



EVANGELISM

PART 17 – Proclaiming With Power
Part 2 – Spiritual Warfare
Matthew 10:8





These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' *Heal* the sick, *raise* the dead, *cleanse* lepers, *cast out* demons. You received without paying; give without pay."

MATTHEW 10:5-8

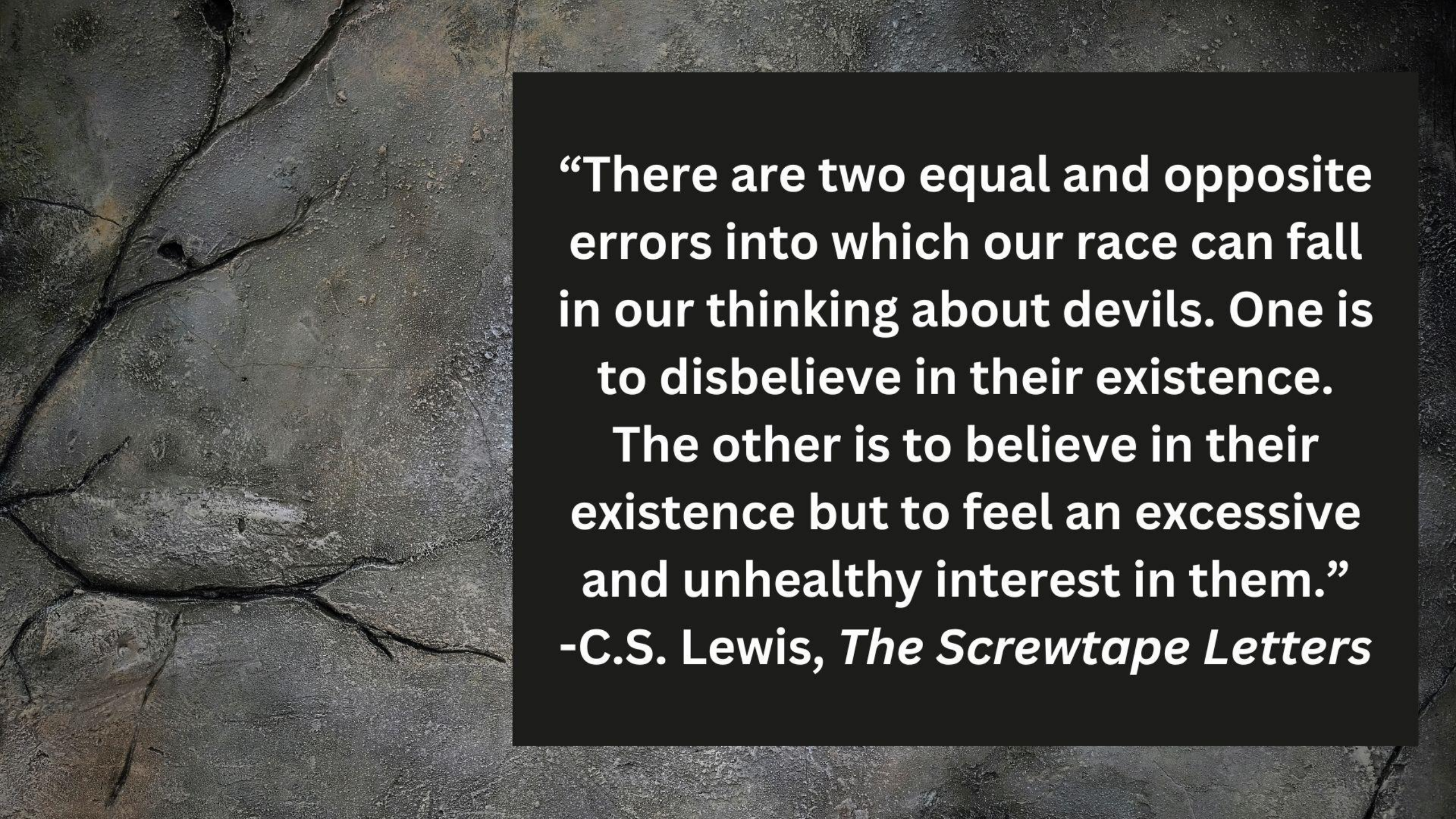


Cast out -
(Gk. ekballō);
to eject,
to drive away,
to expel with
force/violence

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Outline Point 1 of 3:

The Reality of Demonic Activity



“There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall in our thinking about devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence.

