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THE FATHER, THE  
SON, AND THE  
HOLY GHOST

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## With **Evil** All Around Us How Can We Have Security?

Every night the news is full of killings, rape, suicide, devil worshipping, drugs, alcohol, prison overcrowding, and so much evilness.

### Matthew 6:9-13 says:

9. After this manner therefore pray ye:  
Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
10. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
11. Give us this day our daily bread.
12. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
13. And lead us not into temptation, but **deliver us from evil**: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Each time we pray this prayer we are asking God to deliver us from evil, but reading Ephesians 6:11-18 we are to put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 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 in high places**. Wherefore we are to take up the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

### For centuries people around the world have tried many things to ward off evil spirits.

#### In China

The lion is a special animal to Chinese people. Each important or official building in China is guarded by two guardian lions. They are known as good luck statues used to ward off evil spirits and protect the building.



A Roof in China is designed to ward off evil spirits. Question is, did it work?

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## My Story

I was born with Tourettes Syndrome and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. Over the years it got worse and worse. After many visits to doctor after doctor and a support group we realized there was no real hope offered. I started going to Christian counseling. I prayed a lot, read my Bible and did my counseling homework faithfully.

Finally, over time, I learned I could face it and overcome through God's help. I realized that even though life dealt me this challenge, if I choose to walk in bondage then what I am telling Jesus, is that what He did on the cross for me was not enough. So now I stand on Isaiah 40:31 and I learned to fly on wings of eagles.

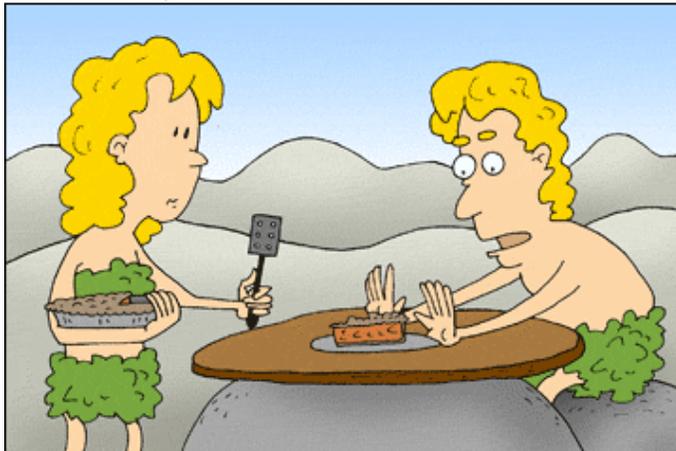
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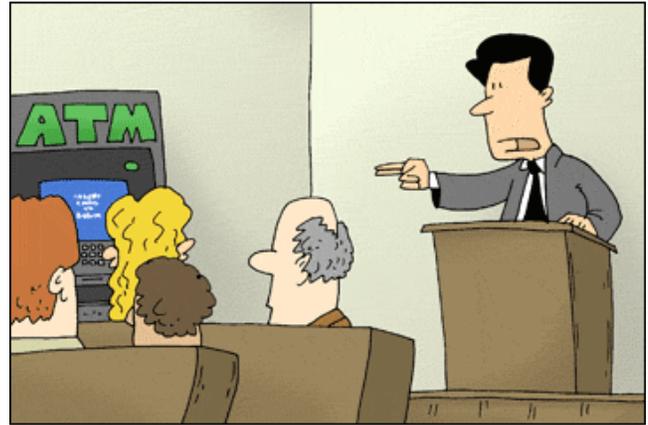
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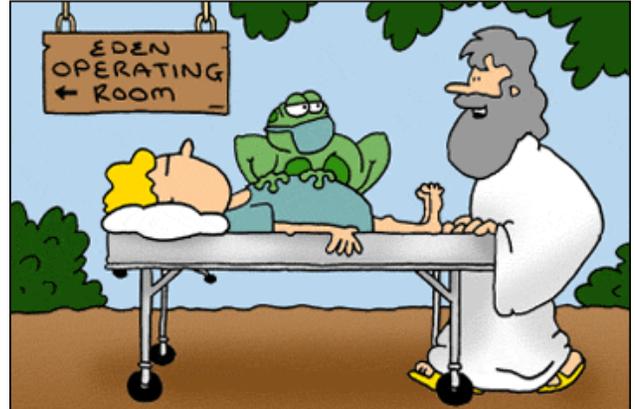
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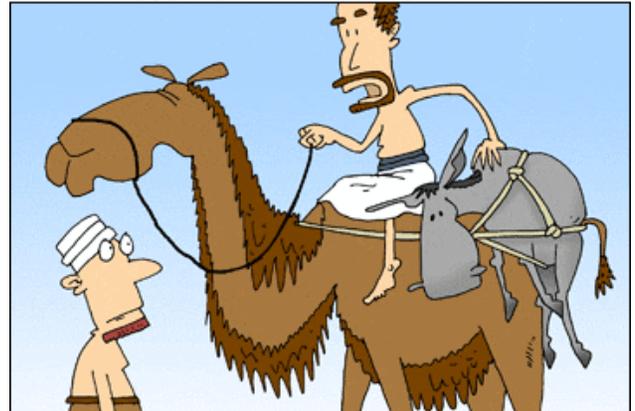
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### The Lion Dance

