

OVERCOMING JEZEBEL, ATHALIAH & BELIAL



IN THE HEAVENLIES

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CHAPTER 5: THOSE WHO OVERCOME THE SPIRIT OF JEZEBEL GET AUTHORITY OVER NATIONS

Revelation 2:20-23 “20 But I have this against you: **that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess** [claiming to be inspired], and who is teaching and leading astray my servants and beguiling them into practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols. 21 I gave her time to repent, but she has no desire to repent of her immorality [symbolic of idolatry] and refuses to do so. 22 Take note: I will throw her on a bed [of anguish], and those who commit adultery with her [her paramours] I will bring down to pressing distress and severe affliction, unless they turn away their minds from conduct [such as] hers and repent of their doings. 23 And I will strike her children (her proper followers) dead [thoroughly exterminating them]. And all the assemblies (churches) shall recognize and understand that I am He Who searches minds (the thoughts, feelings, and purposes) and the [inmost] hearts, and I will give to each of you [the reward for what you have done] as your work deserves. 25 Only hold fast to what you have until I come. 26 **And he who overcomes (is victorious) and who obeys My commands to the [very] end [doing the works that please Me], I will give him authority and power over the nations ...**”



1 Kings 16:29 “29 In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah, Ahab son of Omri began his reign of twenty-two years over Israel in Samaria.”

What Does Her Name Mean?

➤ “**without co-habitation**” – one who is fiercely independent.

This spirit refuses to dwell together with anybody unless they can control or dominate this relationship.

What Are The Characteristics Of This Spirit?

➤ **It is neither male nor female.**

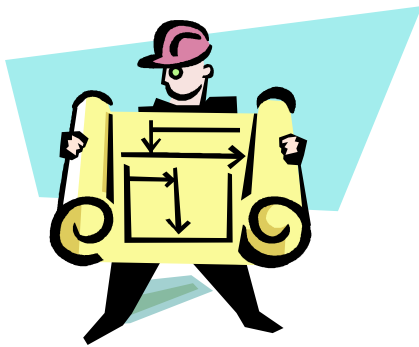
This spirit seems to operate more through women than men. There are certain facets of our fallen nature that manifest stronger in men and other facets that manifest stronger in

women. A woman's beauty and attractiveness to men was God-given in its pure state, but after the fall, it became perverted; the woman's ability to be sensual and to influence through seductive ways and manipulation was the result. Jezebel preys on the ability that a woman has through her beauty and attractiveness; Jezebel preys on men who are made to control and dominate.

➤ **This spirit is a Principality – not just a demon.**

Ephesians 6:12 *"12 For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere."*

"Arche" – means **"first in rank, or authority; beginning; government"**. It is often joined to a political spirit.



It is also linked to the word **"architect"**. An architect is the first one who actually has the vision of something to build and then lays out a plan and blueprint to follow.

Satan has his own delegated authorities – architects in the spiritual realm who first lay out the vision of destruction and then gather demons to implement their plans. It is the counterpart in the kingdom of darkness for an archangel in the Kingdom of God.

A Principality does not inhabit people – it rules over regions or nations of the world.

Jezebel is a high-ranking spirit that is responsible for governing / ruling / exercising its influence over entire regions of the earth.

1 Kings 19:14 *"14 He said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts, because the Israelites have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and slain Your prophets with the sword. And I, I only, am left, and they seek my life, to destroy it."*

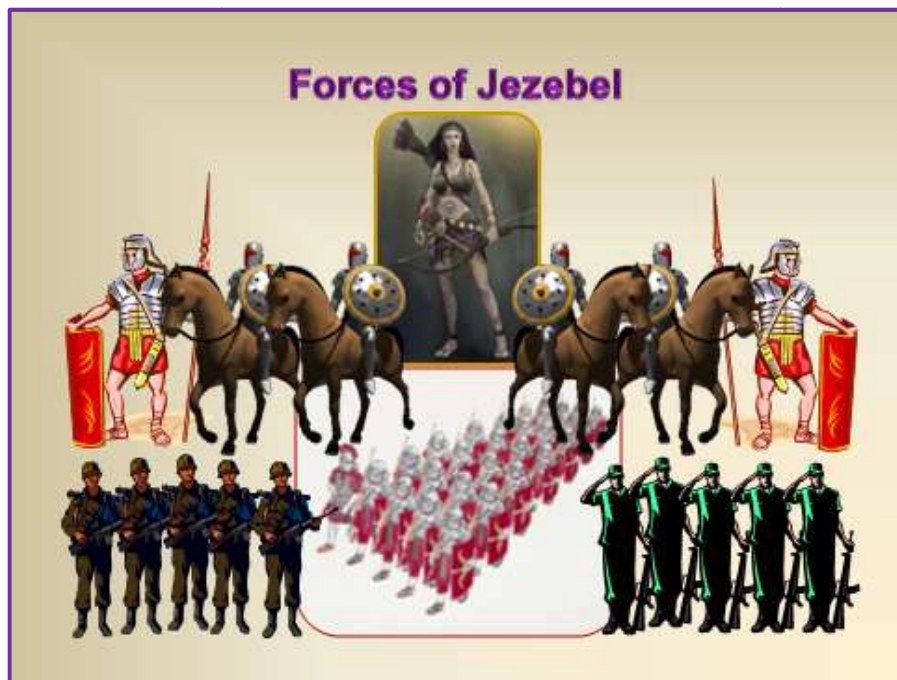
This spirit of Jezebel was dominating the entire nation of Israel.



The Principality Jezebel And Her Demonic “Daughters”

Jezebel is a principality therefore there are many layers / rankings in the supporting structure of this “organization”. It is therefore clear that Jezebel cannot be removed by the usual deliverance of binding and loosing.

The various layers of this structure that support this principality of Jezebel will be manned by demons. When you can identify these specific demonic elements in an individual person or family, you will be able to do the required deliverance.



CHAPTER 6: FRUITS OF JEZEBEL



The spirit of Jezebel inflicts **poverty, infirmity, divination and a spirit of religion**. Jezebel also brings **confusion, fear and doubt into lives and circumstances**.

Jezebel operates with the **Python spirit** – it feels as if the life and breath were being squeezed out of you! It targets the anointing and even while ministering, you could experience an attack of **dizziness and confusion** coming over your mind!

A. WITCHCRAFT:

Control and uses manipulation, intimidation and domination.