The other is to believe in their existence but to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them.”

-C.S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*

Jesus encountered demons throughout ministry...

In Matthew...

- *Temptation of Christ* Mt. 4:1-11
- *Many who were demon possessed* Mt. 8:16
- *Demoniac, 2 people* Mt. 8:28-34
- *Mute spirit* Mt. 9:32-33
- *Blind and mute demon* Mt. 12:22
- *Taught on demonic activity* Mt. 12:43-45
- *Gentile's daughter* Mt. 15:21-28
- *Child the disciples could not help* Mt. 17:14-21

In Luke...

- *Temptation of Christ* Lk. 4:35-47
- *Unclean spirits recognizing Christ* Lk. 4:35-41
- *Mary Magdalene* Lk. 8:2
- *Demoniac* Lk. 8:26-39
- *Boy disciples couldn't help for lack of faith* Lk. 9:37-43

In Mark...

- *Unclean spirit recognizing Christ* Mk. 1:21-27
- *Many demons Jesus would not let speak* Mk. 1:32-34, 39
- *Demoniac* Mk. 5:1-20
- *Gentile's daughter* Mk. 7:24-30
- *Demon who can only come out through prayer* Mk. 9:14-29
- *Mary Magdalene* Mk. 16:9

Luke continued...

- *Mute demon* Lk. 11:14-23
- *Teaching on demonic activity* Lk. 11:24-26
- *Disabling spirit on sabbath* Lk. 13:10-17

In John...

- *Judas demonized* Jn. 13:27

Disciples encountered demons throughout ministry...

In Luke...

- *Demons subject to the disciples* Lk. 10:17-20

In Acts...

- *General healing of unclean spirits* Acts 5:16
- *Philip with Samaritans* Acts 8:7
- *Spirit of divination in Philippi* Acts 16:16-18
- *General casting out in Ephesus* Acts 19:12

Satan has real power...

In Acts...

- *Simon Magus Acts 8:9-11*
- *Bar-Jesus the magician of Cyprus Acts 13:6-12*
- *Seven sons of Sceva in Ephesus Acts 19:13-17*

In 2 Thessalonians...

- *Man of lawlessness 2 Thess. 2:1-12*

New Testament Teaching on Spiritual Warfare...

- *Armor of God* Eph.6:10-18
- *Resist the devil* James 4:7 and 1 Peter 5:8-9
- *Satan and servants disguising themselves* 2 Cor. 11:14-15
- *Deception of demons and evil spirits* 1 Timothy 4:1
- *Spirit of slavery/fear* 2 Tim. 1:7
- *Multiple references to principalities and powers from Paul*
Gal. 4:3 & 9; Eph. 2:2, 6:12; Col. 1:16
- *The book of Revelation's depiction of massive spiritual events in the end times*

Old Testament High Places...

- *Some examples*
 - *Amos 4:13*
 - *Micah 1:3*
 - *1 Kings 3:2-3; 12:31*
 - *1 Samuel 9:12*
 - *Isaiah 16:12*
 - *Leviticus 26:30*
 - *Numbers 33:52*
 - *Deuteronomy 12:2*
 - *Many more*

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Outline Point 2 of 3:

Understanding Demonic Activity



OLD TESTAMENT HEBREW

Heart // Soul // Strength

See Deuteronomy 6:5

NEW TESTAMENT GREEK

Heart // Soul // Mind // Strength

See Mark 13:30





2 CORINTHIANS 4:16

So we do not lose heart. Though our *outer self* is wasting away,
our *inner self* is being renewed day by day.





