# The Power of the Free Will in Spiritual Warfare

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# I. Introduction: Differentiation of Legal Grounds and Free Will Bonds

### A. Legal Grounds

- 1. In the Garden of Eden, Satan gained the legal right to take dominion over mankind and to determine his ultimate destiny.
- 2. By sacrificing His own life on the Cross of Calvary, Jesus did everything necessary to nullify Satan's legal right to hold us under His dominion and to determine our eternal destiny.
- 3. An act of faith on our part applies the work of Jesus Christ to our own lives. We are set free from the dominion of Satan, released from the penalty of our sins, and restored to our original destiny of spending eternity with God Himself.

### **B.** Free Will Bonds

- 1. If man, of his own free will, does something that establishes a connection to Satan or his underlings, God, who never violates man's free will, allows that to stand until the person makes a different free will decision to cancel the previous one.
- 2. These free will bonds do not affect our eternal destiny, which is sealed when we accept Jesus as our personal Savior.
- 3. They do create a bonded connection between us and evil spiritual beings, however.

#### C. The Power of our Free Will in the Spiritual Realm

It has tremendous power to effect great change in the spiritual realm.

- 1. It releases us from the dominion of Satan.
- 2. It binds us to evil spiritual beings.

# II. Why God Gave Man a Free Will

### A. God's Ultimate Purpose for Man

- 1. God's very nature is love.
- 2. To be fulfilled, love needs an object and someone similar to oneself to return love.
  - a. God has this in His relationship with the Son and the Holy Spirit.
  - b. However, it seems that He wanted beings outside of His own triune self to enter into a love relationship with Himself too.

3. God envisioned and designed man to be His lovemates.

The angels give God glory, but only man can give Him love.

a. This will ultimately be fulfilled in eternity.

1 John 3:1 states that this is when we will truly be "like Him."

- 1) We will have shed the limitations of our physical bodies, which have borne the curse of sin and death.
- 2) We will be free from the flesh, which Satan contaminated us with when he gained dominion over us.
- b. Our earthly life is designed to prepare us for this.
  - 1) We get to choose if we want to love Him.
  - 2) We get to learn how to love Him and to enter into His love.
  - 3) Our love is also tested for its genuineness, strength, and endurance.

#### B. God's Need to Make Us "Like Himself"

To be His lovemates, God needed to make man "like Himself."

- 1. He created us in His image.
- 2. He gave us a free will.
- 3. He gave us the ability to love.

# III. Why God Honors Man's Free Will

Man's free will is something that is absolutely sacrosanct to Him. He will not violate it.

- A. Because it was His special gift to us to make us "like Him."
- B. Because without it we would not be able to freely love Him.
- C. Because it would be meaningless if He overrode it instead of honoring it

# IV. How Man's Free Will Works against Us

The free will decisions of other people can negatively impact our lives. While this grieves the heart of God, He has to honor these free will decisions or it would totally devalue His special gift of a free will that He gave to us to make us "like Him" so that we could be His eternal lovemate.

#### A. Our ancestors

1. Generational inheritances

Any grievous iniquity or pattern of sin that a person chooses to enter into leaves an impact on the "spiritual DNA" of his succeeding generations (Ex. 20:5; Lam. 5:7; 1 Peter 1:18).

- a. We seemingly inherit an increased tendency to sin in like manner.
- b. We seemingly do not incur the curses of generational inheritance unless we personally enter into the same iniquity (Mat. 23:29-36).

#### 2. Generational barters

Individuals can seemingly enter into barters with Satan exchanging access to their future generations for some favor from Satan (Rev. 18:13).

#### 3. Generational dedications

Parents and grandparents can also enact rituals to dedicate their children and future generations to Satan.

## B. Living people

1. Our parents or caregivers

Parents or caregivers leave an enormous impact on their children through the decisions that they make in raising them.

#### 2. Abuse perpetrators

Individuals given over to evil or selfish or perverted pleasures can choose to abuse others, including innocent children, causing huge amounts of suffering in their lives.

#### V. How Man's Free Will Works for Us

### A. Overturning the Free Will Decisions of Ancestors

Just as our free will decision activates the power of the shed blood of Jesus Christ to release us from the dominion of Satan and to effect our eternal salvation, it also can activate the power of the shed blood of Jesus Christ to set us free from any other spiritual bondage.

In this way our own free will decisions can trump the free will decisions of our ancestors concerning us, freeing us from:

- 1. Generational inheritances and curses
- 2. Generational barters
- 3. Generational dedications

### B. Overturning the Free Will Decisions of Living People

- 1. Curses sent against us
- 2. Free will bonds we or parts of us made

In DID, God seems to prioritize the free will decisions of the Original Self and the Pain-Buffering Primaries that represent the true self over the free will decisions of the other identities that were formed from them.

# IV. Application to the Healing of Ritual Abuse Survivors

#### A. In Pre-Natal Healing

Pre-natal healing for ritual abuse survivors is proving to be an effective means to shorten the journey to spiritual freedom.

- 1. As God reveals the various spiritual bondages coming against the person, the person is given the opportunity to express his free will in accepting or rejecting them.
  - a. Coming from generational acts before conception
  - b. Coming from the cult connections of parents and grandparents while in the womb

- 2. An appeal is then made to God to honor the free will decision and to apply the blood of Jesus to break this particular bondage off of the person.
- 3. Since the bondage is rejected at its roots, we then boldly ask God to remove all effects of this bondage that occurred throughout the person's life because of it.
  - a. Breaking and removing the connection to any and all evil beings
  - b. Returning any parts, cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ, that were taken to other dimensions or realms because of the bondage
  - c. Cleansing the person of all contamination in his body, soul, and spirit

#### B. Later in Life

- 1. Issues
  - a. Curses
  - b. Free will bonds
    - 1) Established in rituals
    - 2) Established in any way
- 2. Procedure: Same as above for pre-natal issues