1 Kings 19:2 *“2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.”*

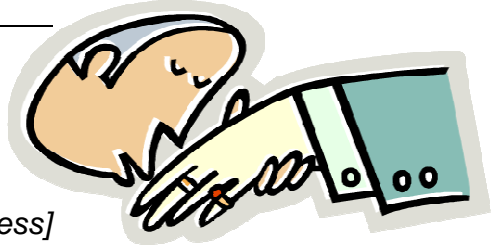
1 Kings 21:25 *“25 For there was no one who sold himself to do evil in the sight of the Lord as did Ahab, incited by his wife Jezebel.”*

Revelation 2:20 *“20 But I have this against you: that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess [claiming to be inspired], and who is teaching and leading astray my servants and beguiling them into practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols.”*

2 Kings 9:22 *“22 When Joram saw Jehu, he said, Is it peace, Jehu? And he answered, How can peace exist as long as the fornications of your mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many?”*

B. IDOLATRY

1 Kings 16:31 *“31 As if it had been a light thing for Ahab to walk in the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, he took for a wife Jezebel daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and served Baal and worshiped him.”*

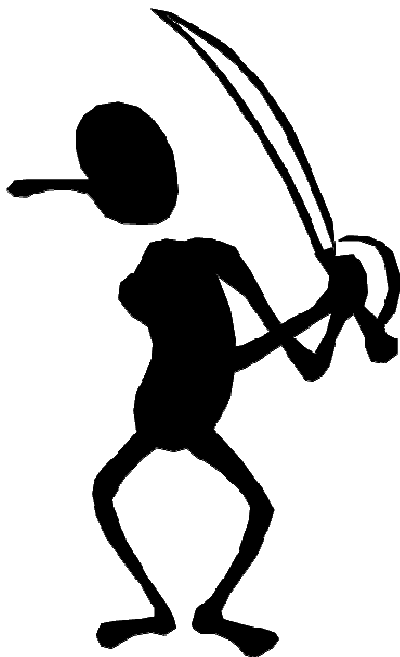


1 Kings 18:19 *“19 Therefore send and gather to me all Israel at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of [the goddess] Asherah, who eat at [Queen] Jezebel’s table.”*

“If you are Elijah, I am Jezebel. So may gods do to me and more so if I do not make your life as a life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” Putting the names in opposition Elijah verses Jezebel, puts the respective deities in opposition as well for Elijah’s name means: “Yahweh is my God”. Jezebel means “Baal” or “Bel” meaning prince / principality.

C. SEXUAL IMMORALITY

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D. MURDER

1 Kings 18:4 *“4 For when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the Lord, Obadiah took a hundred prophets and hid them by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water.”*

1 Kings 18:13 *“13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the Lord, how I hid a hundred men of the Lord’s prophets by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water?”*

E. DECEPTION

She does a lot of the deceiving and influencing through religious spirits.

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Revelation 2:24 *“24 But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not explored and known the depths of Satan, as they say—I tell you that I do not lay upon you any other [fresh] burden”*

1 Kings 18:19 *“19 Therefore send and gather to me all Israel at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of [the goddess] Asherah, who eat at [Queen] Jezebel’s table.”*

Jezebel cared personally for 450 Baal priests and 400 prophets of Asherah – they ate at her table.

F. OPERATES MAINLY THROUGH AN AHAB

❖ Ahab

The teachings of the past have portrayed Ahab as being a mindless, weak, soft man with no backbone.

Instead, Ahab was a highly competent man and he accomplished much in life. The core issue with an Ahab is that they will not engage in a battle of wills with an equal or a superior.

They have to make sure that they will win – so they will use skill, logic, they use the social system or most likely they will limit themselves to activities where there is no contention or battle of wills.

When you see this manifesting in a person, you will see that the mother of this Ahab who was trapped in a no-win situation.

Example:

A mother is married to an alcoholic. She understood that there was no possibility of reasoning with him – drunk or sober. So, therefore she builds a lifestyle around **survival** not success. She probably opted for peace at any cost. Her mindset that you cannot win – there was no point in engaging in this battle because you were sure to lose – that was passed onto her sons.



Later in life, even if the son is in a totally different situation – (he is not necessarily married to a rage-o-holic, or someone with some major problems,) he is listening to that **foundationally imbedded memory** and will not engage in battle because of the presupposition that you cannot win!

Whenever you have someone who has been defeated or who has opted for survival instead of success, you will see that it lays the seeds for an Ahab

personality in the next generation. Many times we find men with amazing gifts, abilities and talents and competence that they bring to the table, yet they always stop one inch short of confrontation because of the right brain data transfer that came from the left eye of the mother that said: “Don’t engage in war. You will lose. Conflict cannot be won. Seek survival and not success.”

❖ Jezebel

The teachings of the past portrayed Jezebel as a man or a woman who was wounded by somebody in authority – they made the vow: “I will never be wounded again” – they then seek to control authorities proactively so that they would not be wounded again and eventually became obsessive controllers.

This is only a part of the picture.

If you look at the mother of a Jezebel, you will find someone who was never able to receive. When a mother cannot receive that which would normally be hers to receive, the alternative is the belief system: “I have to take care of myself – I have to meet my own needs. I cannot trust the environment around me to care for me.”

That message is passed onto the child. This child who is the future Jezebel, may very well end up in a context where a lot of people would be very willing to be life-giving to the Jezebel.

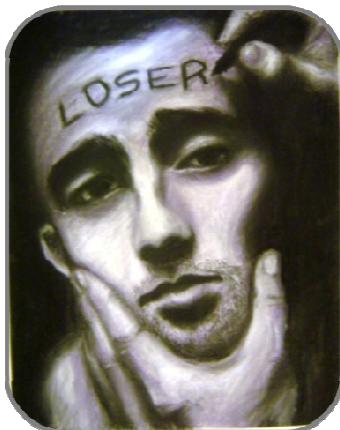
However, if they have trouble receiving, they will almost always have trouble submitting.



If they have trouble receiving and they **have** to meet their own needs, they **have** to care for themselves; they cannot **risk** submitting to somebody in authority who might limit their ability to control their environment around them.

We need to realize how these things work in the spirit so that we can pray more effectively for those under the stronghold of an Ahab and Jezebel spirit.

We need to realize that apart from whatever is going on in the left side of the brain – all of the logic, all of the theology, all the teachings that we try to convince them about having a Jezebelic spirit; there is a very loud message being shouted from the emotional data-base saying:



For Ahab: “You won’t win. Don’t bother. Just survive.”

For Jezebel: “Don’t receive. It’s only safe when you meet your own need. You have to take care of yourself. Don’t trust community.”