INNER

2 CORINTHIANS 1:21-22

And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

SEE ALSO EPH. 1:13, 2 COR. 5:5, ROM. 8:9





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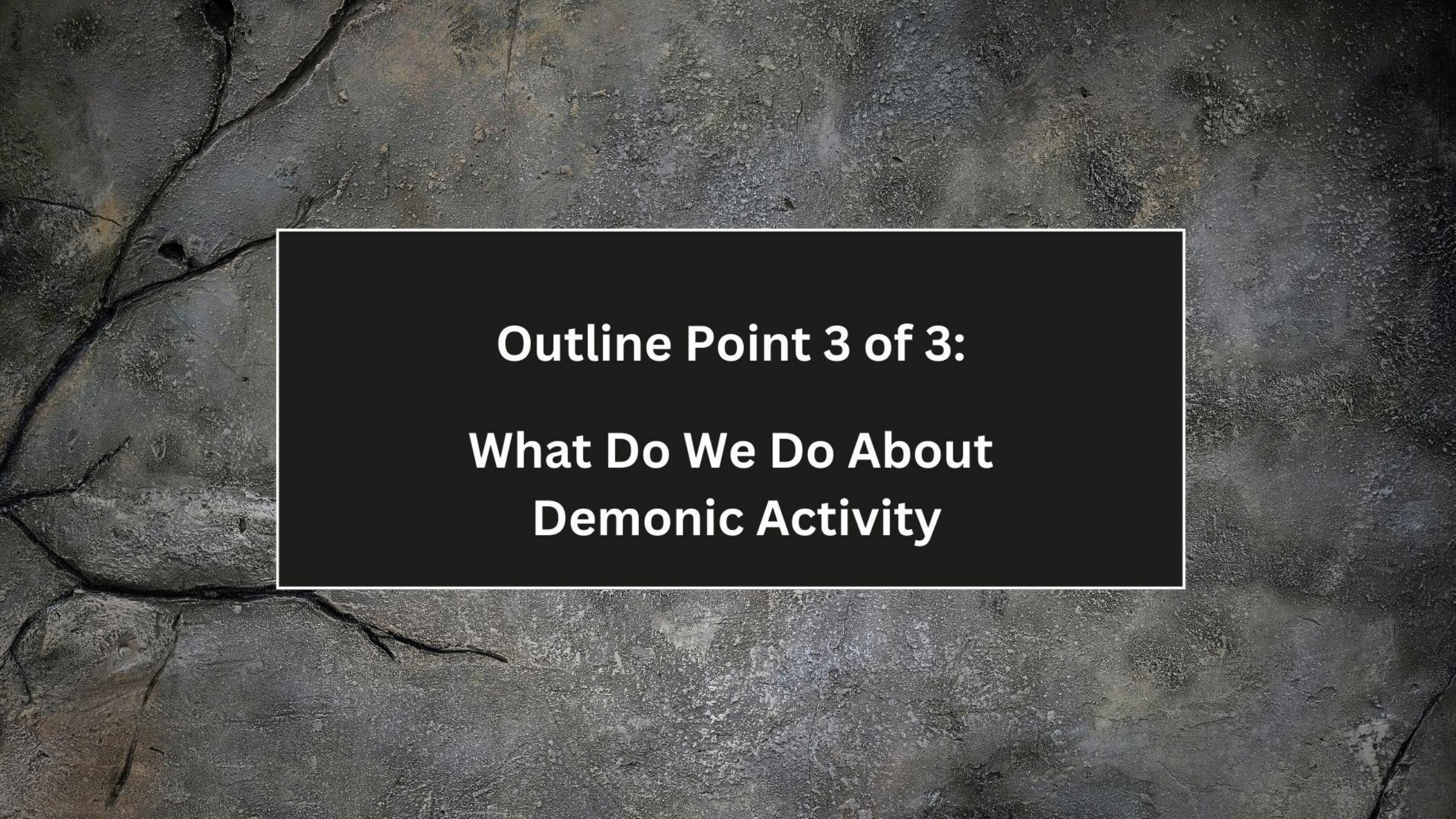
EPHESIANS 4:26-27

Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,
and give no *opportunity* to the devil.

OPPORTUNITY (GK: *TOPOS*) INHABITABLE PLACE,
FOOTHOLD, RIGHT TO ACT



Possession Versus Oppression

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**Outline Point 3 of 3:
What Do We Do About
Demonic Activity**

*Spiritual warfare rests in the AUTHORITY
of Christ
and we act through that primarily in
TRUTH encounters.*



JOHN 8:31-32

“...If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”



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- HABITUAL SINS

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“Freedom from spiritual conflicts and bondage is...a truth encounter. Satan is a deceiver, and he will work undercover at all costs. But the truth of God's Word exposes him and his lie. His demons are like cockroaches that scurry for the shadows when the light comes on. Satan's power is in the lie, and when the lie is exposed by the truth, his plans are foiled.”

