.

He would tell her before the doorbell rang. Then he began to black out where the "shadowman" would take control.

I tried to convince the mother to bring the child to see a pastor who was familiar with these things. She told me she had taken him to countless priests. And they could do nothing for him.

We tried to convince Jeremy it would be okay. Put him down for a nap, but he woke up screaming that the shadowman was going to start a fire at 5:23 that day in the socket near a bed in the room.

And we went out to play at the park hoping to calm him. I went back to check the room at 5:23 and I felt and saw the presences of the shadowman.

He was standing in the doorway smirking and pointing to the fire. He looked like a tall black knight, with a head full of black spikes as if the armor and his head had been made from beetles and flies. The shadowman had glowing red eyes.

There was smoke coming out of the electric socket. So I ran to put the fire out, tearing the wall covering away and getting to it. After that was over.

I began talking with Jeremy. And it was obvious he was no longer in control, often the Shadowman would speak through him.

In my dream, I watched a symbolic battle for control, somehow I was inside Jeremy's head.

Multiple demons fought for control inside, until one established control. Shadowman.

The battle was much like watching giants slug it out in a forest. They spoke of old rules and laws and names that I did not understand but by they were some how still governed.

It was also like a marriage, there was an order to events, and in that order, after the process, the souls would "be as one" I can't really describe it, but the outcome seems to coincide with reality of that type of thing. (A person and a demon in one body)

But the saddest part was- the boy was not himself. Always talking to someone not there... often take to fits of rage and fear.

Shadowman also known as Belial, or Withoutworth. I looked it up online, and it's a term used to characterize the wicked or worthless. The name from my dream, "Belial" is an actual recorded and know demon name. Belial is also the demon of lies and guilt.

It made Jeremy feel there was no hope, that he was a prisoner and that the boy was better off dead. Jeremy felt he was ruining his parents life, and hurting those around him.

One of the people there asked why their prayers were ineffective in ridding the Shadowman... and it was a surprise the answer I heard.

Because our sin makes us ineffective But NOT USELESS! Just subdued until we repent and follow Christ.

Our sin holds us back from having true power in Christ, or from taking true power in Christ. Also not knowing God's Word or the Law's that evil and good are bound by.

The Bible isn't some book that makes great postcards... It's the Living Word of God that breathes life into us.

Sometimes when we sin, we feel worthless, we feel ineffective we feel like the spiritual journey is hopeless.

Withoutworth. hmmm. I know it was just a dream, but I think the purpose of it was simply to remind me and others towards Holiness.

There is a real spiritual battle going on. Recently my Uncle passed, and I was too caught up in my own life to call him and tell him the message of salvation. God kept telling me there was time and I didn't listen. I said, "I will do that tomorrow, I can't forget to do that..." but I neglected to make the effort.

And then I found out he passed. I felt so ashamed of my disobedience to Christ, and His leading. We are still in an epic battle from before we were born.

So in the dream, they decided to send Jeremy to a specialist a Christian specialist who knew about exorcisms and things like that. I was walking on a cold city street with my friend Brandon and we were discussing what happened... I woke remembering Brandon and I talking about how it was all so weird but sad for the kid. That we were praying that he would be set free.

When I woke up, I wanted to share the dream for this reason:

I think Jeremy represents a generation of kids and people who are tricked by a spirit of Belial. They feel like their life has no purpose, they are trapped and bound by sin and feelings of worthlessness.

They wake up wondering why they are alive. They sense that there is something more, but they cannot see it, because they have been blinded.

They cut themselves, (cutting is often a demonic influenced behavior the Bible records a demon possessed man that would cut himself and associates this behavior with spiritual trouble)

They listen to music that influences and fuels these emotions. In early Christian writings, Belial was identified first as an angel of confusion and lust, created after Lucifer.

They often develop an unhealthy obsession or fixation with death and dying. (The Bible tells of a man possessed who lived in the tombs. He was obsessed with death.) This is a spiritual condition.

I love music, I am not bagging on anyone's music, but there is clearly music that is unholy, and unclean, and causes the listener to be drawn into that place spiritually.

How much music is lustful, and how much causes emotional confusion. Look at the top of the charts, songs that promote immoral perversions in many of today's popular songs, lust men for men, and women for women, and illicit sex is becoming more common. This is what is often "cool" today.

Or music obsessing over death and dying, and depression.

Music is a gift from God, but the enemy knows how to use it effectively.

In the dream, when people would try to help Jeremy, the demon would blind Jeremy's eyes so that he couldn't tell or trust who was trying to help him. People trapped in sin are just like this. They lash out, they cry out for help, for freedom from Belial. Lashing out at those who tried to help.

How many times do Christians get laughed at when they try to tell a friend about hell... it's spiritual blindness, that imprisons them. An epic but silent battle for the soul.

Are you like Jeremy? Do you feel trapped and bound, do you feel worthless, without hope? Christ is the only one who can break those bonds. The Bible says that Christ paid the price to set you free from sin, and free from the torment of evil.

The Bible tells us that Jesus was to be a deliverer of souls and lives. And trust me He is today still!

Isaiah 42:7, "To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house."

Isaiah 49:9, "That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places."

Many of you know that Jesus died on a cross. Some of you may think, "Big deal" but the truth is, it really is a big deal. Here's why.

Every person is born a sinner, the Word teaches us that if we sin, the punishment for sin, is hell. What is sin? Well, sin is going against God's will. The ten commandments are a measure of sin, they show us our need for God.

People say, that's not fair. What kind of a loving God sends people to Hell?

That's a good question, the same kind that chose to become a man and fully be God and man, and then said:

John 10:11, 15:13, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep... Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

John 10:10, "...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Psalms 145:9, "The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works."