It is so important for us to understand how such good people, well intentioned people, can be so stuck. The reasoning in our left brain is relatively ineffective when we are battling ungodly beliefs that come from our right-brain data base.

All of the commitments made with our left brain are ruthlessly overridden by the right brain. In the past, we described this type of behaviour in theological terms as the “flesh”. We had to crucify the flesh! We had to kill the “old man”.

A lot of these terms that were taken out of scripture were not put in the context to what was really happening inside of us.

Now we understand how things work and the role that the mother plays as the primary caregiver. As she looks at her baby, there is a message from her emotional data-base passing through her left eye into the right brain of the child.

Even if the Ahab and Jezebel have heard all the theology; they know they are sinning and can identify it with their left brain; yet they cannot stop their behaviour because the

foundational drive from the right brain memory – that generational memory – is overwhelming.⁴



G. OPPOSES THE WORD OF GOD – ESPECIALLY THE PROPHETIC

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1 Kings 18:13 “13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the Lord, how I hid a hundred men of the Lord’s prophets by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water?”

Jezebel sought most of the prophets out and killed them as far as she went from any of the schools, Samuel, Elijah ...

❖ Elijah

This spirit hates the prophetic and especially the forerunning ability that the prophetic brings – to go before and move the people of God into the ways and purposes of God.

The prophetic mantle points the way, and says: “walk in it; this is the Word of the Lord, obey it!”

Together with the prophetic anointing comes REPENTENCE. The prophetic discerns that repentance is necessary.

❖ The Emotions Of Elijah After The Warning Of Jezebel

1 Kings 19:1-3 “1 AHAB TOLD Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had slain all the prophets [of Baal] with the sword.2 Then Jezebel **sent a messenger** to Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow. 3 Then he was **afraid** and arose and **went for his life** and came to Beersheba of Judah [over eighty miles, and out of Jezebel’s realm] and left his servant there.”



⁴ For a better understanding on right and left brain downloads from the mother, please see “Blessings And Curses On Motherhood” available from Kanaan Ministries at kanaan@iafrica.com

What did Elijah experience?

- Fear
- Panic
- Self pity
- Hopelessness
- Deception
- Confusion
- Isolation
- Discouragement



This spirit that works through deception creates mindsets and ways of thinking that distort. By creating a fear for the prophetic – through abuse or whatever – it partners with a religious spirit and moves into the church and the church then co-partners with the spirit of Jezebel. This spirit is an expert at causing church splits.

❖ John The Baptist



The same emotional feelings that came upon Elijah also came upon John the Baptist.

Matthew 11:1-7 “2 Now when John in prison heard about the activities of Christ, he sent a message by his disciples 3 And asked Him, Are You the One Who was to come, or should we keep on expecting a different one? 4 And Jesus replied to them, **Go and report to John what you hear and see:** 5 The blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed (by healing) and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up and the poor have good news (the Gospel) preached to them. 6 And **blessed (happy, fortunate, and to be envied) is he who takes no offense at Me and finds no cause for stumbling in or through Me and is not hindered from seeing the Truth.**”

❖ The Beheading Of John The Baptist

John the Baptist pointed out the sin of Herodias. The daughter dances and seduces king Herod. He offers her up to half of his kingdom. The daughter consults with her mother Herodias who tells her to ask for the head of John the Baptist.



Mark 6:21-25 *“21 But an opportune time came [for Herodias] when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and the high military commanders and chief men of Galilee. 22 For when the **daughter of Herodias herself came in and danced**, she pleased and fascinated Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, Ask me for whatever you desire, and I will give it to you. 23 And he put himself under oath to her, Whatever you ask me, I will give it to you, even to the half of my kingdom. 24 Then she left the room and said to her mother, What shall I ask for [myself]? And she replied, The head of John the Baptist! 25 And she rushed back instantly to the king and requested, saying, **I wish you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter.**”*

H. AN ENDTIME WORD ABOUT JEZEBEL

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Tolerate – means “to permit or leave alone”.

It can also mean:

“You quit oppressing me and I will not be so prophetic!”

“Keep that prophetic thing under control!”

“If you don’t, I’m coming after you and I’ll get your head!”

PRAYER

We thank You for Your Word Father! Give us wisdom as we walk through this teaching.

We pray for a greater shield of intercession because as we discern this spirit operating in our lives, it will get stirred up. We now pray against discouragement, depression, hopelessness, and despair.

We covenant together to be prayer shields for each other. We will stand for one another according to Your Word in Ephesians 6. In the Name of Jesus, we will not tolerate you Jezebel! We will not tolerate your immorality and your idolatry.

We will not tolerate your emotional work against the souls of people – your displacing, your strife, fear, etc. We will be the forerunning people God has called us to be, in Jesus Name!

No toleration in Jesus Name!

AMEN!

CHAPTER 7: THE METHODS OF JEZEBEL

1 Kings 19:1 *“1 AHAB TOLD Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had slain all the prophets [of Baal] with the sword.2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.”*

Revelation 2:19 *“19 I know your record and what you are doing, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your recent works are more numerous and greater than your first ones. 20 But I have this against you: that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess [claiming to be inspired], and who is teaching and leading astray my servants and beguiling them into practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols.”*



This spirit will only co-habit with people that it can control – individuals, churches, organizations, cities, nations so that it can manipulate and intimidate.

Definitions:

○ Manipulation

- To deal with mentally, to cause by clever maneuvering to act as one wishes.
- To influence by cunningly calculated action.
- To manage or control by shrewd use of influence – especially in an unfair or fraudulent way.



○ Intimidation

- To frighten, especially to influence by threats, threat of harm, etc.

○ Domination

- To exert control over someone

This spirit operates through people – because of past wounds and strongholds that come as a result of hurt and wounding this spirit has the ability to gain influence over a person – through bitterness, resentment, jealousy, fears, insecurities.

Irrespective of the opening that this spirit uses, the end goal will always be to take influence and control.

Her Methods:

A. Seduction – Conquering by Enticement

1. Sexual immorality and perversion

- Porn
- TV and movies
- Fashion

2. Music

3. Intimacy – it is not for the sex as such it is for control

4. Friendships – trying to get close to leaders

B. Strategy



- Starts to give compliments
- Feigned spirituality – “I was praying for you and God showed me... I had a dream about you...”

Remember, that people who are prophetic and can really be receiving from the Lord can find this spirit operating through them.

They do not know that, at times under the influence of this spirit, the gift that they received from the Spirit of God is being used in a manipulative and controlling fashion.