- Neil T. Anderson

*Rarely, a believer may have a
POWER encounter, witnessing the
manifestation of a demonic presence in a
non-believer.*

*10 Practical Considerations
When Dealing With a Demonized Person*

1. Speak the truth of the Word of God as much as possible.

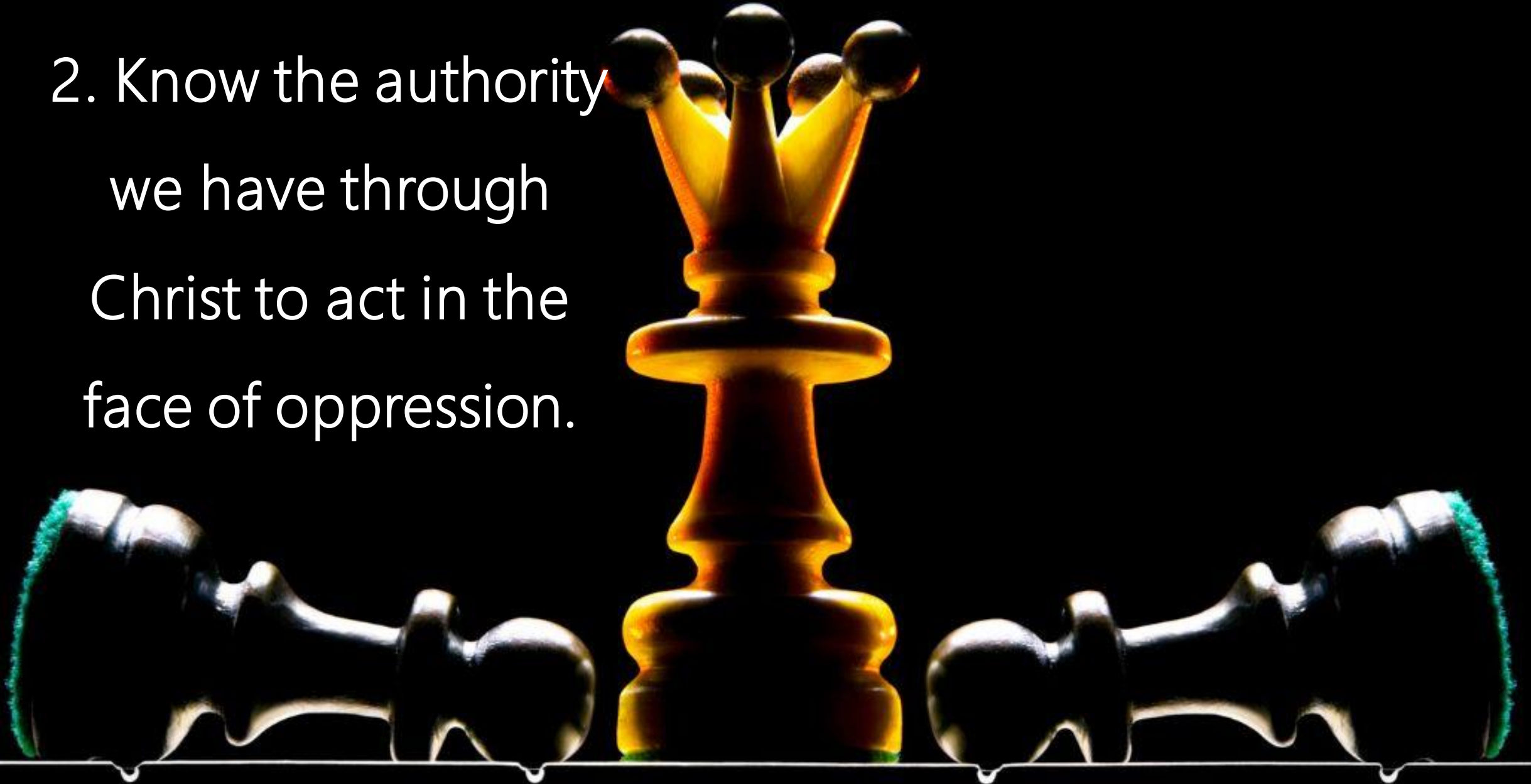
Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

James 4:7-8



2. Know the authority
we have through
Christ to act in the
face of oppression.





3. When we identify demonic oppression, pray and speak into the spiritual forces by name.

Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Luke 8:30-31

4. When encountering demonic oppression and torment,
turn to worship of the One True King.



5. Remain calm and unafraid.





6. What is cast out needs to be replaced by Holy Spirit or things will only get worse.

See Matthew 12:43-45 (spirits returning to house) and Galatians 5:16-17 (walking by the Spirit)

7. Continually grow to
be effective in spiritual
warfare.





8. Do not be enticed by knowledge of demons and the occult. NEVER go looking for the enemy.

See example in Acts 19:13-16

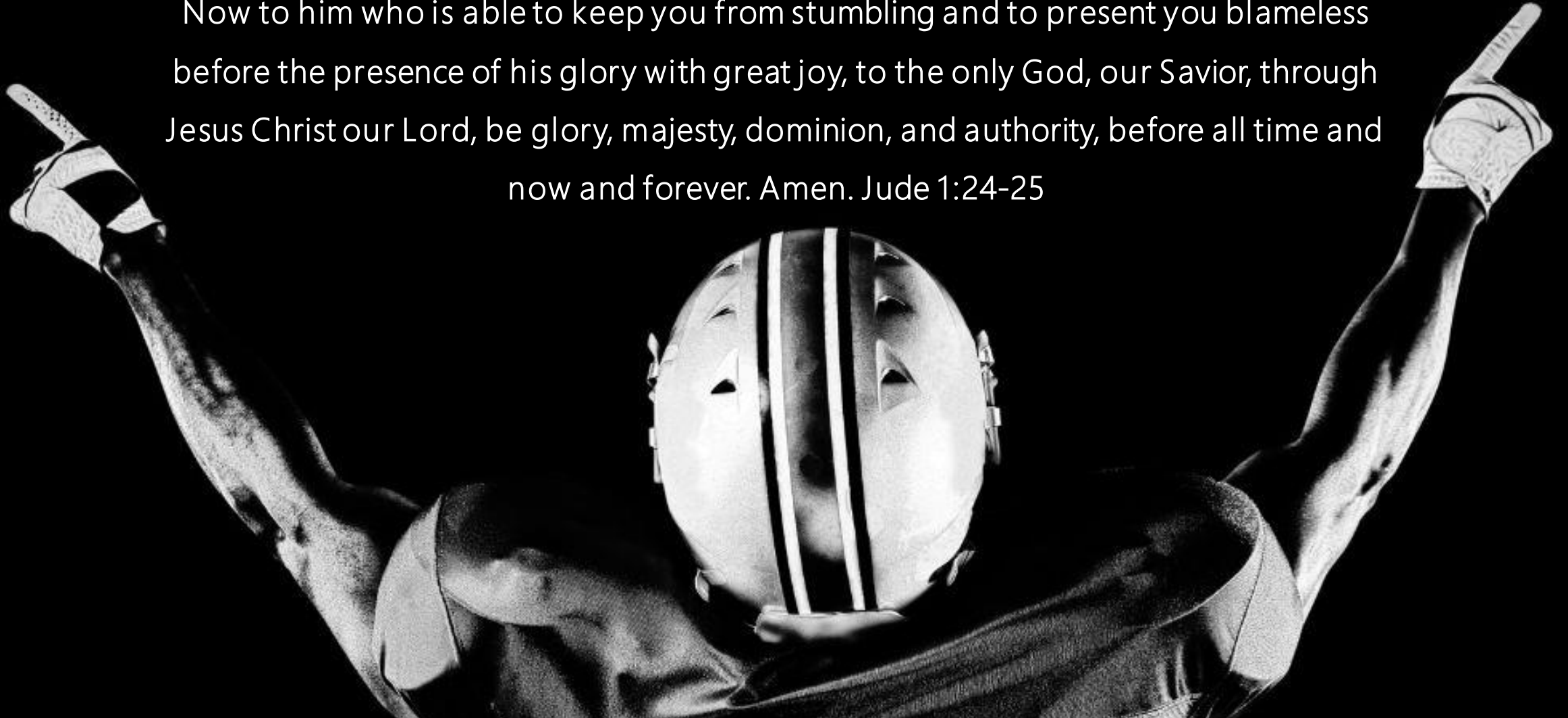
9. Recognize that the enemy knows and fears Jesus. He will give Jesus feigned praise.

See example in Acts 16:16-18



10. Give all glory to God in every victory over the enemy and point people to Jesus.

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 1:24-25



10 Considerations on Demonic Activity...

1. Speak the truth of the Word of God as much as possible.
2. Know the authority we have through Christ to act in the face of oppression.
3. When we identify demonic oppression, pray and speak into the spiritual forces by name.
4. When encountering demonic oppression and torment, turn to worship of the One True King.
5. Remain calm and unafraid.
6. What is cast out needs to be replaced by Holy Spirit or things will only get worse.
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