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The Mystery of the Waters

The waters are mentioned at the beginning of creation. The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters (Gen. 1:2). Darkness was upon the face of the deep. One translation calls it "the roaring deep". The earth was without form (chaotic). The Hebrew phrase for "without form" is *tohu wabohu*.

Tohu wabohu, that unformed chaos, to which are added the darkness, *choshek*, and the watery deep, *tehom*,—all are understood in Job, Psalm and several of the Prophets to have been dominated by entities that are at enmity with God. They are controlled by the "powers" resisting God's power. God represents order, light, life, love, and creation. The chaotic deep represents disorder, darkness, destruction, and death. The bathic sea, the wild ocean waters, is that which is contained by God in the Creation. (R. Bixler)

God gathered the waters together in seas and contained them. He set boundaries and commanded the dry land to appear. The word that most accurately describes this action

is muzzle. God muzzled the rebellious powers in creation. These powers are identified in scripture as Leviathan, Rahab, and the dragon. God's power in creation is used to restrict these rebellious spirits and make the earth habitable for man.

Water itself is not that which is evil, but rather the malevolent spiritual power controlling the seas. Indeed, water in the creation narrative of Genesis 2 is the very basis for fertility. The ocean and the fresh water are contrasted, one misused by a hostile spiritual power and the other provided by a caring God as a life-giving necessity. (R. Bixler)

There are "powers" linked to the waters. We call these marine demons. They can still affect the land when men invite them through "conscious" or "unconscious" pacts and decisions. Coastal areas are vulnerable to these spirits and churches in these areas need to be aware of their activities. God's power is needed today to muzzle them just as God did in the beginning. Those involved in spiritual warfare should not overlook this key component of Satan's kingdom.

***O LORD, how manifold are thy works! In wisdom
hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.
So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things
creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts,
There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou
hast made to play therein. (Psa. 104:24-26)***

***Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and
every thing that moveth therein. (Psa. 69:34)***

The marine kingdom is one of the most varied and spectacular kingdoms created by God. There is an amazing beauty and diversity within this kingdom. This kingdom

represents God's wisdom. The oceans provide numerous benefits. The oceans are the cleaning system for the refuse of the earth. The oceans also regulate seasons and weather patterns. Man was given dominion over the marine kingdom (Gen. 1:26). Satan desires to control the marine kingdom and has a host of spirits under his command that assist him in doing this.

Demons that operate from the waters (oceans, seas, lakes, rivers) are called marine spirits. There is a whole class of demons that operate from water. These spirits represent witchcraft, lust, perversion, murder, death, pride, rebellion, destruction, and greed.

Water is a symbol of life. There can be no life apart from water. It should not be surprising that demons would pervert this truth and use the waters to bring death and destruction. God also uses water to bring judgment as he did upon Pharaoh.

The earth is founded upon the seas, and established upon the floods (Psa. 24:2). The earth is connected to the seas. The seas affect the earth in many ways. Is there a spiritual correlation as well as a natural one? Has the devil devised a plan to capture the earth through the seas?

Why wouldn't the devil devise a plan to capture the heart of cities? How are the water fronts gateways to a city and even a nation. The Mafia in the 1950's devised a plan to rule over the water fronts with violence, financial greed and murder. Who were they influenced by? Who gave them the idea to take over the water fronts? Is it possible that they could have been influenced by water spirits of murder and destruction? (Wayman Thomas)

Spring break has become a popular time for thousands of young people to go to the ocean and its beaches.

Sexual perversion and drunkenness operates at a high level during these times. Are thousands of young people being seduced by marine spirits to come and practice debauchery? Many of these students are being demonized through the ritual of spring break.

Many cities in America are strongholds of perversion, violence, drug addiction, witchcraft and rebellion. Many of these cities are on large bodies of water. They include San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Miami, New Orleans and Chicago. International cities such as Amsterdam, Rio de Janeiro, Istanbul, Cape Town, and Mumbai are examples of cities controlled by marine spirits. These cities are gateway cities that include ports. There is a great degree of spiritual traffic through these gateways. Marine spirits must be challenged and bound if we are to see revival come to these cities.

There has been violence, blood, murder, rape, slavery and thievery within our oceans. Thousands of slaves were thrown overboard through the slave trade. Wealth, including gold and silver, has been transported across the oceans, after lands were plundered. Illegal drugs have been transported across the seas. Marine spirits promote murder and greed. Bloodshed causes defilement. Many waters have been defiled by blood which gives marine spirits strength to operate. There have been many covenants made with spirits connected to the waters (Isa. 28:17-18).

Waterways are gateways to cities and nations. Satan will always try to possess the gates. He will place some of his strongest demons at these gates. Gates control the flow in and out of a region. We are to possess the gates of the enemy. We can command the gates to open for the King of Glory to enter (Psa. 24:7).

Waters and seas represent that which is secret and

hidden. There are many mysteries and secrets hidden under the waters. People are often attracted to bodies of water to perform secret rituals. This is especially true in the realm of witchcraft. Many people go to islands and take cruises to engage in sexual sin and fornication. There is much fornication performed on the waters.

There are many spirits that are represented by sea creatures. It is the nature of these spirits to remain secret and hidden. They are often hard to discern and detect. Many of these spirits have the form of sea serpents, fish, amphibians, crocodiles, crabs, squids, frogs, eels, and other creeping things. There are also spirits that look like half-fish and half-man, mermaids, and other hybrids. This is because these spirits seek to intermingle with men and corrupt society.

We have cast out many mind-binding and mind-controlling spirits that have the form of a squid or an octopus. These spirits have tentacles that wrap around the minds of people hindering them from thinking clearly. These spirits cause much confusion and help blind people from seeing the truth. These are powerful spirits that often require fasting to break.

Spirits of lust and perversion can often take the form of frogs. Leviathan takes the form of a large sea serpent.

... though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them: (Amos 9:3)

There is nothing hidden from the LORD. He discovers the deep things out of darkness (Job 12:22). The dark deep is as light to the LORD. There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves (Job 34:22). Evil cannot hide from God. Marine

spirits and their operations are not hidden from his eyes.

In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea. (Isa. 27:1)

This is not referring to a natural creature. God is not angry with whales. Leviathan is a spiritual entity. He makes the deep to boil like a pot (Job 41:31). He is a king over all the children of pride (Job 41:34). God has promised a day in which the king of pride (leviathan) will be crushed. Leviathan is a proud ruling spirit in the marine kingdom. The marine kingdom and its demons will be judged. This judgment will come through the church.

We are living in the day in which God is exposing this realm of satan's kingdom. Marine spirits are being judged and cast out. Their control over families, cities, and nations will be broken.

Leviathan and Rahab are arrogant sea monsters. They have multitudes of demons that help them in their resistance to the purpose of God. God is against the proud. He has determined to judge these spirits and rebuke them in their pride (Psa. 119:21). We can execute upon them the judgment written (Psa. 149:6-9). Marine spirits hate praise. They hate fasting (self-humbling). Fasting, prayer, and praise are powerful in challenging and defeating marine spirits.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters. (Psa. 29:3)

We can release the voice of the LORD upon the waters. We can prophesy over the waters. We can blow shofars over the waters. We can release praise over the waters.

These are effective ways to break the powers of marine spirits. Marine spirits will flee at God's rebuke and run away at the voice of his thunder (Psa. 104:6-7). Ask the LORD to visit them with thunder (Isa. 29:6). Pray for the LORD to be upon the waters.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves. The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea. (Psa. 93:3-4)

The floods and the waves represent pride and rebellion. God is mightier and higher than the floods and waves. God's kingdom rules over all. God will establish his authority over the secret and hidden marine kingdom. God rules the raging of the sea (Psa. 89:9). The sea was created to praise the LORD, not to be ruled by demons (Psa. 98:7-8). He will root out rebellion from the waters. There is no part of creation that will remain defiled. All the earth will eventually be purified.

He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and the thing that is hid bringeth he forth to light. (Job 28:11)

God bindeth the flood from overflowing. God has set a boundary for the sea. Overflowing floods represent breaking boundaries (rebellion). Marine spirits are proud and rebellious. They seduce and motivate people to sin and engage in acts of rebellion. These spirits like to remain and operate in the dark. God brings the hidden things to light.

And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth. (Rev. 12:15-16)

The dragon releases a flood against the church. The bible has a lot to say about waters and floods. Water was meant to sustain life, but the enemy uses it to release death. Marine spirits release death and destruction. The earth helped the woman. The earth was made to work for us, not against us.

It is important to know that God rules the sea through his power. He rules the floods. Although Satan desires to rule every part of God's creation, God has ultimate authority. In his hand are the deep places of the earth (Psa. 95:4). The sea is his, and he made it (Psa. 95:5). The only right satan has is that which is given to him by man. All demons operating in the waters must submit to the Lordship of Jesus.

He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end... He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud. By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent. (Job 26:10,12-13)

God smiteth through Rahab (the proud) by his understanding. It takes understanding to defeat this class of demons. Leviathan is called a crooked serpent (Isa. 27:1). Divideth means to toss violently or suddenly. God hath compassed the waters with bounds. God shuts up the sea with doors (Job 38:8). This shows God's authority and power over the marine kingdom and marine spirits. God is able to break the power of these arrogant sea monsters.

... Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things. (Eph. 4:9-10)

Jesus filled all things through his descent and ascent. Jesus descended to the lower parts of the earth. Hell is beneath the earth and beneath the seas. Jesus descended into hell that he might fill all things. All realms are now subject to his power and authority. This includes the deep. God's judgments upon satan and his kingdom come through the death and resurrection of Christ.

Babylon the Great sits upon many waters (Rev. 17:1). Babylon is responsible for the blood of the saints and the blood of the martyrs (Rev. 17:6). Marine spirits are responsible for the death of many believers throughout the history of the church. Marine spirits hate true believers and will seek to eliminate them. True believers are the only ones who can thwart and stop their plans.

Revelation records the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters. Whoredom includes idolatry, sexual perversion, and witchcraft. Babylon is the MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH (Rev. 17:5). The waters represent people, multitudes, nations, and tongues. All nations have been affected by marine spirits.

Babylon controls the souls of men (Rev. 18:13). Babylon makes rich those that ship (Rev. 18:19). This refers to commerce. Marine spirits seek to control commerce and trade. There are many souls that are held captive by marine spirits. Through sorcery all the nations are deceived (Rev. 18:23). This shows the connection between Babylon, marine spirits and witchcraft.

God pronounces a drought upon Babylon's waters (Jer. 50:38). Babylon represents idolatry. We can command the waters of Babylon to dry up. Babylon cannot draw strength from the large numbers of marine spirits that support her when the waters are dried up. The waters (marine kingdom)

are dried up and the powers of marine spirits are broken. God will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry (Jer. 51:36).

The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the waves thereof (Jer. 51:42). Tsunamis are another manifestation of God's judgment upon nations and regions that have yielded to marine spirits. God uses the waves to execute his judgments against idolatry and false religion. Judgments can come upon the marine kingdom and people who are in covenant with these spirits.

The book of Genesis has a lot to say about the waters. There are waters above that are separated from the waters below through a firmament called heaven (Gen. 1:6). God divided the waters after and created the heavens on the second day. God gathered the waters below and called them seas on the third day. God commanded the waters to bring forth abundantly. Man was given dominion over the fish of the sea and over the fowl of the air. Man lost his dominion through sin. Satan came into the earth through Adam's sin. The earth and the waters were affected by the fall. God used the waters to bring judgment upon the world through the flood. The first eight chapters in Genesis speak much about the waters.

The waters are mentioned again in Exodus chapters 7, 8, 14, and 15. The waters are mentioned in connection to judgment upon Egypt, Pharaoh and deliverance. Thus waters have a significant place in the first two books of the Bible. Water is mentioned 396 times in the King James Bible. Waters is mentioned 287 times. Satan attempts to control the waters through a large group of demons called marine spirits. He attempts to control cities and nations through this avenue. Many believers and ministers are completely ignorant of this realm of spiritual darkness.

There is nothing hidden from God and his word.

The waters are connected to the underworld. There are large chasms and trenches under the oceans. There are also spiritual entities that rule these regions. God, however, is the LORD of all. He is the Lord of the depths and rules and commands the deep.

Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof. Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering. (Job 26:5-6)

The Shades tremble beneath the earth; the waters and their denizens are afraid (Jerusalem)

Before him the primaeval giants writhe, under the ocean in their prison. (Moffat)

The departed spirits tremble under the waters and their inhabitants. Naked is Sheol before Him and Abaddon has no covering.

This scripture not only shows that Sheol is under the sea, but names one of its inhabitants, Abaddon, who is naked with no covering before the Lord.

The prophet Amos, in describing remote places where a fugitive may hide from God, says:

Though they dig into Sheol... and though they conceal themselves from My sight on the floor of the sea, from there I will command the serpent and it will bite them. (Amos 9:2-3)

For I know that the LORD is great, and that our LORD is above all gods. Whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places. (Psa. 135:5-6)

Gerhard Kittel says in his Theological Dictionary of the

New Testament:

Sheol-Hades signifies the dark (Job 10:21) "realm of the dead" which is set beneath the ocean (26:5), and which consigns indiscriminately (Psa. 89:48) behind its portals ...

Dr. Finis Dake says in reference to Job 26:5-6:

The place of the departed spirits of giants and ordinary wicked men is beneath the oceans and under the earth. Dake bases his conclusion on three translations of this passage:

THE SEPTUAGINT: Are giants going to rise up from beneath the water and the places near its neighborhood?

MOFFAT TRANSLATION: Before him the primeval giants writhe, under the ocean in their prison: the underworld lies open to His eyes.

FENTON TRANSLATION: The Rephaim, themselves, were destroyed. And rest under the seas.

The pit and the underworld are connected to the sea.

They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas. (Ezek. 28:8)

The gates or entrances to Sheol-Hades are under the sea. We have shown in previous chapters that the physical and natural disturbances at these gate entrances come from the spiritual warfare being waged there for the souls of humanity. (The Bible and the Bermuda Triangle)

Marine spirits are connected to Sheol-Hades which lies under the sea. Marine spirits are connected to hell. These spirits are an important and overlooked part of satan's kingdom. That which is hidden under the waters is not hidden from God (Heb. 4:13).

Jonah was swallowed by a great fish and taken to the depths of the sea (Jonah 1:17). He called this place the belly of hell (Jonah 2:2). He went down to the bottoms of the mountains (there are mountains under the sea). God brought Jonah up from the pit (corruption—Jonah 2:6). Jesus used this to illustrate his descent into hell (Matt. 12:40).

God knows what is in the deep. He breaks up the depths through his knowledge (Prov. 3:20). The deepest parts of the earth are the Puerto Rican Trench and the Mariana Trench. The Puerto Rican Trench lies under the Bermuda or Devil's triangle at 27,500 feet and the Mariana Trench lies under the Devil's Sea off the Island of Guam at 36,198 feet. The deep places of the earth are in God's hand (Psa. 95:4). Huge canyons continue out under the ocean at mouths of the Hudson, Delaware, St. Lawrence and Congo rivers. Geographically speaking, the gates to Sheol with the shortest corridors to inner earth would be under the seas, particularly at its greatest depths.

Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? Or hast thou walked in the search of the depth? (Job 38:16)

God searches the depth. We can ask him to search out any wickedness in the depths. God sets a compass upon the face of the depth (Prov. 8:27). The depths have voices and call unto other depths through sea going tornadoes (waterspouts—Psa. 42:7). Things are heard in the deep. The deep hears the voice of God (Isa. 44:27). The waterspout connects the heavens to the deep. The deep utters its voice (Hab. 3:10). There are many wonders in the deep (Psa. 107:24). There are blessings from the deep (Gen. 49:25). The LORD does his pleasure in the deep (Psa. 135:6). The deeps are commanded to praise God (Psa. 148:7). God

created the deep and it is under his dominion.

Those who controlled the seas controlled the world. The Portuguese, the Spanish, and the English all had great fleets and built great empires. The United States and Russia were at one time locked in a battle for supremacy of the seas through nuclear submarines. These nations even named their submarines according to different classes such as "Poseidon" and "Polaris". Satan also has sea patrols named in the Bible. They are Leviathan and Rahab. Rahab has helpers (Job 9:13). These are spiritual entities that work under him. Leviathan and Rahab are proud entities. The first two mentions of Leviathan are found in Job 3:8. Rahab is listed for the first two times in Job 9:13 and Job 26:12. These two rulers are high in satan's kingdom and they are both marine spirits. (The Bible and the Bermuda Triangle)

... the proud helpers (helpers of Rahab) do stoop under him. (Job 9:13)

There is no braving the anger of such a God, when even the Titanic powers obey him. (Knox)

God never goes back on his anger, Rahab's minions still lie at his feet. (Jerusalem)

God will not withdraw His anger; the (proud) helpers of Rahab (arrogant monster of the sea) bow under him. (Amplified)

He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud. (Rahab —Job 26:12).

Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.

Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm. (Psa. 89:9-10)

Rahab is identified with Egypt. Pharaoh was destroyed in the red sea, thereby crushing the evil entity over those waters. Pharaoh and the Egyptians were under the control of marine spirits. God hardened Pharaoh's heart. Marine spirits are very obstinate and proud. It took a supernatural miracle anointing to break the power of Egypt. The Nile turned into blood. This was God's judgment upon the waters that supported Pharaoh and Egypt. Israel was saved through water, and Pharaoh was destroyed in water (Isa. 51:10).

Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself. (Ezek. 29:3).

Pharaoh and Egypt is connected to water and rivers. Pharaoh is a symbol of bondage and control. He was proud and arrogant. Pharaoh and Egypt were controlled by marine spirits. These spirits controlled Pharaoh and Egypt to put Israel in bondage. God's deliverance of Israel came through breaking Rahab's power and drowning Pharaoh in the red sea. We see again the connection between salvation (deliverance) and breaking the power of marine spirits. Great revival and salvation will come to regions that experience deliverance from marine spirits.

And he shall pass through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of the river shall dry up ... (Zech. 10:11)

Why would God pass through the sea in judgment? Why would he smite the waves and dry up the deeps? Is there something in the seas and waves he is angry with? God has promised to smite leviathan in the sea (Isa. 27:1). God is angry with these entities operating from the waters

and he will judge them.

These proud entities must bow to the power of God. We can release God's judgment and anger against them. These scriptures show there are entities that work from water. These marine spirits have operated for generations. Their work is a mystery to many, but the word of God exposes them.

Hurricanes which are spawned in the Bermuda Triangle, are caused by spiritual warfare between the forces of evil and good. One of satan's rulers, Leviathan, is said to make "the depths boil like a pot" and "the sea like a jar of ointment" (that is shaken up and foaming) (Job 41:31).

Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? Was thine anger against the rivers? Was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation? ... Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundest the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck ... Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters. (Hab. 3:8, 13, 15)

God treads upon the waves of the sea. We can tread upon serpents and scorpions. We can also tread upon sea serpents and over all the power of the enemy. We can trample the dragons under foot (Psa. 91:13).

Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the waves of the sea. (Job 9:8)

And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed? (Job 38:11)

Could this be a reference to proud entities being tread

upon and controlled by God?

The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled. (Psalm 77:16).

The deep trembles at God's presence.

For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters. Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness. Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driest up mighty rivers. (Psa. 74:12-15)

Notice that salvation comes as a result of breaking the powers of the marine spirit (leviathan). Many cities are influenced and controlled by marine spirits. When these spirits are challenged, bound, and judged, great salvation will occur. Their main assignment is to keep multitudes from receiving salvation. Many coastal cities are strongholds of crime, drugs, perversion, pride, and rebellion.

Art thou better than populous No, that was situate among the rivers, that had the waters round about it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea? (Nahum 3:8)

Satan attempts to build strongholds in the sea. No was such a city. This is the ancient Egyptian city of Thebes. It was considered impenetrable, but God destroyed it. Tyrus was another stronghold in the sea (Zech. 9:3). Ancient cities were built surrounded by rivers or the sea. This made it difficult to attack them.

Nineveh and Babylon were situated along the Tigris and Euphrates rivers respectively. There are four evil angels

bound in the river Euphrates (Rev. 9:14). Wrath is poured upon the river Euphrates (Rev. 16:12). The Euphrates is the river that supports Babylon. Darius the Mede conquered Babylon by diverting the river and entering through the gates in the river.

The Islands

Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof. (Isa. 42:10)

The islands have a special place in the heart of God. Marine spirits are strong in island nations. This is obvious because islands are surrounded by water. Many ancient islanders worshipped sea gods. The islanders entered into covenants with marine spirits giving these demons legal access to control the islands. Many island chains have strong witchcraft roots that need to be destroyed to see revival. Large island chains such as the West Indies, Indonesia, and the Philippines have strong marine influences.

The islands are commanded to praise (Isa. 42:12). Praise from the islands is a testimony of God's grace and power. God will use the church in the islands to help break leviathan's power. Praise will be a weapon to discomfit and destroy the hold of marine spirits. The new song needs to be released.

God Judges the Waters

And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood. And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus. (Rev. 16:4-5)

And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter. (Rev. 8:10-11)

The Apocalypse (Revelation) reveals God's judgments on the waters. There is an angel of the waters. God has angels that are assigned to the waters. We can ask the Lord to release these angels to pour judgments upon the marine kingdom of darkness. Why does God judge the waters? What evil entities and activities cause judgment to come

upon the waters?

The book of Revelation shows us the advance and final victory of the Kingdom of God. Jesus came to announce and preach the kingdom. This was an announcement of the end for satan and his kingdom. The kingdom has been advancing since Jesus announced it. This kingdom will subdue and judge every realm of satan's kingdom, including the waters.

The two prophets in Revelation have power over the waters to turn them into blood (Rev. 11:6). Moses turned the river into blood. This was a judgment against Egypt and their water gods. The judgment on the waters is a result of idolatry connected to the waters.

Dagon and the Philistines

Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast... (Zeph. 2:5)

How can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath given a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? There hath he appointed it (Jer. 47:7)

And when the men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god. (1 Sam. 5:7)

The Philistines were the perpetual enemies of Israel. They were a coastal people and worshipped Dagon. Dagon was a fish god. The temple of Dagon was in Ashdod. Ashdod means ravager. The Philistines were controlled by marine spirits operating under Dagon.

Israel had many battles with the Philistines. Samson was raised up to deliver Israel from the Philistines. David

had several battles with the Philistines. Goliath and his brothers were giant Philistines. Giants came from the union of fallen angels and women. The earth was destroyed by water once because of these giants. This shows how marine spirits will attempt to corrupt and contaminate men.

The Philistines represent our warfare against marine spirits. Apostles and leaders of churches in areas of water need to understand the threat. We need a Davidic, warfare anointing to defeat these spirits. There are too many leaders who are unaware of the threat. May the Lord give us wisdom to defeat every fish god and sea serpent.

Jezebel of Zidon (Sidon)

And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him. (1 Kings 16:31)

Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? Will ye render me a recompense? And if ye recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompense upon your own head. (Joel 3:4).

Jezebel was the daughter of Ethbaal, the king of the Zidonians. Zidon was a port city of the sea. Zidon is a part of the ancient Phoenician empire. The Phoenicians were a seafaring people. Zidon was a city controlled by marine spirits. Zidon was the firstborn of Canaan (1 Chron. 1:13).

Jezebel brought the worship of Baal into Israel. Jezebel brought whoredom (idolatry) and witchcraft to another level. Jezebel was possessed by marine spirits. Marine spirits promote idolatry (modern day pornography) and

witchcraft. Pornography deals with images (idolatry).

TYRUS (TYRE)

Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the LORD GOD; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God: (Ezek. 28:2)

Ezekiel chapters 27 and 28 pronounce judgment upon Tyrus. Tyrus was a city located on the coast, which drew its strength from the sea. The merchants of Tyrus were known throughout the ancient world. Tyrus had tremendous influence through its wealth and power. Tyrus was an exceedingly proud city because of its riches (Ezek. 28:5).

Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their brodered garments: they shall clothe themselves with trembling; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at every moment, and be astonished at thee ... For thus saith the LORD God; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee; When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou may not be inhabited,... (Ezek. 26:16, 19-20).

Tyrus was a city of merchandise and violence (Ezek. 28:16). Tyrus was filled with iniquity and traffick (Ezek. 28:18). God pronounces a word to Zidon after Tyrus (Ezek. 28:21). These were both coastal cities that were controlled by marine spirits. The king of Tyrus was the anointed

cherub (Ezek. 28:13). This is an obvious reference to Lucifer.

The judgment upon Tyrus would cause the princes of the sea to come down from their thrones. Could this be a reference to marine spirits who have thrones in the sea?

Jesus Comes to the Sea Coast

The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. (Matthew 4:15-16)

This was a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. Jesus came to the region of Zebulon and Naphtali. The people in that region were in great darkness and affliction. Zebulon was to be a haven of ships and to border Zidon (Gen. 49:13). Zebulon was to suck the abundance of the seas and treasures hid in the sand (Deut. 33:19).

The sea was created by God to be a blessing. The land of Zebulon had now come under a curse. This is because the people of God did not obey and eventually went into bondage. This area had become a stronghold of marine spirits. Jesus goes into this stronghold and begins to cast out devils and heal the sick. Jesus rebuked the winds on the sea and came walking on the sea. Jesus demonstrated the

authority of the kingdom of God over the sea and the spirits that attempt to control the sea.

Jesus rebuked the winds and the sea on his way to the country of the Gadarenes (Mark 4:39-5:1). It was here that Jesus delivered the demoniac that was possessed by Legion. The demons entered the swine after leaving the man. The swine then ran down a steep place and were choked in the sea. Why did these demons run into the sea? Were the spirits in this man connected to the sea? Why did Jesus and his disciples encounter a storm on their way to Gadara?

Jesus also ministered in the borders of Tyre and Sidon (Mark 7:24). There he met a Syrophenician woman requesting deliverance for her daughter (Mark 7:26). The woman's daughter was delivered through her faith. The ministry of Christ came into the coastal regions. His ministry was a direct assault on the spirits that controlled these regions. Deliverance ministry is an important part of routing the marine kingdom.

Jeremiah chapter 47 pronounces judgments upon the Philistines, Tyrus and Zidon. These are all areas controlled by marine spirits. The bible utters many judgments against these kingdoms. These kingdoms were enemies of Israel and the purpose of God. They were controlled and motivated by evil spirits. They were kingdoms of pride, greed, rebellion, and witchcraft.

Rivers and Basins

That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up the rivers. (Isa. 44:27)

There are spiritual rivers just as there are natural rivers. There is the river of God that brings blessing, healing, and joy. A river is a flowing body of water. Demonic rivers

cause death and destruction to flow into a city or region. We can command these rivers to dry up and stop the flow of wickedness from coming into a region.

Is there a flow of witchcraft, sin, and perversion coming into a region? Is there a flow of drugs and people that bring wickedness? Look at the natural rivers in a region. Are these rivers being used by marine spirits to release spiritual rivers of uncleanness and wickedness? Is there a spiritual river that corresponds to a natural river? What is flowing in and out of a region?

Rivers feed lakes and seas. Large bodies of water are fed by rivers and river basins. The river flows into a basin. Basins are deeper than rivers. This is also true spiritually. Spiritual rivers will form a spiritual basin. A basin can hold righteousness or wickedness. A basin is a large concentration. Marine spirits will attempt to make a region a spiritual basin of wickedness. God dries up rivers and basins. We command unclean rivers and basins to dry up.

... Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? Or have I no power to deliver? Behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because there is no water, and dieth for thirst. (Isa. 50:2)

What connection is there between redemption, deliverance, and salvation with drying up seas and rivers? Could this be a reference to breaking the power of marine spirits that control and destroy men? Marine spirits draw their strength from the waters. When waters are dried up their power is broken. The bible is a spiritual book and much of the terminology is spiritual. The Holy Spirit will unlock its secrets and mysteries to us.

The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved. (Nahum 2:6)

Ancient rivers had gates. The gates serve to protect the city from invasion. The river was an access point into the city. The Jordan river had to be opened in order to cross over. Rivers provide boundaries and can limit access. We can command the gates to be opened and the palaces dissolved. Emmanuel Kure gave a testimony of how this happened in Nigeria. He was sent to destroy a river shrine. After crossing the river, he commanded the palaces in the river to be dissolved. Kure states, "Those who have dealt with sea demons often mention the queen of the sea, the queen of the coast. The demons are said to have a palace in the sea, command the gate of that river to open, and the palace will dissolve. After you have dissolved the palace in the sea, command the seven heads of leviathan to be broken."

A palace is a castle or citadel. It is a place of safety for the prince or king. It is usually an elevated place of protection. We need to arise and destroy the palaces in the sea and the rivers (Jer. 6:5). We need to command them to be dissolved, and command all the strongholds in the waters to be dissolved.

Speak, and say, Thus saith the LORD GOD, Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of thy rivers, ... and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales ... Behold, therefore I am against thee, and against thy rivers. (Ezek. 29:3-4,10)

Ancient rivers have many ceremonies performed over them by idolaters and witches. These rivers are contaminated. Many rivers have been dedicated to demons. God was against Pharaoh and his rivers. Judgment was released upon the entire fish kingdom.

Pharaoh is called the great dragon that lieth in the

rivers. The Nile river is the longest in the world and one of the most spiritually contaminated. God has promised to judge these strongholds of the marine kingdom.

Flying Fish and Birds that Swim

And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. (Gen. 1:20)

Much spiritual warfare has been done concerning spiritual wickedness that resides in the heavens. Satan is the prince of the power of the air (Eph. 2:2). The marine kingdom has often been ignored. There is a connection between the two realms. The marine kingdom lends strength and support to the heavenly kingdom. Marine spirits are very high ranking in satan's overall kingdom.

Birds fly in the heavens. Some evil spirits are represented by unclean birds that fly. There is a connection between birds and water. The kingdoms of darkness in the heavens are connected to the marine kingdom. The waters and birds are mentioned in the same verse in Genesis. Some birds live in water (stork and heron, both unclean birds—Deut. 14:18). There are flying fish and birds that swim.

Birds depend upon waters to live and migrate. Bird migrations follow river and water courses. Major courses are called wetlands. These are places where birds migrate and reproduce. This natural illustration shows a connection between the heavenly kingdom and the marine kingdom.

Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet...

The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the path of the seas. (Psa.

8:6,8)

Man was created to have dominion over creation. We have authority over both of these realms. Believers need to exercise this authority through prayer. We must cover the waters with prayer. We must engage in spiritual warfare against the branch of satan's kingdom called the marine kingdom.

Prayer Nets

Thus saith the LORD GOD; I will therefore spread out my net over thee with a company of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net. (Ezek. 32:3)

This was the word of the LORD against Pharaoh, king of Egypt. He is called a whale in the seas that troubled the waters (Ezek. 32:3). Nets are used to trap and catch sea creatures. God would use a net to draw him out and destroy him. Prayer acts like a net against marine spirits. The level of prayer will determine the strength of the net. Prayer networks are needed to stop the operation of these spirits. Churches must cast the net over them and stop them from carrying out their destructive plans.

Know that God has overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net. (Job 19:6)

Prayer nets need to be spread over entire regions and cities that are controlled and affected by marine spirits. Pray that these spirits will be overthrown and compassed with God's net. The greater the operation of marine spirits, the greater the net needed. Cities and nations around large bodies of water and rivers need to increase their understanding of marine spirits and spiritual warfare through prayer.

Deliverance from Marine Spirits

Marine spirits are very wicked and God has a special hatred for them. He desires to deliver those who are controlled by these spirits. Water, which is a symbol of life, is turned into death through the operation of these spirits. People under the influence of these spirits feel as if they are drowning in many waters.

There are many scriptures that refer to deliverance from waters, floods, and depths. These scriptures can be used in casting out marine spirits. We can loose people from the powers of the sea and deliver their souls from the depths of the sea. It is essential to release the word of the Lord against these spirits.

People bound by perversion, pride, lust, and witchcraft are often controlled by marine spirits. Sever all ties with the marine kingdom and command the spirits to come out. Release the judgments written against them and release the captives. Break any covenants with the marine kingdom made by ancestors. Break the curses of pride and witchcraft common with marine spirits. Sever all ties with leviathan, rahab, and Babylon. Release the sword of the Lord against them and command all evil waters to dry up.

Fasting is another powerful tool against marine spirits. Marine spirits are strong and some will only be defeated through fasting. Marine spirits are a different kind of demon. There are multitudes of these spirits connected to the waters. They affect people on the land. There are many people possessed by marine spirits. The demon that Jesus referred to concerning fasting would throw the young child into the fire and into the water (Matt. 17:21).

***Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them;
and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.***

Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils. He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters. He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were to strong for me. (Psa. 18:14-17)

Save me, O God; for the waters are come in unto my soul. I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me. (Psa. 69:1-2)

Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them. Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children. (Psa. 144:6-7)

Then the proud waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul: Then the proud waters had gone over our soul. (Psa. 124:4-5)

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD. (Psa. 130:1)

The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves. The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea. (Psa. 93:3-4)

Leviathan, The King of Pride

In the 41st chapter of Job, the Lord appears to Job in a whirling and begins to question him concerning a creature known as *Leviathan*. Although I had read the book of Job numerous times, I had no understanding of who this creature was until I came into the ministry of Deliverance.

I then realized that Leviathan was a spirit represented by the crocodile or a large serpent. In Isaiah, chapter 27, he is called the "crooked serpent", the "piercing serpent", the "dragon" that lieth in the midst of the sea. In Job 41:34, he is called "a king over all the children of pride."

After being in the ministry of deliverance for sometime, we began to see that one of the most difficult spirits to defeat was the *spirit of Pride*. Some people never seem to overcome this spirit and eventually end up falling. We can defeat Pride, but not in our natural strength. Only the Lord can draw him out and destroy him.

The Lord has graciously given us a revelation of Leviathan and his characteristics. We are now able to

identify him, fall out of agreement with him, and receive deliverance. With the help of the Lord, we can bind him and cast him out.

He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride. (Job 41:34)

There are five references to Leviathan in the Word of God. The most extensive reference is found in the book of Job, Chapter 41. The other references include Job 3:8, Psalm 74:14, Psalm 104:25-26 and Isaiah 27:1. Remember, Leviathan is referred to as a king over all the children of pride (Job 41:34). We have encountered this spirit quite often in Deliverance.

Man's Inability to Draw Out and Conquer Leviathan

Or Leviathan, wilt thou find a hook that will draw him to land, a line that will hold his tongue fast. (Job 41:1 Knox Translation)

In the first seven verses of Job, chapter 41, the Lord asks Job fourteen questions concerning Leviathan. These questions reveal man's inability to draw out and conquer him.

The first question implies that there is no hook or line that is able to draw Leviathan out of the deep to land. Not only does Leviathan live in the depths, but he is so strong and powerful as to break any line or hook that man would use to snare him and draw him out. The American Translation calls him "*the crocodile*". The Septuagint calls him "*a dragon*".

The point made to us is that we don't have a line or hook to conquer pride in our lives. Pride is such a strong, deeply rooted spirit that it is impossible to hook him and

draw him out. The beginning of humility is recognizing our limitations and inability, and our dependence upon the Lord. A humble man recognizes his need for the Lord in everything he does.

Canst thou put a hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn? (Job 41:2)

The Septuagint translation says, "*Or canst thou fasten a ring in his snout?*" The snout is the nose are where rings were often fastened in captured animals. This gave man the ability to lead and control the captured animal.

The Berkeley translation says, "*Can you put a rush line through his gills?*" This is the picture of hooking or snagging a fish to bring it to shore.

The Spurrel translation says, "*Or puncture his cheek through with the barb?*" Once a fish's cheek, gills or tongue is punctured with a fish hook, it is difficult for the fish to escape. Though the fish fights, it is difficult to break free.

However, this method will not be successful with Leviathan. You cannot snag and hold him as you do other sea creatures. He is depicted in Scripture as a large sea serpent or sea monster. Man has been successful in conquering even the largest of sea creatures. Even the largest known to man, the whale, has been conquered. Yet, Leviathan cannot be conquered through the skill of men. Pride is an awesome foe that cannot be conquered by natural means.

Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee? (Job 41:3)

This is a picture of a defeated foe pleading or making entreaties to his vanquisher. Often, conquered nations or kings would entreat their conquerors. To entreat means "to

plead with, especially in order to persuade, to negotiate." The enemy once conquered will attempt to speak soft words, or flattering words.

The Taylor translation says "Will he beg you to desist or try to flatter you from your intentions?" The answer in Leviathan's case is, "NO!"

He is a proud and stubborn demon that rarely has to speak soft words. "*The poor useth entreaties; but the rich answereth roughly*" (Proverbs 18:23). The Lamsa translation of this verse reads: "The poor speak humbly but the rich talk of great things."

The rich man, in his pride, answers harshly. A poor man, in his humbled state, pleads and makes supplication. Leviathan represents pride. He will not humble himself and make supplication. Supplication is also a form of prayer. We have found that the spirit of Leviathan hinders prayer. People who have a difficult time praying are often battling Leviathan. Many times people become sleepy when attempting to pray. This is a common manifestation of Leviathan.

Proud people don't sense a need to pray. One of the manifestations of pride is not seeking God (Psalms 10:4). Humble people recognize the need to make supplication. Those who are controlled by Leviathan will have a difficult time making supplication. They have a difficult time asking for help. They often speak harshly to others. The tone of voice is an indication as to whether one is manifesting Pride.

Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever? (Job 41:4)

Leviathan will not enter into covenant. He is an independent and proud spirit. He will never submit and

serve another. He is a king over all the children of pride. Pride hinders people from entering into or walking in covenant. It takes humility to enter into and walk in covenant.

A *covenant* is a mutual agreement between two parties. Marriage is a covenant. It is not just the wife submitting to the husband but the two of them submitting to one another in the fear of God. We have found that Leviathan is the spirit operating in most marriages, causing divorce and separation, Leviathan will not make and keep covenant. It is not surprising that so many of God's people don't understand and operate in covenant relationships. Pride will blind you and hinder you from honoring covenant.

Pride will also blind a person from receiving and walking in the Covenant we have through the blood of Jesus. The Bible is a book of covenants. Our God is a covenant-keeping God. Salvation, healing, deliverance, prosperity, the gifts of the spirit, miracles, signs and wonders are all parts of the New Covenant. It takes humility to receive and walk in the revelation of our Covenant. It is not surprising that many believers and some churches reject parts of the New Covenant.

Some reject healing. Some reject deliverance. Some reject the baptism of the Holy Spirit and His gifts. I am convinced that the spirit of Leviathan has blocked many from walking in the fullness of the Covenant we have through Jesus Christ. There are different types of pride, and one of them is *Religious Pride*.

Religious pride says, "My church (or my denomination) has all the truth." Religious pride says, "It couldn't be God if we don't practice or believe it."

These attitudes are nothing but manifestations of Leviathan.

If a believer or a church has a problem walking in the fullness of the New Covenant, check for Leviathan.

The next question the Lord asks Job concerning Leviathan is, *"Will thou take him for a servant for ever?"* The Moffat translation says, "Will he always be at your service?"

It takes humility to serve others. Pride will prevent you from submitting to and serving another. Pride always wants to be on top and in control. Pride wants everyone to submit to him. It does not surprise me that so many people have a problem submitting and serving. The reason being so many people have a problem with Leviathan. If you have a problem submitting and serving then you have a problem with Leviathan. Jesus is our example of humility. He humbled Himself and became a Servant, even to the extent of washing His disciples' feet.

Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens? (Job 41:5)

Again the answer is, "NO!" Leviathan is not a pet. He cannot be tamed. Pets are animals that have been domesticated. To *domesticate* means to adapt to life in intimate association with and to the advantage of man. The Jerusalem translation says, *"Will you make a pet of him, like a bird, keep him on a lead to assure your march?"* In other words, Leviathan is not a creature to play around with.

Pride cannot be tamed. Pride is destructive and will cause pain in your life and the lives of others. Leviathan will not be taken captive for a pet. He will not be bound and taken into captivity and tamed. Leviathan must be destroyed, and only the Lord can destroy pride in our lives. We cannot draw him out, snare him, make a covenant with

him, play with him, or bind him in our own strength. If we don't allow the Lord to destroy pride in our lives, Leviathan will destroy us!

***Shall the companions make a banquet of him?
shall they part him among the merchants? (Job 41:6)***

The American Standard translation says, "*Will the bands of fishermen make traffic of him?*" Fishing can be a very prosperous business. Much fishing is done for merchandising the catch. Not so with Leviathan. You cannot merchandise or make traffic of him. This is to say, you will not profit from allowing pride to remain and operate in your life. Pride will not profit you, it will only destroy you.

Another purpose of fishing is to get a meal. Not so with Leviathan. You cannot make a banquet of him because you cannot capture him.

Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears? (Job 41:7)

The Amplified says "*Can you fill his skin with harpoons? or his head with fishing spears?*" As previously stated, man has been able to catch and conquer the largest marine animal on earth, the whale.

Whales are captured by using *harpoons*. A harpoon is a barbed spear or javelin used in hunting large fish or whales. Leviathan cannot be harpooned by even the most skilled harpoonsmen.

Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more. (Job 41:8)

This is a key verse in understanding this entire chapter. Other translations of Job 41:8 give us more insight:

Only put your hand on him and see what a fight you will have; you will not do it again. (The Bible in Basic English)

You have only to lay a finger on him never to forget the struggle or risk it again. (The Jerusalem Bible)

Just lay a hand on him!—just once—you will not forget the fray. (Moffat Translation)

The greatest battle you will ever fight is against Pride. Leviathan is an awesome foe. Don't underestimate his strength and power. Once you enter into battle with this spirit, you *will* remember the struggle. The Lord is giving us a picture of pride and showing us our inability to do battle with him. How desperately we need to depend upon the Lord. We are too weak to fight the enemy without the Lord's help. We must submit and humble ourselves under the Lord to experience victory.

Another way to look at this verse is: "*Never get into strife or contention with a proud person.*" Pride will cause you to argue, fight, and be contentious. There is no rest if you find yourself in battle with someone controlled by Leviathan. Contentious and argumentative people are controlled by Leviathan.

Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down even at the sight of him? (Job 41:9)

This verse shows us the futility of trying to defeat and master pride in our own strength. Again, the emphasis is man's inability to draw out and conquer Leviathan. Once man recognizes his own inability, it will force him to humble himself and seek the help of the Lord. Jesus is the only hope we have in defeating Leviathan.

The Berkeley translation says, "The man who hopes to master him will be disillusioned." The Taylor translation says, "No, it's useless to try to capture him." The Basic English translation says, "Truly, the hope of his attacker is false..."

Man's hope of defeating Leviathan alone is a false hope. Our only hope is in the Lord. You cannot master pride in your own strength. You cannot capture him with your own ability. You cannot attack him with canal weapons.

Rousing Leviathan

None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me? (Job 41:10)

The Jerusalem translation says, "When roused, he grows ferocious, no one can face him in a fight." To *rouse* means to awaken or stir up. Job 3:8 talks about rousing Leviathan: *"Let those curse it who curse the day, who are skilled to rouse up Leviathan"* (The Revised Standard Version). This verse equates those skilled enough to rouse Leviathan with those who are able to curse the day. The New English Bible says, *"Cursed be it by those who magic binds even the monster of the deep, who are ready to tame Leviathan himself with spells."*

If you compare this verse with Job 41:10 (*"No one is fool-hardy enough to stir him up..."* [Berkeley Version]), it implies that even magicians, with all their charms and spells, would not dare to stir up and rouse Leviathan. Even those skilled in the wisdom of the world—magic, spells, and incantations—would not stir up Leviathan.

The Lord then asks the question: *"Who then can stand before Me?"* What He's saying is if man cannot stir up and

defeat Leviathan, he definitely cannot array himself against the Lord for He is the only one who can humble Leviathan.

The Berkeley translation says: *"Who then is he who can stand before Me?"* Pride will cause a person to stand up against the Lord. This was Pharaoh's downfall. Pharaoh's pride caused him to harden his heart and stand against the Lord.

In Ezekiel 29:3 he is called *"the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers"*. The New English Bible calls him a *"great monster, lurking in the stream of the Nile."* Ezekiel prophesies against Pharaoh and Egypt. *"But I will put hooks in thy jaws"* (Ezekiel 29:4). God is able to put hooks in his mouth and pull him out of his dwelling place.

What man cannot do in his own strength, the Lord can do in defeating and crushing Leviathan. Leviathan cannot stand in His presence. God will crush pride.

Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.

Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness. (Psalm 74:13-14)

This is a reference to the Lord destroying Pharaoh in the Red Sea. The *head* represents authority. The head of the serpent is his most vulnerable part. In destroying a serpent you always go for the head. The serpent's head was bruised by the Seed of the woman, His name is Jesus.

The humility of Jesus (His submission to the Father and His death on the cross) is our only victory over Leviathan. It is the only way to crush his head. The Lord resists the proud. He will crush anyone who is proud. The Lord will not allow pride to resist and stand against Him and His purposes.

The Harrison translation of Psalm 74:14 says, *"You crushed the power of Leviathan."* The Lord will crush pride's power and influence in our lives.

***Who hath prevented me, that I should repay him?
whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine. (Job
41:11)***

God is Almighty and Self-sufficient. Everyone and everything bows to Him, and He bows to no one. He owes no one anything, and everything belongs to Him. The Knox translation says, *"nor can any deserve my thanks by lending me the aid I lacked; nothing on earth but is at my disposal."*

No one else can make this claim. No one else can exalt themselves to this position. Pride is self-exaltation. Those who exalt themselves are victims of Leviathan's control. They are in rebellion and are trying to usurp God's position. This was the sin of Lucifer, and the reason for his fall. When we exalt ourselves, we are in direct opposition to God. We are setting ourselves in array against God. This is what Leviathan causes people to do.

Pride, arrogance, and haughtiness are all characteristics of Leviathan. Self-exaltation, hardness of heart, and rebellion are also manifestations of Leviathan.

***I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his
comely proportion. (Job 41:12)***

To conceal means to hide. The Lord is giving us a revelation concerning Leviathan. He is exposing his parts to us. The Berkeley translation says, *"I will not be silent concerning his limbs, his mighty strength, and his artistic portions."* The next verses describe the characteristics of pride. We need to know them so we can identify pride in our own lives. These verses identify his strength. We can

then better understand why he is so strong and invincible to attack.

Who can discover the face of his garments? or who can come to him with his double bridle? (Job 41:13)

The Berkeley translation says, "*Who has ever stripped off his thick coat of mail, or pierced his impenetrable scales?*" The American Standard says "*who can strip off his outer garment? Who shall come within his jaws?*" This verse speaks of two parts of Leviathan: 1) his outer coat of mail, and 2) his powerful jaws.

His thick coat of skin is referred to as "mail". Mail is armor made of metal links of plates. Armor is for defensive purposes. Jesus stated that a stronger one must come upon the strongman, overcome him, and take away his armor in which he trusts (Luke 11:22). Leviathan is a strongman whose armor must be stripped.

The Lord asks, "*Who can strip off his armor?*" Jesus says only One Who is stronger.

Who is stronger than Leviathan? Since we are not, our only hope is *in the Lord Jesus*.

Leviathan also has strong jaws. In some translations, he is referred to as "the crocodile". Crocodiles are known for their teeth and strong jaws. Strong jaws produce a strong grip.

And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth. (Job 29:17)

Breaking the jaws of the wicked is for the purpose of releasing the victim from the enemy's grip. The Lord asks, "Who can enter into Leviathan's jaws?"

The answer is: Only the Lord.