See, Jesus was pure. He never sinned, so God looks on that as acceptable payment for our sin. So He died in your place. He rose again showing his victory over death.

Now that God GAVE YOU A CHOICE so you could choose HEAVEN, and reject Hell. But so many still reject Heaven and choose Hell. It's a choice. When pray to and trust Jesus to be master of our lives, He makes us new creations.

You have been given the choice to follow or reject Jesus Christ. God doesn't just send

people randomly to hell. They choose heaven or hell by their own accord.

He said that He will make us new creatures, so that our sins are forgotten and that we can walk with Him in peace. The Bible also teaches us that if we do not repent, and turn from our sins, and believe in Jesus as King over our lives, and be born again, we will not see heaven.

Have you accepted Jesus? This is also known as being born again. If you think about it, how can you truly tell God no...? Especially after He provided a way for you to be free from sin and hell?

And if you know someone struggling spiritually, who deals with some of the things that Jeremy dealt with, won't you pray for them? Share the love of Jesus, talk to a trusted pastor or mature Christian friend about those things. Prayer is powerful.

And if you are a believer who believes the lies of worthlessness and hopeless feelings. Then examine your life, turn from any sins, and cling to Jesus, hold to the truth. Memorize the word of God, and that truth will set you free from passive emotionless conviction-less living. God will be a shield of protection.

God's word and the love of Christ can and will restore you.

God is the answer. Jesus is the answer. The Holy Spirit will guide you! Just Pray, and READ the Bible! Trust in Jesus!

If you have any questions about this article or things like this, please e-mail me. I am always happy to help others know the truth of Christ and His freeing power.

Below are verses that reflect many of the things I talked about in this entry. Sorry if the formatting is goofy, sometimes cut and paste goofy up the line structure.

Forgiveness of sins

1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from ALL unrighteousness."

Titus 2:14, "Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from EVERY lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds." (NASB)

Psalms 103:12, "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us."

Ephesians 1:7, "In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;" (The word 'riches' in the Greek here means

abundance and fullness!!)

Romans 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus..."

Micah 7:19, "...he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea."

Isaiah 1:18, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Joel 2:12-13, "Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil."

Psalms 103:2-4, "Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;"

Deliverance

Isaiah 61:1-3, "The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion,
to give unto them beauty for ashes,
the oil of joy for mourning,
the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;
that they might be called trees of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified."

Isaiah 52:2, "Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion."

Matthew 8:16-17, "When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses."

Isaiah 42:7, "To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house."

Isaiah 49:9, "That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places."

Mark 1:39, "And he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils."

Acts 10:38, "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."

Act 8:7, "For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed."

Acts 5:16, "There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one."

Luke 13:11, 16, "And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.... And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?"

Mark 16:17, "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;"

Matthew 10:7-8, "And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."

Luke 10:17-19, "And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. 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."

Luke 7:21, "And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he gave sight."

Luke 8:2, "And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,"

Acts 19:12, "So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them."

God's love and mercy for us

John 10:11, 15:13, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep... Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

John 10:10, "...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Psalms 145:9, "The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works."

Lamentations 3:22-23, "It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness."

Psalms 145:8, "The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy."

2 Corinthians 5:18-19, "And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation."

1 Corinthians 2:9, "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him."

Romans 2:4, "Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?"

Psalms 103:8-13, "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from

the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him." (Remember, I believe the word 'fear' here simply means to respect - not the same kind of fear as being scared or afraid of Him)

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

1 John 3:1, "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God..."

1 John 4:16, "And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him."

Romans 5:8, "But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." (NLT)

1 John 4:9, "In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him."

Romans 8:38-39, "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

2 Peter 3:9, "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

1 Timothy 2:3-4, "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." (God wants everybody possible to goto heaven!!)

Eph 2:4-7, "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus."

Luke 11:13, "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

Luke 15:10, "Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth."

Luke 15:20, "And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him."

(This is the parable of the son who took half his dad's money and ran away, then returned home and his father saw his son and was moved with compassion. So is it with our heavenly Father, when we turn to Him and repent, He is moved with compassion

and welcomes us with open arms.)

Jeremiah 31:3, "The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee."

Isaiah 30:18, "Therefore the LORD longs to be gracious to you, And therefore He waits on high to have compassion on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; How blessed are all those who long for Him." (NASB)

Psalms 33:5, "He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the lovingkindness of the LORD."

Psalms 107:8-9, "Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness."

Psalms 117:2, "For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD."

Psalms 31:19, "Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!"

Salvation

John 20:31, "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name."

John 3:36, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life..."

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:14-15, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life."

John 3:18, "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

Acts 16:30-31, "And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

Isaiah 28:16, "Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall

not make haste."

John 6:47, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life."

Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

John 6:37, "...Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

John 6:40, "And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

John 5:24, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

God's provision for us

Matthew 6:32, "(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things."

Matthew 6:33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Deuteronomy 8:18, "But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

Psalms 84:11, "For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly."

Deuteronomy 28:5, 11-12, "Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store... And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee. The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."

1 John 5:14-15, "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

John 16:24, "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

James 4:2, "...yet ye have not, because ye ask not."

Matthew 6:8, "Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him."

Romans 8:32, "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

James 1:17, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

1 Timothy 6:17, "...God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy."

Psalms 37:4-5, "Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass."

Genesis 45:18, "And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land."

Ezra 9:12, "Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children for ever."

Isaiah 1:19, "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:"

Genesis 45:20, "Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours."

Deuteronomy 8:7, "For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills;"

Deuteronomy 30:9, "And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:"

Luke 12:28, "If then God so clothe the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith?"

How God sees us

Jeremiah 1:5, "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee..."

Psalm 139:14, "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well."

Psalm 139:17, "How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!"

Isaiah 62:5, "For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee."