**1-11-2017 Part 6 MANIFESTATIONS IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

 **(IT’S POWER)**

Jesus Christ Himself brought to light the kingdom of God before man in manifestations of His kingdom and power.

**St. Luke11:20-22**

***“But if I cast out demons by the finger of God, surely THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS COME UPON YOU.***

***When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace.***

***But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils.”***

 **I Corinthians 4:20**

***“For THE KINGDOM OF GOD is not in word but in power.”***

**NOTE:** The power of God fills His kingdom to do the work of **redemption**, **restoration** and **reconciliation.**

**THE MANIFESTATIONS IN SATAN’S KINGDOM**

**(IT’S POWER)**

Satan’s kingdom is filled with sin, disease, sickness, and slavery. He uses the power of these and other vices to hold people captive and enslaving them with the desire to destroy their souls. Death and separation are the plans and motives of Satan’s kingdom.

**Mark 1:1-13(7, 9, 10, 12)** NKJV (read)

**NOTE:** This man was demon possessed and bound. Jesus set him free and destroyed the demons that had controlled him. Had Jesus not freed the man he would have lost his life and his soul.

**Matthew 9:32**

***“As they went out, behold, they brought to him a man, mute and demon possessed.”***

 **Matthew 17:14-18(18)** **(the power of faith over a demon)**

***“When they reached the crowd, a man approached and knelt down before Him.***

***Lord, he said, have mercy on my son, because he has seizures and suffers severely. He often falls into the fire and often into the water. I brought him to your disciples, but they couldn’t heal him.***

***Jesus replied, you unbelieving and rebellious generation!***

***How long will I be with you? How long must I put up with you? Bring him here to Me.***

***Then Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him, and from that moment the boy was healed.”***

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**NOTE**: In these verses of Scripture, a boy is diseased and demon possessed. They bring him to His disciples and they could not deliver him. Then Jesus cast out the demon and healed the boy of the disease.

**St. Luke 13:10-17** **(healing a daughter of Abraham)**

***“As He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath,***

 ***a woman was there who had been disabled by a spirit for over 18 years.***

 ***She was bent over and could not straighten up at all.***

***When Jesus saw her, He called out to her,***

 ***Woman, you are free from your disability.***

 ***Then He laid His hands on her, and instantly she was restored and began to glorify God.***

***But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, responded by telling the crowd, “There are six days when work should be done; therefore, come on those days to be healed and not on the Sabbath day.”***

But the Lord answered him and said, Hypocrites! Doesn’t each one of you untie his ox or donkey from the feeding trough on the Sabbath and lead it to water?

Satan has bound this woman a daughter of Abraham, for18 years; shouldn’t she be untied from this bondage on the Sabbath day?

***When He had said these things, all His adversaries were humiliated, but the whole crowd was rejoicing over all the glorious things He was doing.”***

**NOTE:** A woman had a spirit of infirmity that kept her bound for 18 years.

Jesus called her and delivered her from that terrible spirit Satan used to prevent her from having a normal life for18 years.

The kingdom of Satan is filled with sin, sickness, and demon possession. These are some of the ways he uses his power to bind people, steal, kill, and destroy.

**(St. John10:10)**

This is the character of the kingdom of darkness that controls the world system and its subjects.

The Scriptures are clear that the kingdom of darkness headed by Satan has been at work throughout man’s time on this earth. The fall of man gave Satan an opportunity to gain the power of dominion.

Scriptures to consider: Satan at work against God and man.

**Genesis 3:1-15**

**Job 1:6-12; 2:1-8**

**I Chronicles 21:1**

**Zechariah 3:1**

**Matthew 4:1-11**