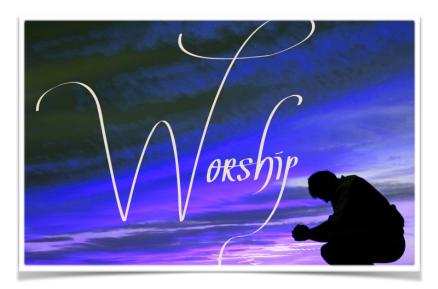
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#### **A New Move**

by: Esther U. Aluoch

Bethesda House of Healing will be relocating soon to Columbus. It was a blessing to embrace the small beginnings that we had in Circleville, with a special thanks to those who partnered with us there with financial and material donations. We saw people healed, delivered and restored by the power of God. Now, we are allowing God to transition us into a new season as we believe God for a new facility to be able to continue to counsel people, and pray for them to receive healing and deliverance. We are trusting God for an even greater impact in this new season. If you would like to partner with us, you can donate online at: www.cthim.org.



## **New Worship Video**

by: Esther Upham Aluoch

With a desire to promote and encourage people in their devotional times, and/or to give churches instrumental music that they can use with their worship services, we have created our first video of instrumental worship with lyrics. Go to the CTHIM Ministry YouTube channel to listen, and look for "Reflections of God's Love". The link is: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhtGAqZwvyo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhtGAqZwvyo</a>



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#### **The Story Grows**

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As time goes on, God continues to move. In our last newsletter, we shared a testimony about Rusty. Now, as the story grows, God has brought Rusty's children back to live with him. Then, we began doing Bible studies again, and his daughter was also attending. She was full of hunger for God, and in a few weeks time, she gave her life to the Lord, and was baptized. Madison just celebrated her 13th birthday, and she is a delight to have in Bible study. We are so grateful for new lives being brought into the kingdom!





### Separating People from Their Flesh

By: Prophet Theodore Aluoch

\*Do not react to the flesh, instead respond in the spirit.

\*Do not speak to the wound, but rebuke the spirit behind the wound.

\*Rebuke the influencing spiritual force behind the words, and not the person speaking the words.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." Our war is not against humans or flesh, but the evil forces that gain access to yielded flesh and influence it to commit sin. Verse 7 says, "Do ye look on things after the outward appearance?" Appearances can deceive. We must perceive in the spirit or we will be deceived.

Matthew 16:15-17 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven." We can see that in this instance Peter is influenced by the Spirit of God to reveal Christ. But in the next verse, the same Peter is being influenced by evil forces to stop Christ from fulfilling his purpose. Mathew 16:22-23 Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This shall never happen to You." But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God's interests, but man's." Realize that Jesus does not say, "Get thee behind me Peter." Peter allowed himself to come under the influence of Satan or he allowed Satan to do his bidding through his mouth. Jesus is rebuking SATAN who is using Peter's mouth. He is not rebuking Peter.

Another Example is John 19:10: "Pilate said to Him, 'You do not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to

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release you, and I have authority to crucify you?" This is not Pilate speaking because we know who spoke like this before to Jesus. It was <u>Satan</u>: he is the one who told Jesus he would give him "all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them," if he would fall down and worship him. In Luke 4:6, Satan asserts, "All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomever I will, I give it."

In verse 11 of John 19, Jesus answered Pilate by saying, "You would have no authority over Me, unless it had been given you from above." Jesus had power and authority over his own life: To give it or to take it. John 10:18 "No one takes [my life] from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father." So, Pilate allowed Satan to use his mouth to plead with Jesus to quit his ministry. In addition, Satan was also working hard through Pilate's mouth to try to stop Jesus from his calling (death on the cross). As we can see, Jesus knows that this is Satan speaking through Pilate, and so he refuses to converse with him further.

Satan will use people to slander, accuse, hurt and offend others without the people being used even knowing it. This is why we must separate flesh from the spirit. How do we do this? Hebrews 4:12 says, "For the Word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." The word of God living in us can discern the thoughts and intents of the heart, revealing whether it be from God or from the devil. The word of God can reveal weather what we are hearing is from God, or the devil. Don't let Satan saddle you like a horse to do his bidding. Next time you get into a fight or argument, do not let your soul lean into darkness or allow Satan to express himself through you because of your lack of self-control. Instead, control your anger by controlling what comes out of your mouth. It is either going to edify or petrify. Next time you are listening to someone criticize or accuse you, be sure you separate them from their flesh. Is it the person speaking, or is it Satan speaking through them? He may be using them to get you to lower your guard and wallow in the mud with them.

Romans 8:5 says, "those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires." Those who live soulish, fleshly or carnal lives based on the five senses will always tend to project that nature through their communication or utterance. The enemy can influence the soul that is not yielded to the spirit of God to serve its purpose. Those yielded to the spirit of God through submitting their soul to the directorship of the Holy Spirit tend to communicate influenced by the life-giving power of the Spirit of God through the deposited living word that dwells in them. Galatians 5:17 says, "For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want."

When we don't yield to the spirit of God through the living word deposited in us, our wisdom, speech or communication will be earthly, natural, demonic, full of jealousy and selfish ambitions. James 3:15-16 "This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing." When we yield to the spirit of God through the living word deposited in us, our wisdom, speech or communication will be pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, and without hypocrisy according to James 3:17.

Next time you get into a fight or argument with someone, remember 2 Corinthians 10:3-8. "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: Our warfare is not waged against humans, but against the echelons of evil in the spirit realm." Do not attempt to deal with spiritual issues by using completely natural means. Discern and be wise.