



“Pulling Down Strongholds” pt 2 May 8, 2022

Foundation Scripture: **II Corinthians 10:3-5**

I. **The Stronghold of Sickness**

A. **Luke 13:10-17**

1. **Infirmity – Feebleness, frailty, disease, sickness, weakness**

2. Fact: This woman lived with a stronghold in her life for 18 years. It was a spiritual problem (demonic grip) that caused a physical, tormenting disease.

** The church has become complacent in its knowledge and desire for total salvation for a person's spirit, soul, and body. And unfortunately, most people have learned to live with pain (just like the woman), instead of being free from it.*

** He Whom the Son Sets Free is Free Indeed (but the man is 3 parts...spirit, soul and body).*

3. Notice that people gave glory to God for the healing, not the sickness!
4. Every “incurable” disease has a stronghold attached to it (This includes migraines, auto-immune diseases, anxiety, depression, mental disorders, Asthma, Arthritis, Alzheimer's....Did you know that over 30 million Americans suffer from what's considered a rare disease? And ½ of all Americans suffer from at least one chronic disease...that's 150 million people!) There is so much disease, that it has become common among us! (Brainwashed by the enemy).

B. **Witchcraft And Drugs**

1. Witchcraft – Most people only think of the occult, seances, black magic, fortune tellers, etc. But as we learned last week, there is a much more deceptive and sinister darkness. (**Pharmakeia – Medication, Sorcery, Magic**) - **Revelation 18:23** (The Great Deception of Babylon's Pharma)

2. Drug Use (Illegal & Prescription)

Fact: Prescription Drugs are the 3rd most abused drug by people 14 and older, following marijuana and alcohol.

Fact: Most crimes are related to alcohol or drug use of some kind.

3. *The correlation between witchcraft and drugs is the dependency on something other than God. And have you noticed how easy it is for people to just “follow the doctor's orders”? I thought we were supposed to follow God? The point: There is no effort in “popping a pill”. This is dependency on the stranger's voice and following their command....Witchcraft. Faith takes effort, Healing takes effort, Prosperity takes effort.....but your effort (seeking God's voice) with God's power produces your easy miracle! Prescription medicine has an altering affect to the body that is addictive in nature. Guess who looks for a dwelling place through that prescription? (God's people have been practicing witchcraft without knowledge!)*
** God told king Saul in I Samuel 15:23 “Rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft...”*
** King Saul sought out a woman who had a familiar spirit (witchcraft), and lost his life because of it.*

** Question: Is it wrong to go to a doctor? Answer: Not necessarily....whose report...?*

** Question: Is it wrong to take a prescription drug? Answer: It may not be wrong initially, but it carries dangerous consequences. The encouragement: Ask questions, Research, but most of all....seek the voice of God (mention resources/books) Who hath bewitched you...?*