Biblical Examples Sexual control: Samson And Delilah

Judges 6:4 *“4 They would encamp against them and destroy the crops as far as Gaza and leave no nourishment for Israel, and no ox or sheep or donkey.”*

Samson was from the tribe of Dan. The Danites never conquered all their allotted land, losing most of it to the Philistines and the Amorites. The Philistines were also strongly rooted in Baal – specifically Dagon – worship.



Samson’s mother was from Zorah. His mother was barren but the Lord promised her a son who was to be raised a Nazirite.

Judges 13:5 *“5 For behold, you shall become pregnant and bear a son. No razor shall come upon his head, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from birth, and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hands of the Philistines.”*

Samson was raised according to God’s instructions but he had a weakness – women!

His first love was a daughter of the Philistines – Samson’s eyes deceived his spirit. He married her but was later betrayed by her and the Philistines. He then

became entangled with a harlot and again the Philistines tried to entrap him.

When Delilah came into his life it was as if he had lost all sense of responsibility. Once again, Samson crossed a boundary and defiled his vow to God.

Delilah lived close to where Jezebel was born so she was prey to the same spirits and seductive tendencies as Jezebel and Athaliah.

The difference was that Delilah was not a murderer; she was motivated by the love of money and the spirit of mammon.

Judges 16:5 *“5 And the lords of the Philistines came to her and said to her, Entice him and see in what his great strength lies, and by what means we may overpower him that we may bind him to subdue him. And we will each give you 1,100 pieces of silver.”*

Satan sent Delilah to steal the strength of Samson. She was outwardly “delicate” but she had a heart filled with evil intentions.

Judges 16:16 *“16 And when she pressed him day after day with her words and urged him, he was vexed to death.”*

She was pleasing to the eye but she was very clever with manipulation and seduction. Samson was reduced to weakness, slowness, and lifelessness.

Delilah perverted Samson’s passions. He turned his passion away from God and focused it instead on worldly pleasures.

Through her seductions, Delilah destroyed Samson’s destiny. Satan targets each one of us with the same intentions. He employs seducing spirits to steal the lives and destinies of God’s strong warriors. He perverts our passion and redirects it towards worldly pleasures.

Satan tries to entice us with money or power. Then he targets our strengths and makes them our weaknesses. He strategizes and plans our destruction.



Delilah’s Strategies:

- She operated in “slow seduction”.
- She was not power hungry as Jezebel and Athaliah, except for the power that mammon provides.
- Delilah was a team player.
- She was not a blatant murderer but she plotted and schemed against Samson in order to rob him of his life and destiny.
- She was an idol worshipper.

The main assignment of the Delilah spirit is to attack those who have made a firm vow to the Lord.

Be very careful when someone is trying to get close to you especially if you don’t know them that well or that long. Do not get taken advantage of by feigned spirituality – prophecies, dreams, etc.

- Has the spirit of Delilah robbed you of your strength and determination?
- Do you feel that you have been seduced by the enemy to settle for less than God has for you?

- Maybe you feel as if you have lost your authority and sold out to the enemy in some area of your life?

Maybe you made a vow to the Lord and feel you cannot fulfill what you promised. The Lord is quick to forgive if we repent.



PRAYER

A Prayer To Defeat Delilah

Father God, we praise You for Who You are! You are Almighty and victorious over all our enemies! Your eyes have seen all the injustice we have suffered at the hands of Delilah. We ask Your forgiveness for agreeing with any Philistine god in Yeshua's Name. In every area of our lives where the enemy has built a stronghold, we ask that You will tear down every fortress with Your divine weapons.

In areas where we have allowed the seducing spirit of Delilah to influence our thoughts or actions, we ask You to forgive us. We dethrone Satan's power over us by choosing to follow You fully and obey Your commands.

Lord, empower us with Your divine strength and restore to us the joy of our salvation! We declare that You alone is our strength! In the Name of Yeshua, we ban out every seducing spirit and every evil assignment in every area of our lives that is displeasing to You.

We repent of unfulfilled vows and we declare today that we are becoming empowered to fulfill Your Will for our lives.

Thank You for Your mercy and forgiveness! Thank You for the Blood of Messiah! We shall recover ALL that was stolen from us in Yeshua's Name!

AMEN!

More Of Jezebel's Methods

C. Emotions

- This spirit is very cunning at using emotions – to conquer by manipulation.
- Self pity
- Whining – e.g. Delilah
- Anger



All of this will surface in relationships between:

- Friendships
- Marriages
- Son / daughter

Some people are so good at allowing this spirit to use their emotions – they are such “drama-queens” – they can whine and cry and turn it on so easily! When you can discern this spirit you will be able to tell immediately if the tears are from genuine pain or a manipulative tear to get attention.

D. Deception – Conquering By Religion

- Prophecy

The church in Revelations was controlled by words of prophecy. Jezebel calls herself a Prophetess and most of the believers were not able to discern the wrong and therefore fell into sin.

Many times you receive an accurate prophetic word but you have to check the SPIRIT behind the word!

- **Super Spirituality**
- **Religiosity**
- **Intercessors**



For many years the ministry of intercession was given a bad name because of the spirit of Jezebel that manifested through the prayer groups.

When an intercessor is still controlled by hurts, anger and / or deception, that which comes from her can be mixed. She can receive a word from the Lord, then try to control others through it.

These intercessors will often cloak themselves in a spirituality that makes them so deceptive.

- **False teachings**

Often a real mask of spirituality allows this spirit to gain a place in leadership in committees, boards, etc.

Through their “spirituality” they gain an influence over many people in the congregation – giving them words – praying for them – all very accurate!

This spirit will begin to manifest at some point – it will begin to question authority. It will start to undermine whoever is in authority and cause division.

This spirit is so subtle as it partners with a religious spirit and appears so spiritual that it is difficult to discern.

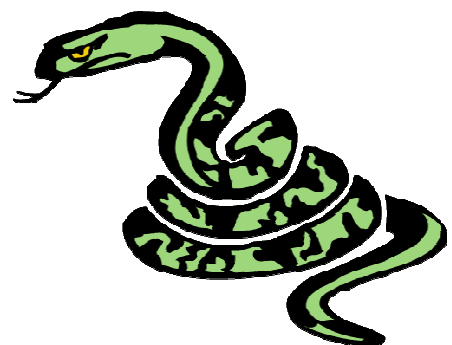
It is not as blatant as witchcraft or idolatry. These are often well-meaning people who do not even know that this spirit is using them; nothing is being done intentionally.