In Japan, the shishi-mai (or lion dance) is often seen at shrine festivals and at New Year's, when performers visit each home in the neighborhood to cast charms against evil spirits and diseases while receiving offerings. A *shishi-gashira*, or lion's head, is the headdress worn by the performers. The shishi-gashira, moreover, is traditionally placed near a newborn baby boy because the lion's magic is believed to protect the boy from evil spirits and misfortune. Today there are still many skilled craftsmen making shishi-gashira.



### Greeks and Romans Weddings

Ancient Greeks and Romans thought the veil protected the bride from evil spirits. Brides have worn veils ever since.

### Weddings in Denmark

In Denmark, brides and grooms traditionally cross-dressed to confuse evil spirits! Aren't you glad that we live in the good old USA.

### America

It hasn't been that long ago that people through out the United States used St John's Wort, for hundreds of years to ward off evil spirits. Now scientist have found that it is great in treating depression. Some think that depression is a sign of an evil spirit living within someone.

### Iranians leave houses to get rid of "evil spirits" on 13th day of Nawruz

According to a pre-Islamic tradition, on the 13th day of Nawruz, the New Year according to the Iranian solar and lunar calendar, all Iranians have to leave their houses to get rid of evil spirits and troubles in the coming year.

This unusual day, which is the end of the two week New Year celebrations, is called "sizdah be dar," which means "out on the 13th day."

On this day, everyone in Iran takes all the necessary things with them, including food and dishes, and goes to parks, gardens, or the mountains so that their de-

serted houses can be cleansed of evil.

Iranians believe that contact with nature will give them new strength for living fruitful and creative lives.

### African Witchcraft

The African nation sees everything in terms of the spirit world. The spirits are needed for fighting enemies, for defending against other spirits, and to heal the sick. In every experience of life, spirits are invoked to assist in some way. Everything that seemed unusual is explained in terms of the work of spirits.

Many missionaries to Africa have learned that the word of God is the antidote for every evil spell. God is the chief of spirits and is greater than any other spirit, and in particular, against evil spirits. Missionaries have comfort knowing that they have the protection of God, who promised in the Great Commission (Matthew 128: 16-20) that he would be with his followers always, until the church's mission on earth is finished.

Many missionaries have a tremendous sense of the knowledge and power of God, and of God's superiority over evil forces, seen and unseen. They trust in God fully to protect them.

### Egyptians Demons

The Egyptians ascribed certain diseases and various other evils to demons, and believed in the efficacy of magical charms and incantations for banishing or dispelling them. The dead, more particularly, needed to be well fortified with magic in order to be able to accomplish in safety their perilous journey to the underworld.

### For centuries the Catholic Church has been performing exorcisms.

Exorcism is the act of driving out, or warding off, demons, or evil spirits, from persons, places, or things, which are believed to be possessed or infested by them, or are liable to become victims or instruments of their malice; in the name of God, or any of the higher power in which He is subject.

The word, which is not itself biblical, is derived from exorkizo, which is used in the Septuagint. In ethnic religions, and even among the Jews from the time when there is evidence of its being vogue, exorcism as an act of religion is largely replaced by the use of mere magical and superstitious means, to which non-

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Catholic writers at the present day sometimes quite unfairly assimilate Christian exorcism.

The use of protective means against the real, or supposed, molestations of evil spirits naturally follows from the belief in their existence, and is, and always has been, a feature of ethnic religions, savage, and civilized.

There is no instance in the Old Testament of demons being expelled by men but, in Mark 9:37-38 we have an account of a person who was not a disciple of Jesus Christ but, yet was casting out demons in Christ's name, and whose action Christ refused to forbid.

### **Power in the Blood of Christ**

We have it on the authority of early writers who refer to the subject, in the first centuries, not only the clergy, but lay Christians also were able by the power of Christ to deliver demoniacs from people. As is clear from testimonies referred to, no magical or superstitious means were employed, but in those early centuries, as in later times, a simple petition was addressed to the demon in the name of God, and more especially in the name of Christ crucified, was the usual form of exorcism.

Sometimes in addition to words breathing or laying of hands on the subject, or making the sign of a cross is done. St. Justin speaks of demons flying from "the touch and breathing of Christians" as from a flame that burns them.

### **Demonic Molestations**

People subject more or less to the power of the devil were delivered from their evil spirit through exorcism. According to Catholic belief, demons or fallen angels retain their natural power, as intelligent beings, using material objects and directing material forces for their own wicked ends. This power, which is in itself limited, and is subject, of course, to the control of Divine providence, is believed to have been allowed a wider scope for its activity in the consequence of the sin of mankind.

