

Group Notes Sunday 9th March 2008

Deliverance Part 1 Mark 7 v 24-30

Please refer to the notes from Sunday's powerpoint summarised below

Group questions

- What was new to you or challenged you?
- How do you respond to this teaching?

Note to leaders – if appropriate talk with people about possible areas of affliction in their lives and then agree a plan. This could be to pray straight away or to fix a time to pray (along with someone else) or agree that you will chat to Colin Butler to agree the best way forward.

It's very important that we play this "low key" without making a bigger deal of this than necessary. I hope you have a really good evening.

P.S. Have you fixed your Easter bun parties yet?

POWERPOINT NOTES

A CHILD'S NEED

FACT 1. EVIL SPIRITS EXIST

FACT 2. PEOPLE CAN HAVE EVIL SPIRITS

How do evil spirits get in?

1. repeated sin
2. inherited
3. trauma
4. occult/curses
5. own words/curses

We're not interested in blame but in freedom

FACT 3. DELIVERANCE IS COMMONPLACE IN NEW TEST'T

Many individuals delivered

Several general references

- 'he drove out many demons' Mk 1.34
- 'Jesus cured many who had diseases, sicknesses and evil spirits' Lk 7.21
- 'women who had been cured of evil spirits and diseases' Lk 8.2
- part of the ministry of the 12, the 72 and the early church

FACT 4. DELIVERANCE IS PART OF BRINGING IN THE KINGDOM

Jesus was anointed to bring in

- Salvation (preach the good news)
- Deliverance (freedom for prisoners)
- Healing (sight for the blind)

Jesus gave the 12, the 72, the early church and us authority to drive out demons

Possible Symptoms of Affliction

- Unconquerable sin
- Unexplained physical symptoms
- Mental instability
- Strange spiritual experiences

Don't jump to conclusions

A MOTHER'S FAITH

- Desperate
- Persistent
- Real
- Rewarded – the demon had gone

SUMMARY FACTS

- 1 Evil spirits exist
- 2 People can have evil spirits
- 3 Deliverance is commonplace in NT
- 4 Deliverance is part of bringing in the kingdom
- 5 Jesus has given us authority to drive out demons