Leaders, how do you stay alert and discerning to deal with someone like this in your church without being critical and not trusting people, etc.?

E. Flattery – Conquering By Joining Or Courting

The Hebrew word for flattery is “**chalaq**”, which means “**to divide, be smooth and seductive**”.

It is derived from a root word meaning “**smooth, slippery and deceitful**”. These are characteristics of a snake, and we all know who the snake is!





Examples of words of flattery:

✓ “You are the most wonderful teacher I know. No one teaches the Word like you. I could sit for hours to listen to your voice.”

✓ “You have such a prophetic flow! You should start your own prophetic church and teach others to follow the Spirit as we do.”

Be careful of those who tell you how wonderful you are! Very sweet, so complimentary and then go behind your back and undermine you!

F. Disunity – Conquering By Separating

- **Subtle and Hidden:**

- Strife, divisions, splits, factions, rumours, conspiracies, to divide loyalties.

- **Blatant Attack:**

- Outright lies, slander, discrediting, character assassination, offences created.

- **Biblical Examples:**

- ✓ Korah
- ✓ Absalom spirit

2 Samuel 15: Absalom would sit at the gates where the people would bring their grievances – he would then say:

“I am so sorry that my Dad David does not have time to hear your grievance. I really hurt for you!”

Turning the hearts of the people away from authority and toward them – that is a Jezebel spirit!

- ✓ Miriam – Numbers 12

Miriam began to question the authority and leadership of Moses. This spirit will always try to divide and undermine authority. One of the things this spirit will do when it trying to operate to bring division will often times have a very unusual ability. When they do not get their way in a



situation, they can turn around and talk to people and coming across as the martyr:

“They just do not understand me. I am just trying to serve and they just don’t understand. All I want to do is just be a blessing.”



They plant little seeds – often it is not blatant enough where they make it real obvious that they are trying to split the church. This spirit is very subtle – planting little seeds in the church, or in relationships in friendships, etc, to cause a person to doubt and to question someone else’s heart and motive.

Miriam and Aaron

Numbers 12:1 *“1 NOW MIRIAM and Aaron talked against Moses [their brother] because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite woman.”*

Miriam was the older sister of Moses. God called her as a prophetess.

Aaron was the older brother of Moses as well as the high priest. Both had significant positions of leadership and authority.

They criticized Moses for marrying a Cushite woman. The woman was not a descendant of Abraham; she was outside the covenant of Abraham. Miriam and Aaron believed that Moses had sinned or made a bad decision by marrying this woman.

Were they correct in their opinion? According to the Word, it would appear so because God had given instructions for the children of Israel to marry among themselves. Foreign wives would draw away their hearts to foreign gods. Miriam and Aaron were right in their assessment, yet wrong as Ham was! Criticizing their leader was out of order. They were not to gossip among themselves or discuss his behaviour with anyone else.

- ✓ They had strong spiritual gifts and God was also speaking through them. Their sin was viewing spiritual gifts or abilities above authority.
- ✓ They reasoned that Moses was now not qualified as an authority over them.
- ✓ They allowed their spiritual gifting to elevate themselves above the authority that God had placed over them.

G. The Offices Of Authority

In the New Testament there are five offices of spiritual authority within the church – Jesus is the Head of all these offices.



Ephesians 4:11-12 *“11 And His gifts were [varied; He Himself appointed and gave men to us] some to be apostles (special messengers), some prophets (inspired preachers and expounders), some evangelists (preachers of the Gospel, traveling missionaries), some pastors (shepherds of His flock) and teachers. 12 His intention was the perfecting and the full equipping of the saints (His consecrated people), [that they should do] the work of ministering toward building up Christ’s body (the church)”*

The authority of the Kingdom flows down through the offices, not the gifts.

A person can be more gifted than his pastor, yet the pastor who stands in the office of authority is over the gifted person. Jesus appoints the offices of service. No one can place a human being in these positions of authority except the Lord, and He does it by the Spirit of God.

Warning!

Romans 16:17-18 *“17 I appeal to you, brethren, to be on your guard concerning **those who create dissensions and difficulties and cause divisions**, in opposition to the doctrine (the teaching) which you have been taught. [I warn you to turn aside from them, to] avoid them. 18 For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ but **their own appetites and base desires, and by ingratiating and flattering speech, they beguile the hearts of the unsuspecting and simpleminded [people].”***



H. Intimidation – Conquering By Fear

- Often times anger is involved – it is an attempt to intimidate by fear, threats - threats of harm, threats of loss, threat of someone leaving, etc.

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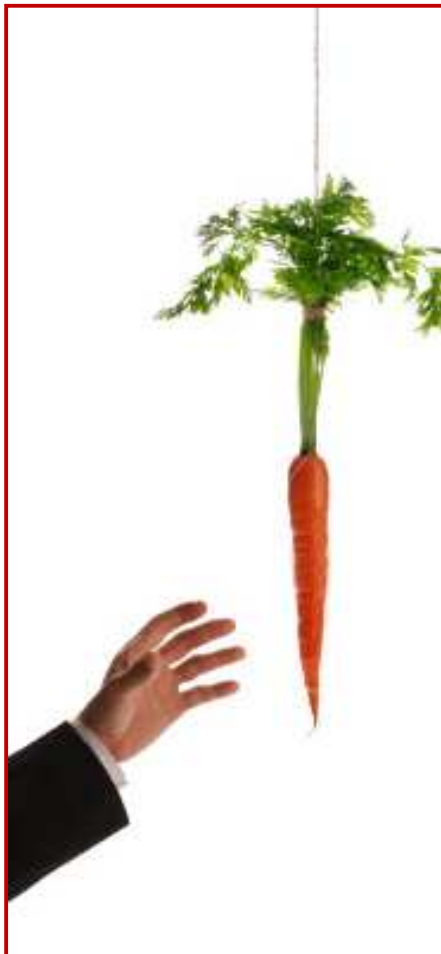
Elijah – fear, hopelessness, intimidation, isolation, etc. Some people come with threats against your life – “God will deal

severely with you – even your very life is in danger!
You will get very ill, have an accident, etc.

They could even give a doom and gloom prophecy of what will happen to the church / ministry / family / marriage, etc., if you do not listen to them.

I. Murder – Conquering By Death Or Destruction

- This spirit will have no problem in taking a life like Jezebel took Nabal's life.
- The spirit of abortion is linked with the spirit of Jezebel.
- This spirit can also spiritually murder a person by slander, character assassination, etc.



