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DEMONIC WARFARE
AND DEMONS – PART 1

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Today's Scripture is **Revelation 16:13-14**: *"And I saw three unclean (foul, lewd, and impure) **spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon** (Satan), **and out of the mouth of the beast** (Antichrist), **and out of the mouth of the false prophet**. For they are the spirits of devils (demons, supernatural spirits of a bad nature), **working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.**"*

I am not here to instill fear, trepidation, or anxiety within anyone's heart. However, in the coming days you are going to witness more demonic activity than ever before. Many of the end-time prophesied events will be accomplished through demonic powers.

After the revelation of the Antichrist, satanic powers, false signs, and lying wonders will explode worldwide: *"**Even him** (the Antichrist), **whose coming is after the working** (operation) **of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness"*** (2 Thessalonians 2:9-12).

There are many who teach the Antichrist will be possessed by Satan; that is faulty teaching. Looking closely, Paul said the Antichrist *"will be after"* the work-

ing of Satan. Following Christ's Second Advent, Satan will be cast into the bottomless pit, and the false prophet and the Antichrist will be cast into the Lake of Fire: *"**And the beast** (the Antichrist) **was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive** (they never die) **into a lake of fire burning with brimstone**"* (Revelation 19:20). Satan is cast into the bottomless pit: the Antichrist and false prophet are cast into the Lake of Fire. Satan is a fallen angel; thus, he cannot possess anyone; however, he will deceive multitudes.

Demonic activity is already flourishing throughout the earth. Drugs, better known as *"sorceries"* in the Book of Revelation, are engulfing the entire world. I've never seen such use and abuse concerning drugs as I do today; the world has become awash with fentanyl. We read: *"**Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries** (poisonings, druggings), **nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts**"* (Revelation 9:21).

For the most part, people who use drugs do so to escape reality. Today, many struggle in facing reality; therefore, drugs are their gateway of escape. Because of the distress of nations many can no longer deal with reality. Jesus said, *"**And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress** (anxiety) **of nations, with perplexity** (seeing no way out, being*

at a loss mentally); ***the sea and the waves roaring...**"* (Luke 21:25).

These prophetic words are now coming to pass before our eyes. Many times, in a place of business, I have observed as some employees are high, influenced by drugs, and, for the most part, dysfunctional.

I have a dear friend whose wife is an anesthesiologist. She shared with us how some anesthesiologists, after putting people to sleep with the drug Propofol, would steal any residue left and, sometime later in the day, find a closet or someplace where they could inject the Propofol and fall into a deep sleep for about 20 minutes. God help us and protect us from what even takes place during surgeries today. It was the drug Propofol Michael Jackson was using when he overdosed.

As saints of God, the only way to face reality is with the Word of God and the Holy Ghost. As distress and peril spirals out of control, many will seek to escape the realities of life more than ever before.

Satan and his minions are traversing the earth as I write this newsletter. We read: *"**Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it"*** (Job 1:6-7).

It is obvious from this passage, there are certain assemblies and sessions wherein Satan comes to accuse the people of God. We just observed the assembly when Job be-

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came Satan's object of destruction.

Satan's purpose in coming to Jehovah is to attack and falsely accuse the brethren: *"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused (issued a complaint against) them before our God day and night" (Revelation 12:10).*

On an insightful side note: If the church has already been raptured, as many teach using **Revelation 4:1**, then why is Satan still accusing the brethren if we're already in heaven?

Satan roams the earth to plunder, pillage, and destroy everything he can; only as God permits. Satan is limited in what he can accomplish. In Job's account, *"... the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he (Job) is in thine hand; but (only) save (preserve) his life" (Job 2:6).*

It is during these sessions or assemblies when believers become subjects between Jehovah and Satan. Only Jehovah knows the many times Satan has sought to make a false accusation against us in the courts of God. Like Job, Jehovah will sometimes allow Satan to come against us in a very grave and evil way. It is during these times, Christ becomes our refuge and strong tower in the day of trouble: *"And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me" (Psalm 50:15).*

As followers of Christ, we must have our loins girded with truth: *"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness (demonic spirits) in high places" (Ephesians 6:12).*

Don't ever underestimate the reality of spiritual warfare in this soiled, stained, and sullied world. This is the hour in which you must cleanse your mind with the Holy Scriptures and

develop a deep, committed prayer-life. Reading a Bible verse along with a two-minute prayer isn't going to get the job done in this hour.

If you are not wholly committed, you will struggle terribly here in the time of the end. Due to the gravity of the warfare, many will think God has abandoned them. That will be one of Satan's greatest lies; however, *"Let your conversation (lifestyle) be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Hebrews 13:5).*

As the world becomes more sinful and darkened, the light of the Lamb will only grow brighter. Allow me to be very pointed here: In the coming days, Satan will seek to provoke you in some manner. Satan seeks to create a great hardship, a painful sorrow, or a crippling grief within us all. We read: *"... Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked (pricked or enticed) David to number Israel." (1 Chronicles 21:1).* This evil and satanic provocation caused David to grievously sin against Jehovah.

Following this evil provocation, David told the prophet Gad he wanted to fall into the hands of God: therefore, *"... David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait (distress): let me fall now into the hand of the LORD; for very great are his mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man" (1 Chronicles 21:13).* This grievous and disastrous provocation from Satan caused 70,000 men to lose their lives.

No one reading this newsletter can fully grasp the gravity of certain provocations and how just one could harm or even destroy us in the coming days. If Satan is unable to provoke you, he will pursue another way to hinder and impede your spiritual stride.

I have said many times: *If Satan cannot provoke you, he will give chase to someone very close and dear to you.* The purpose of these provoca-

tions is to harm us and, thus, hinder our love and service for Christ.

At the end of the day, this is all about Satan seeking our demise: *"Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered (sought to detain) us" (1 Thessalonians 2:18).* Paul reassures the people of God he personally sought to come to them, but Satan hindered him. Don't think for one moment Satan will not seek to hinder you.

Divine wisdom is going to be needed in the coming days so we can navigate the peril and dangers of this present world. Rest assuredly, Satan is going to come against each of us in the coming days. His fury and rage will only intensify the closer we get to Christ's Second Advent.

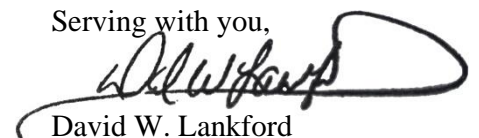
Satan's fury will explode once he is cast out of Heaven and held hostage on planet Earth: *"Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe (great grief) to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath (fierceness), because he knoweth that he hath but a short time (1,260 days, 3½ years)" (Revelation 12:12).*

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