### **Blessings**

The chief things formally used in exorcism blessing are water, salt, oil, and these in turn are used in personal exorcisms, in blessing places, objects, altars, sacred vessels, and church bells connected with public worship. Holy water, with which the faithful

are most familiar, is a mixture of exorcised water and exorcised salt; used within the prayer of blessing.

God has given these material elements a supernatural power of protecting those who use them with faith against all the attacks of the devil. This kind of indirect exorcism, by means of exorcised objects, is an extension of the original idea, used in the Church from the earliest ages.

### **Christians**

Our evil nature, or so called flesh, drags us into sin, but if you have accepted Christ as your Savior, the Spirit of God, that lives with-in you acts by grace, to supernaturally help lead us back to good and to the observance of the moral law.

### **Good and Evil Are In Battle**

A life of faith in Jesus Christ is a life of conflict. Jesus referred to the devil as our enemy and adversary. Satan hates God's people and tries to destroy them.

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He does this by planting counterfeits, false Christians among the true. We should not expect to walk with Christ without a fight.

Satan has a great kingdom of evil and hundreds of people around the world are joining him each year to work his evilness on this world. He came to steal, to kill, and to destroy. Jesus came that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly.

### **Does Satan Desire To Have You?**

Luke 22:31. And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: 32. But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. 33. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death. 34. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.

### **Are We Enemies With God?**

James 4:4. Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. 5. Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

### **Jesus Gave Us Power!**

Matthew 10:1. And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

### **We Are in The Latter Times!**

I Timothy 4:1. Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2. Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; 3. Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. 4. For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: 5. For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

### **God Will Only Put Up With So Much!**

Read Genesis 19

God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah by raining fire and brimstone from heaven. All the people died but

Lot, his wife, and his two daughters.

### **Luke 8:27-35 Jesus and Legion**

27. And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and wore no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs. 28. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not. 29. (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he broke the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.) 30. And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him. 31. And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep. 32. And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them. 33. Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.

34. When they that fed them saw what was done, they fled, and went and told it in the city and in the country. 35. Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

A power, called the spiritual forces of evil, is at work on this world. Just like gravity, you can't see it, but it is all around us. It is being orchestrated by satan and his demons. They are using drugs, filthy music, hate, unforgiveness, hurt, anger, divorce, war, and pain to break us down and destroy us.

It's a daily battle that we all face between good and evil. In order to fight the battle you must be willing to give your heart to Christ. Invite Him into your heart! He will give you the joy, the peace, the satisfaction, that we all are searching for. People of all walks of life are searching for something, but they don't know what. They need Christ!

A: Admit you are a sinner.

Romans 3:23

B: Believe Jesus Christ Died and rose from the dead.

I Corinthians 15:3-6

C: Confess

Romans 10:9



## Love And Compassion Ministries

July 1, 2007

Readers:

I had such an awesome opportunity the other night to meet and share God's Word with a great group of Christian men. These men are sharing Christ with prisoners with-in the local prisons through a ministry called Kairos. They love the Lord and it shows.

This well organized, well trained, inter-denominational team of volunteers, both clergy and laypersons, work together to glorify our Lord. They represent the Christian faith and present a Christian perspective. Kairos volunteers come from all faiths but present only those principles that all share in common.

Kairos is an overwhelmingly volunteer organization, with over twenty thousand volunteers worldwide. They minister to the incarcerated individuals, their families, and those who work with them.

Kairos Torch offers unconditional love and acceptance, encouraging young men and women to share their life journey through participation in a long term mentoring process. The program begins with a weekend retreat inside the prison. Torch team members commit to a weekly mentoring process with the youthful offenders for six months after the weekend.

Kairos Outside is a special weekend retreat designed to support the female loved ones of men who are or have been incarcerated. You may not understand it, but families of the incarcerated "do time" right along with their loved ones that are behind bars. Kairos provides a safe environment with loving people, where women can interact with other women who are in similar situations and learn to form small groups to support and give them strength for the challenges they face.

If you have ever been thinking about volunteering in a Christian ministry, I can highly recommend Kairos as one of the best. Call John Domino at 239-218-3976 or 239-245-7482 for more details and meeting dates.

May God bless you and all the volunteers of Kairos.

In the Presence of our LORD,

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It is a great privilege that we have, as sons and daughters of the KING, to be able to come into HIS presence with our needs, our hurts, and our cares. We know that we can leave them at HIS feet because HE cares for us and will always answer us in our time of need.

Prayer requests are very important to us! We always need people who are caring and willing to personally pray for others needs. As we pray for their physical, moral, and spiritual needs, we must understand that because of JESUS CHRIST'S love for all of us, we are able to do this. CHRIST is the answer to every human's needs.

As members of the Body of CHRIST, we have the privilege and responsibility to pray for our Churches, our missionaries, public officials, other ministries, and each other.

It is so exciting to see prayers being answered. May we always give CHRIST the Glory!