J. Accusation

Revelation 12:10 *“10 Then I heard a strong (loud) voice in heaven, saying, Now it has come—the salvation and the power and the kingdom (the dominion, the reign) of our God, and the power (the sovereignty, the authority) of His Christ (the Messiah); for the accuser of our brethren, he who keeps bringing before our God charges against them day and night, has been cast out!”*

Do not align yourself with the accuser of the brethren.

K. Persecution – Generating Emotional Or Spiritual Dependency

The spirit of Jezebel will look for weaknesses in us to create co-dependent relationships so that it can be in control.

They start off encouraging and supporting and then very subtle they start to threaten to withdraw that support in the relationship if they don't get their way.

CHAPTER 8: JEZEBEL'S INFLUENCE / OPPRESSION

FROM THE OUTSIDE

Definition of Oppression: “**cata dinostuio**”

a) “**cata**” means to press down

It denotes ill-will towards something – pushing down, pressing down, trying to position yourself above something or someone else.

b) “**dinostuio**” – means to rule, to terrorize, to oppress harshly, to exercise power over or from above.

You try to position yourself over someone so that you can begin to push them down and exercise power or control over them.

“To push down someone in order to try and rule or control them.”



Acts 10:38 “38 How God anointed and consecrated Jesus of Nazareth with the [Holy] Spirit and with strength and ability and power; how He went about doing good and, in particular, curing all who were harassed and oppressed by [the power of] the devil, for God was with Him.”

I. The Difference Between Demonization And Influence By Demons

To be under the control of this spirit does not mean that you have to be demonized – they do not have to do it from within – often it is simply done through exerting influence over in various ways.

II. The Spirit Realm – The Spiritual Atmosphere

There really is a great warfare going on around us in the spirit realm all the time.

Ephesians 6:10 “10 In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [be empowered through your union with Him]; draw your strength from Him [that strength which His boundless might provides].”

III. Daniel



This scripture tells us that it took 21 days for the angel to reach Daniel; even with Michael, the archangel's help, to fight against The Prince of Persia to deliver the message.

There is great warfare in the heavenlies and what we learn from the prayers of Daniel is that it really is the prayers of the saints on earth that determine whose going to win that battle up there i.e. the angels need the prayers and intercession of the saints because that is how God works – God chose to work through our prayers.

Revelation 12:7 *“7 Then war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels went forth to battle with the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought. 8 But they were defeated, and there was no room found for them in heaven any longer.”*

“There was war in the heavens” – This refers to the spiritual realm where satan wars from – who will control the invisible realm of the spirit – the atmosphere?

It is an ability to exert influence over the people of that region.

As the Body of Christ on earth agrees with Its Head in Heaven, the Spirit of Christ Himself displaces the powers of darkness in the heavenly places.

In other words, when the Body of Christ on earth is aggressive in its agreement with the Will and Word of God then the presence of God increases in the spiritual realm proportionately displacing the influence of hell there and then consequently on earth.

Shortly thereafter manifesting in the world of men we see revivals, healings and miracles.

When true revival comes it is because there has been such breakthrough in the realm of the spirit, the powers of darkness are displaced over that area and the Kingdom of God is the prevailing force there that it begins to influence the hearts of men.

There are accounts of people that happen to drive into that area, they come under the influence of the Holy Spirit, start to weep and seek for the nearest church to give their lives to the Lord!

Miracles and deliverances increase, strongholds are broken over people more easily because something happened in the realm of the spirit which changed the prevailing force there and all of the influence over human beings changed.

Conversely, the opposite happens as well: when there is more idolatry, more darkness and the powers of darkness have a greater stronghold in the area, you will find more violence, murder, more broken homes, more addictions, more perversions, etc, because that which is influencing people from that invisible realm is the kingdom of darkness.

IV. Conclusion

There is an invisible force around us that truly many times have ability, when we are not even aware of it, to influence the way we think and the way we feel.

V. Biblical Examples

- ❖ There was an **atmosphere of unbelief** in Nazareth. It was demonically inspired and Jesus said He could not work many miracles there because of their unbelief.
- ❖ Paul invading the territory of the goddess Diana

Acts 19:28 *“28 As they listened to this, they were filled with rage and they continued to shout, Great is Artemis of the Ephesians! 29 Then the city was filled with confusion; and they rushed together into the amphitheater, dragging along with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were fellow travelers with Paul.”*



Confusion and rage stirred up in the hearts of the people, who not know that a spirit from the spirit realm was motivating them.

Your spirit can be so sensitive that you can pick up what is happening in the spirit realm – you sense lust, or New Age, or occultic defilement, etc, when you come into certain areas or places.

Spirits ruling the spiritual realm over an area will influence the way people feel and think without them being aware of what is happening.

If there is any kind of an opening – it does not have to be sin – which can even be that you do not have the shield of faith up – (because of ignorance – not being aware or knowledgeable) – can result in the enemy taking advantage and destroying you.

VI. Oppression From Within

Many times a spirit has access because we have strongholds in our minds or our emotions (a stronghold is NOT a demon).

A stronghold is a place that a demon will use to take advantage of us. Stronghold and strongman is not the same thing.

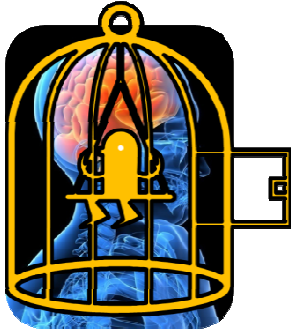
1. What Is A Stronghold?

- A practised way of thinking that has become ingrained and automatic. It has a life and will of its own.
- Areas of the mind where we are held captive and our perceptions are completely distorted.
- Areas of the mind where darkness reigns.
- A system of logic rooted in a lie that we have come to accept.
- A system of thought that is behind any habitual response, addiction, fixation, compulsion, obsession and / or inordinate fear.
- A mental or emotional command post to which the enemy has access.
- A house made of thoughts.



“**Stronghold**” in Greek **χύρωμα ochurōma** – Strong’s 3794 – means:

- “to hold or to have possession of something in a very strong way.”
- “a fortress, a castle, a prison, a fort.”
- “any place from which you could hold onto territory or hold onto a person in a very strong impenetrable way.”



2 Corinthians 10:4 “4 For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood], but they are mighty before God for the overthrow and destruction of **strongholds**, 5 [Inasmuch as we] refute arguments and theories and reasonings and every proud and lofty thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God; and we lead every thought and purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).”

