

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE LIFE OF JESUS

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PART 23: SPIRITUAL POSSESSION

REALITY OF THE SPIRIT WORLD

Jesus acknowledged the reality of Satan, evil spirits and demons. **Matthew 12:24-29**

Jesus called Satan the "prince of this world." **John 14:30**

DAYS OF NOAH

It is obvious that evil spirits did not show up when Jesus came to earth as the Messiah. They were active from the time Adam and Eve sinned. Not only were there evil spirits, but fallen angels created bodies for themselves which they used to have sexual relations with human women. **Genesis 6:1-5**

At the time of Noah's flood, these angels were removed from the surface of the earth and put in a special prison. **2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6**

SPIRITUAL WAR

Satan has been able to insert demons into people and possess them since the time of Adam and Eve. A person controlled by a demon (evil spirit) is unable to stop the evil spirit from using his soul and body. **Mark 9:17-29**

Cain was the third person to become demon possessed. **Genesis 4:3-8**

When a Christian is baptized in the Holy Spirit, he is possessed by the Holy Spirit. The difference is that the Holy Spirit does not take control of the Christian and force him to do things against his free will as with the demons. Christians also have the authority to take control of evil spirits and to work in the spirit world. **John 16:13-15; Matthew 10:1, 7-8; Luke 9:1-2; 10:1, 17-21; Mark 16:15-20**

SPIRITUAL POSSESSION

A demon possessed person is activated by an evil spirit.

A Christian activates the Holy Spirit that dwells within him.

For the first time in the history of mankind, God leveled the playing field on the day of Pentecost and now His people can be possessed by the Holy Spirit, while Satan is using unholy spirits to do his possession!

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?

