How Jezebel Gains Access (Part 1) – Session 2

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I. God's Warning regarding Idolatry

1. Old Testament

- <u>Jdq 2:1</u> Then the Angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said: "I led you up from Egypt and brought you to the land of which I swore to your fathers; and I said, 'I will never break My covenant with you.
- <u>Jdq 2:2</u> And you shall <u>make no covenant</u> with the inhabitants of this land; you shall tear down their altars.' But you have not obeyed My voice. Why have you done this?
- <u>Jdq 2:3</u> Therefore I also said, 'I will not drive them out before you; but they shall **be thorns in your side**, and their gods shall be a **snare to you**.' "
- <u>Jdq 2:4</u> So it was, when the Angel of the LORD spoke these words to all the children of srael, that the people lifted up their voices and wept.

What is an Altar?

- It is a place of sacrifice
- It is a place of exchange
- o It is a place of engagement with the spirit realm

• God required that they not tolerate Altars to Idols

- o An idol is a substitute for the true God. It is an image created by man
- o The inhabitants of the land worshipped idols
- o The idols that they worshipped were the gods of Jezebel.......Baal and Ashtoreth
- They were engaged in idolatry, witchcraft, divination, child sacrifice, and sexual perversion
- Altars were the place these activities took place and demonic defilement took place
- o The people were in covenant with the Queen of heaven, the Spirit of Jezebel
- This became a snare and a source of distress to them

2. New Testament Idolatry

• Paul's Warning to Corinth

- <u>1Co 10:18</u> Observe Israel after the flesh: Are not those who eat of the sacrifices partaker of the altar?
- <u>1Co 10:19</u> What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything?
- <u>1Co 10:20</u> Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice **they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons**.
- <u>1Co 10:21</u> You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons.
- 1Co 10:22 Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than He?
 - Paul reminds the church that the people of Israel and their journey is an example to learn from
 - o Involvement with idolatry of all forms is involvement with demons
 - To fellowship means to share together, to commune together, become a companion with

o Paul warned believers not to engage or enter agreement with demons

• Jesus Warning to Thyatira

- Rev 2:18 "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write, 'These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass:
- Rev 2:19 "I know your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and as for your works, the last are more than the first.
- Rev 2:20 Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.
- Rev 2:21 And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, and she did not repent.
- Rev 2:22 Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds.
- Rev 2:23 I will kill her children with death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works.
 - Jesus warms the church not to tolerate Jezebel and her activities
 - Jezebel was seducing the church and bringing people into bondage to demons
 - "Seduce"...to cause to wander away, too mislead, to deceive, to entice to sexual sin
 - Jesus warns that those who yield to Jezebel and respond to her seductions commit spiritual adultery (Violate their commitment to Christ)
 - The consequence is "great tribulation", sickness, and destruction

II. Doors of Entrance for Jezebel

Note:

• The Holy Spirit is God. He is Omnipresent

- He can be everywhere at anytime.
- He is able to dwell in believers worldwide and influence and shape their lives Intimately
- His goal is to conform us to the image of Jesus Christ
- He empowers us to serve and represent Jesus Christ to the world

The Queen of Heaven or Spirit of Jezebel is a created being

- It cannot be omnipresent. It can only be in one place at one time
- To control people it must therefore use a kingdom hierarchy of spirits that serve her purposes
- These demonic spirits are linked by spiritual cords that provide power and Communication
- Jezebel must use lower level demons to gain access and influence personally
- One demon opens the door to other demons toe enter and to increase control and bondage
- The ultimate goal is the shape people to become formed to the image of AntiChrist
- o Jezebel empowers people to serve and represent antichrist to the world

Doors of Entry for Jezebel

- These are not just doors of entry, they are the fruit or manifestation of Jezebel,
 of The Queen of Heaven in every culture in the earth.
- o This is a global influence and situation to which people are spiritually blinded
- This influence of control and destruction and lawlessness is becoming increasingly visible

1. Generational Iniquity and Curses

- <u>Exo 20:4</u> "You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth;
- <u>Exo 20:5</u> you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who. hate Me,
- <u>Exo 20:6</u> but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.
- Jezebel spirits that have entered a family line can pass from generation to generation
 - Patterns of iniquity and controlling can be passed on from one generation to another
 - These are passed on by familiar spirits attached to the family and by bitter roots and judgments

• Gideon:

- <u>Jdg 6:25</u> Now it came to pass the same night that the LORD said to him, "Take your father's young bull, the second bull of seven years old, and tear down the altar of Baal that your father has, and cut down the wooden image that is beside it;
- <u>Jdq 6:26</u> and build an altar to the LORD your God on top of this rock in the proper arrangement, and take the second bull and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the image which you shall cut down."
- Gideon was raised up by God to deliver the nation
 - o Gideon means one who cuts down, warrior
 - Before he delivered the nation he was required to overcome generational idolatry in his household
 - o His father had build an altar to Baal and also to Ashtoreth
 - The family and nation was under control of the Queen of heaven, the spirit of Jezebel
 - Jdq 6:5 For they would come up with their livestock and their tents, coming in as numerous as locusts; both they and their camels were without number; and they would enter the land to destroy it.
 - <u>Jdq 6:6</u> So Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites, and the children of Israel cried out to the LORD.

2. Idolatry

God's Warning to Israel

• Exo 23:32 You shall make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

- Exo 23:33 They shall not dwell in your land, lest they make you sin against
 Me. For if you serve their gods, it will surely be a snare to you."
- o "Snare"....a bait that draws and then traps the person

• What is an Idol?

- Idol = Substitute or replacement for Jesus and His reign in our life
 - <u>1Co 10:19</u> What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything?
 - <u>1Co 10:20</u> Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.

Old Testament idols

- Idol...miphletseth...from H6426; idol, horrid thing, horrid image, a terror
- Idol.. Esteb......6089...idol, pain, hurt, sorrow, grief, hardship, offense
- People built natural altars and served physical idols
 - o Physical idols had cords or links to the demons they represented
 - The purpose people sought idols was for provision protection and power to control
 - o The idol became a an altar or place of exchange with demons in the spirit realm
 - o All idolatry brings people under the control of Jezebel, the queen of heaven

• New Testament Idols:

- The focus moves from natural physical idols to the heart of man.
- All idols really are an issue of the heart and affections
 - <u>Col 3:5</u> Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.
 - o Passion.....unnatural and degrading passion and lusts
 - Evil desire.....strong passionate desires, lusting after what is forbidden
 - o Covetousness.....money is the god he seeks and makes the focus of his life
 - o The idols people serve are in the heart.
 - The altar is the heart where people long for provision, power and protection, or control
- Psa 115:3 But our God isin heaven; He does whatever He pleases.
 - <u>Psa 115:4</u> Their idols are silver and gold, **The work of men's hands**.
 - <u>Psa 115:5</u> They have mouths, but they do not speak; **Eyes they have, but they do not see**;
 - <u>Psa 115:6</u> They have ears, but they do not hear; Noses they have, but they **do not smell**
 - <u>Psa 115:7</u> They have hands, but they do not handle; Feet they have, but they **do not walk**; Nor do they mutter through their throat.
 - <u>Psa 115:8</u> Those who make them are like them; So is everyone who trusts in them.

3. Ungodly Control

 <u>1Sa 15:23</u> For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, And stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, He also has rejected you from being king."

Godly Control

- There forms of control of people that are necessary for safety and protection
 Eg. Children, Road Rules, Government,
- o Godly control is for protection and for the benefit of the community

Ungodly Control

- Ungodly control occurs whenever one person imposes their will upon another through manipulation, intimidation or domination of that person
- Controllers pressure others to comply with their will, which they would not do if there was no pressure
- Bitter narcissistic parent
- Forms of control
 Guilt, shame, threats, accusations, blaming, fear, intimidation, domination, gaslighting

• Ungodly control violates free will, and opens the door to Jezebel Spirits

- o It is self-centred, dishonours and rejects the person controlled
- The person controlling is being a channel for the Spirit of Jezebel
 Eg. Religion, family, culture, money, marriage, work place, abuse, shame, pride &
 Image, parental inversion
 - o The person being controlled yields to the control of Jezebel
 - o They become rejected, angry and bitter and rebel
 - <u>Deu 28:41</u> Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.

4. Occult Practices

- <u>Deu 18:9</u> "When you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominations of those nations.
 - <u>Deu 18:10</u> There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer,
 - <u>Deu 18:11</u> or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead
 - <u>Deu 18:12</u> For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD, and because Of these abominations the LORD your God drives them out from before you.
- Involvement in any form of <u>divination</u>, <u>sorcery</u>, <u>magic</u>, calling up the dead, witchcraft directly opens the door to the spirit of Jezebel to bring a person into bondage
 - Involvement in any form of <u>false religion</u> will bring people into bondage to the spirit of Jezebel
 - False worship in any form opens the door to demonisation
 - Freemasonry is a common door for people to come under the control of Jezebel and other spirits

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