2. How Are They Formed?

- A stronghold is a place in the mind or the emotions from which the enemy can
 - take advantage of us,
 - rule us,
 - operate from,
 - hold us in bondage,
 - manipulate us through that place,
 - control us,
 - influence us,
 - get us to act a certain way.
- A stronghold can be formed **GENERATIONALLY**.

You can be born with them – you inherit a sin nature in your spirit that goes all the way back to Adam and Eve.

You also inherit from your parents physically – you might look like them, diseases, etc.

You can also inherit from your parent’s things in your soul – the mind, the will and the emotions.

You are born with predispositions – not only your personality that emanates from your soul – “you are so much like your father” – but you are also born with strongholds – strongholds in cultures or people groups.



❖ “I am just stubborn because I am German.”

❖ “I have my Irish temper”

What are they saying? -That these things are passed down from generation to generation. If your father was addicted to alcohol, then it means that you are born with a weakness – a tendency towards addiction – you an addictive personality. Anger, fears, etc can be passed on generationally.

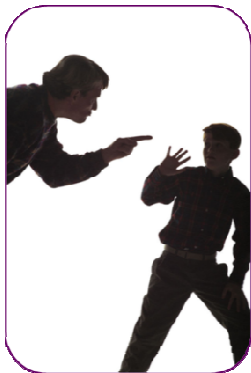
- A stronghold can be formed through **OUR EXPERIENCES.**

Parents who were controlling and domineering – operating with the spirit of Jezebel, will cause you to develop one of the two following strongholds:

Timid and shy and so prone to being controlled – a victim of Jezebel

OR

Rebellion against your parents / authority figures



You grow up and become just like your parents – a controlling and manipulative person.

If that stronghold develops in your mind – then the Jezebel spirit has an opening / right to start to influence you in that way.

If you experienced abuse in your growing up years which led to many wounds in your soul – mind, will and emotions – wounded in the area of your personality. You will be very susceptible to the following:

❖ **Putting Up Walls To Protect You**

- It will affect your relationships – you will keep people at arm’s length.
- You will have an inability to show affection
- You will not be able to communicate love and affection because what you experienced worked itself into a mindset – a way of thinking – that became a stronghold in you.



❖ **Anger**

- Once you get old enough to control that situation and get out from under it, you probably, if you were suppressed, you are going to be a very anger person and you may have a stronghold of anger.



❖ **Fear**

- You now have a belief system – there are things in your mind that you believe whether you realize it or not – that are anti-Word of God.

• **God says:**

- ✓ “You do not have a spirit of fear,
- ✓ you do not have to be afraid of love,
- ✓ you do not have to walk in anger –
- ✓ you can walk in gentleness of heart –
- ✓ I have given you that nature in your spirit but this stronghold in your mind is operating in a different way and now this spirit that wants to work through you has an ability to often times come and work through you.”



PRAYER

Lord, we ask You, through revelation and understanding, dethrone the places in our minds and emotions where any spirit have access to us that can plant their thoughts and manipulate circumstances that touch that stronghold and cause us to act a certain way either by becoming a controlling person, or an immoral person, or a fearful person, or an unbelieving person, or unable to control our emotions whether it be jealousies, or angers, or ungodly appetites.

Lord please make us bold and to not afraid or fascinated with any spirit and not to be so engrossed in that realm that we are more alert to darkness than we are to light, but Lord help us to guard and have our shields always in position to quench the fiery darts of the enemy.

Father, we ask You to help us when any of the emotion attacks come our way

– hopelessness, despair, fear, discouragement, isolation, etc, to immediately recognise where it is coming from, rise up and say:

“NO! I know this is Jezebel! It is trying to run me off, discourage me, steal my destiny, steal my inheritance, and I will not tolerate it!”

Lord, teach us how Jezebel and other spirits work through our mindsets, ways of thinking that have given the ability for an evil spirit to influence the way I act.

Help us Lord, we want to establish strongholds of truth – we want to get people free of this any other bondage that have come to them and have caused them to be controlled or influenced in anyway by unclean spirits.

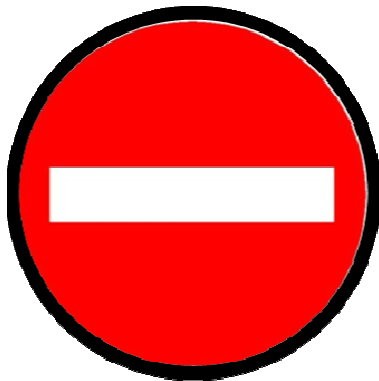
Show us Father, what are the strongholds in our own minds – what are the wounds that we carry from our childhood that have not been dealt with.

We ask all of this in the Name of Jesus,

AMEN!

CHAPTER 9: ROOTS THAT OPEN ONE TO BE CONTROLLED OR USED BY THE SPIRIT OF JEZEBEL

Ephesians 4:27 *“27 Leave no [such] room or foothold for the devil [give no opportunity to him].”*



“Do not give place to the devil” – Greek – “topos” – which means “a piece of territory or land”.

“Do not give any ownership / territory in you to the enemy.”

We need to build up on understanding of the areas which cause us to see if there is anything in us to make us to be susceptible to this spirit and then get these roots dealt with so that we are not easily influenced.

1. Unhealed Wounds

Unhealed wounds usually open the door for some kind of an evil spirit to have influence in our lives. It will often lead us in acts of manipulation and rebellion to the degree that we are not whole.

Control of others is motivated by wanting to protect oneself from repeated hurts. Usually the subconscious motivation for doing that is because you don't want to be hurt again.

If you have an unhealed wound, you have to take a close look at your relationships.

Be honest with yourself ...

Could it be that in situations where you are not operating in integrity or honesty (manipulating circumstances, conversations, etc) in your relationship with someone emotionally that you want to be in control?

The manipulation that you use to protect yourself will allow Jezebel to be in control.

A Biblical Example:

❖ Absalom

Through his hurts and his wounds, and then his resentment towards his father, king David. He moved into a rebellious nature and allowed Jezebel to operate through him.

2. Rebellion

Rebellion opens the door for this spirit to use, control us.

❖ Miriam and Aaron

Miriam and Aaron rebelled against the authority of Moses.

Numbers 12:1 *“1 NOW MIRIAM and Aaron talked against Moses [their brother] because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite woman. 2 And they said, Has the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Has He not spoken also by us? And the Lord heard it.”*



“Do you think you are the only one that hears from God around here?”

1 Kings 19:2 *“2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow. 3 Then he was afraid and arose and went for his life and came to Beersheba of Judah [over eighty miles, and out of Jezebel’s realm] and left his servant there.”*

The Jezebel spirit manifests the moment they speak ill words about Moses. While they do hear from God, they do not know how to honour authority – they have a root of rebellion. We as a nation are very open to this spirit – we have such an independent spirit to do our own thing.

❖ Korah

Numbers 16:1 *“1 NOW KORAH son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram sons of Eliab, and On son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men, Numbers 16:3 “3 And they gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, [Enough of you!] You take too much upon yourselves, seeing that all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them. Why then do you lift yourselves up above the assembly of the Lord?”*



The person influenced by this spirit believes that they hear from God better than anyone else. They will usually begin to attack leaders -they start off being very subtle and have a super-spiritual desire to communicate the very accurate

Word of the Lord. Even if the Word is accurate, you can still discern there is something about this is just not right.

1 Samuel 15:23 *“23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as idolatry and teraphim (household good luck images). Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He also has rejected you from being king.”*

This Word teaches us that rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft which characterizes Jezebel. When you move in rebellion you are an open prey for the spirit of Jezebel.

Walk in Godly submission – to one another, to your leaders.

Allow the Lord to break that rebellion if it is part of your nature,

3. Bitterness Or Resentment

If we harbour bitterness and resentment in our hearts, we are open to any evil spirit.

Hebrews 12:15 *“15 Exercise foresight and be on the watch to look [after one another], to see that no one falls back from and fails to secure God’s grace (His unmerited favor and spiritual blessing), in order that no root of resentment (rancor, bitterness, or hatred) shoots forth and causes trouble and bitter torment, and the many become contaminated and defiled by it ...”*



Bitterness cuts you off from the grace of God.

Unforgiveness cuts you off from the grace of God – it does not mean that God does not love you! God will reach out to you to try and get you free from your bitterness – His is very merciful – but you cannot receive His Grace if you are walking in a root of bitterness – you must walk in forgiveness!

Bitterness is caused by abuses, wounds, rejection, neglect, etc.

Bitterness always works hand-in-hand with rebellion.

If a person has undealt with baggage of unforgiveness and anger, they will sooner or later take it out on the next leader they join.

If you are their next leader, be patient with them, walk with them and see if they are prepared to deal with their issues. If they are not prepared to do so, let them go.

The sad thing is that there are many who repeat the same cycle over and over again – every time with a new church and a new leader.

They are like putty in the hands of Jezebel. They will tear churches apart, tear homes apart, tear relationships apart, because that bitterness inside of them defiles every where it goes.

It is imperative that you are honest before the Lord and say: **“Lord, please, show me, help me get this dealt with.”**

It does not matter what they did to you or how bad they hurt you – you **MUST** let it go in Jesus Name!



4. Fear

Fear will open the door to demonic control and especially to Jezebel. One does not know this is what is happening until God, by His Grace, opens up the TRUTH about yourself to you: “You are insecure”.

Fear comes into our lives because of some abuse or deficiency in our foundational years, betrayal, etc.

People will try to overcome fear in many different ways.

Fear can cause you to become very insecure and introverted, or you can be very extroverted – both of these are the same motivation namely, FEAR.

Fear of rejection and fear of failure keeps you from relating to people. Even if you are extroverted – the life of the party, etc, the same root of fear could also motivate it: namely fear of rejection – trying to gain acceptance.

You have to be in control of relationships, conversations, and every situation otherwise you feel you are out of control.

You position yourself in every conversation to look good. Jezebel preys on these weaknesses in our lives.

This spirit that wants control will just grab you right there at the point of your pain and your weakness and there is a **“topos”** – a place – a foothold in you from which this spirit that can manipulate you and get you to manipulate others.

Many of us do this unconsciously, just be honest with who you are and ask the Lord to heal you.

5. Root Of Pride

The root of pride can be the taproot for all sin and every opening for us to be controlled by the enemy.

Selfish ambition – pride wants to control and is different from the control needed to be secure.

This type of control ...

- Wants pre-eminence
- Wants to be exalted
- Loves attention
- Seeks titles and positions
- Zealous to market their gifts
- Self-promotion

For Example:



If you have a gift that is accurate prophetically, it won't take this person long to realize that they can get something out of it.

If you can prophesy the right word at the right time, then sooner or later they will have enough favour to be in a position or be exalted. When this person gets such a position you end up in a mess!

You can have the most amazing accurate prophetic insight and word but because you begin to “use” the gift for your advantage, you can become open for demons. Your word can be spot-on but it is operating by demons and familiar spirits.

Pride leads to so many things ...

- ✓ Jealousy
- ✓ Rivalries

James 3:16 *“16 For wherever there is jealousy (envy) and contention (rivalry and selfish ambition), there will also be confusion (unrest, disharmony, rebellion) and all sorts of evil and vile practices.”*



Take Note!

We don't know when these things are in our heart – it often works in our lives and we do not know it. It takes the Lord a good while to work enough death to self in us to where He can trust us with authority.

The danger for those going into ministry is that because your gift is strong and people are so impressed with your spirituality, they immediately appoint you in a position of leadership and release you in your own ministry.

We then move into our own ministry with our brokenness and immaturity and cause

tremendous damage in the Body of Christ.

You are fair game for the spirit of Jezebel – controlling and wanting to be in charge – and doing everything you can to move up the ladder.

Test To See If Someone Has Ambition!

Speak into their life something they do not like! We are not perfect, so find something that this person needs to work on. If there is a root of pride then Jezebel will have a field day.

The Key ...

Walk in humility and meekness and see to it that there is no ambition, no pride that is controlling you.

6. Uncontrolled Desires

Uncontrolled desires can be:

- ✓ Money
- ✓ Sexual Lust
- ✓ Pleasure
- ✓ Favour and recognition





Greek word for “uncontrolled desires” – **“kamad”** – means:

- ✓ Covet
- ✓ Desire

Genesis 3:6 “6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good (suitable, pleasant) for food and that **it was delightful to look at**, and a tree to be desired in order to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she gave some also to her husband, and he ate.”

“Ungoverned desires” – become lust – which is an open door to the enemy – especially Jezebel who begin to use you because you will be motivated not by your spirit but by your souls and your flesh. You want those desires satisfied and somewhere along the way you will **compromise** to get those desire fulfilled. When you compromise, the spirit will then have a foothold in your life to operate from. Make sure you deal with your desires and keep them under the control of the Holy Spirit. The degree to which you walk away from the Holy Spirit will be the degree of access, even unknowingly, that you give to this evil spirit.

7. Other Demons

If you have opened doors to one or more evil spirits, they will in turn open more doors to more demons.