The Lord can enter in to break his jaws and release his victim. We can enter in with the Lord, through deliverance, to break Leviathan's jaws and set the captives free.

Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about (Job 41:14)

The Jerusalem translation says, "*Terror dwells in those rows of teeth!*" Teeth give the ability to grip. Jaws give the strength to grip. Leviathan's grip is strong because of his jaws and teeth. There are references in the Word of God speaking of the Lord breaking the teeth of the wicked.

Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou has broken the teeth of the ungodly. (Psalm 3:7)

Here is a cry for deliverance. When the teeth of the wicked are broken, the result is *Deliverance*.

My God, break their cruel fangs; Lord, shatter their jaws, strong as the jaws of lions. (Psalm 58:6 Knox translation)

The *cry for deliverance* includes a prayer to shatter the enemy's jaws and teeth. The spirit of Pride will not be able to hold its victims once their cry is heard and answered.

Stripping Leviathan's Scales

His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal. (Job 41:15)

The Jerusalem translation says, *"His back is like shields of cast metal, scale pressing on scale."* Leviathan's pride is in his scales. This spirit is proud of his ability to withstand attack.

Pride is able to shield himself with other spirits. The spirit of Leviathan will use other spirits as shields in order to protect himself from attack. These *shield demons* must be dealt with first before an attack on Leviathan can be successful.

Some people will not receive deliverance from Leviathan because his kingdom is so often protected by his scales. Rejection, lust, hurt, insecurity, shame, fear, self-righteousness and religious spirits are all demons usually encountered in deliverance which give a person "reasons" to hold on to pride. The following is a testimony from

Frank Hammond's, January 1993, *Children's Bread Newsletter*, in dealing with Leviathan:

"One day while involved in a ground level warfare, we encountered a very obstinate demon. The Holy Spirit revealed him to us as "Leviathan". Job, chapter forty, describes Leviathan as an awesome monster with scales that cannot be penetrated by any earthly weapon. The scales of the Leviathan we faced that day were made up of the layers of demons holding a particular person in bondage.

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal," so we had power over Leviathan. The battle plan was to strip away Leviathan's scales (the individual demons) one by one until the strong man Leviathan was exposed and vulnerable. This illustrates how by casting out weaker spirits we can gain the victory over the stronger ones."

Leviathan's strength can only be destroyed as we strip away the demons that shield him. He is proud of his ability to protect himself with his scales.

One is so near to another, that no air can come between them. (Job 41:16)

Air represents the *spirit*. The word for spirit is the Hebrew word *ruwach*, and the Greek word *pneuma* meaning wind, air, or breath.

Breath is essential for life. Leviathan's scales are so tightly joined that no air can flow. Pride is a spirit that will block a person from flowing in the spirit. People who have a hard time flowing in the gifts of the Spirit are often battling with the spirit of Leviathan.

Leviathan is a ruling spirit over many religious groups who reject the baptism of the Holy Spirit and His gifts. *Religious pride* is a spirit that tells us, "You have it all. You don't need anything else. Your denomination is right, and

everyone else is wrong."

***They are joined one to another, they stick together,
that they cannot be sundered. (Job 41:17)***

Leviathan's scales represent groups of demons that link together to protect him. He is a ruling spirit that has numerous demons under his command. Remember, he is a king over all the children of pride. The Knox translation says, "*so well joined that nothing will part them.*" Demons link up and join themselves together for the single purpose of keeping a person bound.

Demons draw strength from each other by linking together. Demons will work in any convenient system to bind an individual by creating not only a chain, but also *demonic networks*. They resist separation and join themselves tightly together to hold their victims in bondage.

The Berkeley translation says, "*They clasp one another, joined so closely that they cannot be separated.*" Only the Lord can separate and divide them. We have the power in the name of Jesus, and the power of the Holy Ghost, to separate and cast out Leviathan's shield demons to then be able to attack him.

Leviathan, A Fire Breathing Dragon?

***By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are
like the eyelids of the morning. (Job 41:18)***

The Knox translation says, "*Let him but sneeze, the fire flashes out: let him open his eyes, it is like the glimmer of dawn.*" This is the picture of a fire breathing dragon!

We have no knowledge of such a creature in the natural. This is because Job 41 is not referring to a natural creature.

The Lord is exposing Leviathan, king of pride. There are many stories in ancient lore concerning fire breathing dragons. Mythology refers to this creature. I believe these myths and stories are representative of this spiritual being, Leviathan.

The ancients had contact with the spirit realm and often portrayed what they knew through their literature and folklore. You may say, "Pastor Eckhardt, that's ridiculous! I don't believe it!" But I didn't believe it either until I encountered Leviathan in deliverance and studied the Word of God.

Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out. (Job 41:19)

The American Baptist translation says, *"From his mouth go flames, and sparks of fire escape."*

A dragon was a legendary monster in the folklore of many lands. It was often described as having a winged, snake-like body armed with strong claws and a barbed tail, and spouting fire from its nostrils (New Standard Encyclopedia).

In some regions, and particularly in the Orient, the dragon was regarded as well-disposed toward mankind.

Another important reference to Leviathan and fire can be found when Apostle James refers to the tongue as a little member that boasteth great things (James 3:5).

This is an obvious reference to pride manifesting through the tongue. James then goes on to say *"how great a matter a little fire kindleth."* The tongue sets on fire the course of nature (James 3:6). Leviathan can manifest through the tongue in boasting, lying and cursing.

For the sin of their mouth and the words of their

lips let them even be taken in their PRIDE: and for cursing and lying which they speak. (Psalm 59:12)

One of the sins of pride is cursing and lying. Boasting is another manifestation of pride. To boast means to puff oneself up in speech, to speak vaingloriously.

Arguing and disputing is another manifestation of pride (1 Timothy 6:4). James said, "*the tongue can no man tame*" (James 3:8). This could be due to Leviathan's influence, for he cannot be tamed. We need a work of grace in our hearts and lips to overcome pride's manifestations.

Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron. (Job 41:20)

A "seething pot" is a boiling pot. To seethe means to churn or foam as if boiling. It also means to be agitated. To *agitate* means to disturb. Yet another definition is to execute and trouble in mind or feelings. I believe this is a reference to *anger*.

Anger is a manifestation of pride. It is also a reference to stirring up strife. Proverbs 28:25 says: "*He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife.*" The New English Bible translates this verse: "*A self-important man provokes quarrels.*" Those who are easily given to strife, anger and quarrels are controlled by Leviathan.

His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth. (Job 41:21)

Breath represents spirit. Evil spirits can manifest through the tongue. James said, a little member can kindle a great fire. Pride in our heart will manifest through the tongue.

From the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The breath of Leviathan kindles a fire.

Fire spreads and destroys. It is one of the most destructive elements known to man. People controlled by Leviathan will do much damage through their mouths. Instead of kindling coals with our tongues, we need the coals from the Heavenly altar to purge our lips.

Stubbornness and Hardness of Heart

In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him. (Job 41:22)

Leviathan's strength is in his neck. According to Psalm 18:40, the Lord gives us the necks of our enemies. Joshua and Israel demonstrated their enemies' defeat by putting their feet on the necks of the kings of Canaan (Joshua 10:24).

A *strong neck* refers to being stubborn and stiff-necked. *Stubbornness* and *rebellion* are two more manifestations of pride. Stubbornness is the refusal to change. Many leaders and churches refuse to change when a new flow of the Spirit is being released upon the body of Christ. There is a resistance to change which is nothing but a manifestation of Leviathan. According to 1 Samuel 15:23, "*rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.*"

Stubbornness will cause a man to reject the word of the

Lord. This was the sin of Saul. Many reject present truth being spoken today because of stubbornness. Change is a part of life. You cannot grow without change. We must be flexible in order to change with God. There are always new things being birthed and released in the Kingdom.

Israel was often referred to as a *"stiff-necked people"* (Exodus 33:3). Stephen called those who resist the Holy Ghost *"stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart"*. *"For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck"* (Deuteronomy 31:27). The Moffat translation says, *"your defiant temper and your stubborn spirit"*. Stubbornness is refusing to change. It is a refusal to repent and turn from a crooked way.

"Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck" (Psalm 75:5). To lift up the horn means to boast, or to flaunt power. It means to be arrogant and irreverent. It means to defy God (defiance). This is associated with a stiff neck.

But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction. (Jeremiah 17:23)

Refusing to hear, anti-submissiveness, and unteachableness are all tied in with being stiff-necked. These are all manifestations of pride and Leviathan.

The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved. (Job 41:23)

The Knox translation says, *"First-set are the folds of his flesh, unyielding though a thunderbolt should strike them."*

Another characteristic of this spirit Leviathan is being *unyielding and unbending*. To *yield* means to submit by giving away before force, argument, persuasion, or entreaty.

It means to relinquish one's rights. People who are "set in their ways" (unbending and unyielding) are being controlled by Leviathan, who refused to yield.

Hardness of Heart

His heart is as firm as a stone: yea, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone. (Job 41:24)

Next, the Lord shows us Leviathan's heart. It is hard as a rock. This is a reference to *hardness of heart*. Hardness of heart causes divorce and marital problems (Matthew 19:8); unbelief and doubt (Mark 16:14); lack of spiritual perception, spiritual dullness, lack of wisdom and understanding, forgetfulness (Mark 8:17-18); lack of repentance and godly sorrow (Romans 2:5); backsliding and departing from God (Hebrews 3:12). These are all results of Leviathan's influence.

Many believers suffer from the condition of *hardness of heart* just as the disciples did. Pharaoh, who is also referred to as "the great dragon", hardened his heart and was destroyed in the Red Sea. Hardness of heart prevents us from walking in the fullness of God's blessings.

Leviathan hinders spiritual growth. Sleepiness while trying to pray, study the Word, or even while sitting in a service are manifestations of the spirit. People who have problems praying or understanding the Word of God are often controlled by Leviathan. An inability to remember Scriptures or recall the Word have also been traced to Leviathan. Arguing and fighting in marriages, causing separation and divorce, are also the work of Leviathan.

When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves. (Job 41:25)

The Berkeley translation of this verse says: *"When he raises up himself, the mighty are afraid: beside themselves with panic."* This is what happens when Leviathan manifests. Once he is stirred up, even the mighty are afraid. Again this shows us man's inability to stand before Leviathan. It is the picture of a large sea monster coming from the depths to surface.

However, God is able to humble and destroy Leviathan when he raises himself. This is a picture of *self-exaltation* and pride. People who manifest Leviathan spirits can be like monsters to deal with. It is as if you are dealing with Godzilla himself!

***(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal....)
(2 Corinthians 10:4)***

***The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold;
the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon. (Job 41:26)***

The next four verses all deal with the inability of natural weapons to defeat Leviathan. *We cannot defeat pride with our natural abilities.* Though man has been able to capture even the largest marine animals with natural weapons, not so with Leviathan. *Paul says the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.*

Pride is a stronghold that can only be pulled down with *spiritual* weapons. Instead of a natural sword we have *the sword of the spirit* which is the word of God. The spear, the dart, or javelin are useless because of his thick coat of mail. He has shields to protect him and is therefore not vulnerable to attack. His armour cannot be pierced with carnal weapons.

He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood. (Job 41:27)

The Moffat translation says, *"He treats a harpoon like a straw."* Whales, the largest creatures of the sea known to man, have been captured with harpoons.

A harpoon has always been an effective weapon against sea creatures. Iron and brass weapons were the strongest weapons of Job's day. And yet, even the strongest weapons of man are useless against him.

The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble. (Job 41:28)

Although natural arrows cannot make him flee, we can loose the *arrow of deliverance* against him (2 Kings 13:17). We can also ask God to shoot arrows at our spiritual enemies (Psalm 64:7). God's arrows are sharp in the hearts of the King's enemies (Psalm 45:5).

Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear. (Job 41:29)

We have encountered Leviathan in deliverance many times and have witnessed this spirit actually laughing at the workers. Leviathan is so confident of his amour and strength that he mocks those that would dare attack him. *Mockery* can also be a manifestation of Leviathan.

Pride's Trail

Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire. (Job 41:30)

The Amplified says his underparts are like *"sharp pieces of broken pottery."* Even Leviathan's *underbelly* is sharp. The underbelly is one of the most vulnerable areas found in reptiles. *"He prints a threshing-sledge upon the mud."* Leviathan leaves a distinct trail when upon land. Pride will leave a trail wherever it goes.

This trail includes hurt, pain, broken marriages, backsliding, shame and destruction. *"Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."* Destruction follows the trail of pride.

He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment (Job 41:31)

Leviathan lives in the depths. Pride is so deep in man it is difficult to draw him out because he lives so deep within us. Boiling represents restlessness. Humility brings nest. Pride causes restlessness.

He maketh a path to shine after him: one would think the deep to be hoary. (Job 41:32)

The Taylor translation says, *"He leaves a slimy wake of froth behind him. One would think the sea were made of frost."* The American Baptist translation says, *"Behind him he makes a glistening path."*

Leviathan also leaves a path in the sea. Wherever Pride goes, he leaves a trail behind. Wherever you look you can see a trail of misery, broken lives and destruction. Do not walk in the path of Pride. It is a path that leads to shame and destruction.

Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear. (Job 41:33)

The Berkeley translation says, *"On earth there is not his equal, a creature devoid of fear."* The fact is, although Leviathan is represented by an earthly creature such as the crocodile or large sea serpent, we are not dealing with an earthly creature. We are dealing with a spirit, a strongman in the kingdom of darkness. There is no creature on earth that is comparable to this fearless spirit.

Attacking Leviathan and Other Related Spirits

If God will not withdraw his anger, the proud helpers do stoop under him. (Job 9:13)

He is God and he does not relent; the helpers of Rahab bow beneath him. (New American Translation)

Command the *helpers of Rahab* to bow beneath the Lord. Rahab is a spirit of pride. The name means "outrageous, violent, tumult, fierce, courageous, proud, vain and insolent."

- A sea monster, crocodile, destroyed by the arm of the Lord (Psalm 89:10; Isaiah 51:9).
- Has helpers (Job 9:13—literally meaning "the helpers of Rahab").

God will not withdraw His anger: the (proud) helpers of Rahab (arrogant monster of the sea) bow under him. (Amplified)

Remember, his (Leviathan's) strength is in his neck (Job 41:22). The Lord will give us the necks of our enemies (Psalm 18:40). Ask the Lord to break his head.

Remember to "strip the scales" of Leviathan. His scales are the demons that shield him from attack. Take away his armor and spoil his goods (victims) (Luke 11:22).

Related Spirits of Pride

- Anger
- Arrogancy
- Conceit
- Contention
- Defiance
- Disobedience
- Ego
- Haughtiness
- Intellectualism
- Lofty
- Manipulation
- Obstinate
- Perfection
- Pride of knowledge
- Rage
- Scorn
- Self-exaltation
- Selfishness
- Self-righteousness
- Strife
- Unbending
- Unwilling to apologize
- Unyielding
- Wrath
- Anti-submissiveness
- Boasting
- Control
- Cursing
- Destruction
- Domination
- Hardhearted
- Independence
- Intolerance
- Lying
- Mockery
- Orion
- Prejudice
- Puffed up
- Rebellion
- Self-centered
- Self-importance
- Self-promotion
- Shame
- Stubbornness
- Unwilling to admit wrong
- Unwilling to change
- Vanity
- Witchcraft

Rejection: (Pride is a compensating spirit for *rejection*)
When a person feels rejected, pride will cause them to have a false sense of security and feeling better about themselves.

Fear (will cause a person to cover up and hide) afraid to be yourself.

Fasting is often necessary when dealing with Leviathan. Through fasting, we humble the soul (Psalm 35:13). Fasting helps break the power of pride in our lives.

Strategies to Defeat Marine Demons

1. Worship (bow down) to the LORD that created the seas. This is the opposite posture of arrogant sea entities and is a rebuke to their pride (Psa. 95:1-6).
2. Praise him that created the seas. Praise is a weapon against these sea entities. The new song is especially powerful in releasing judgments against them (Psa. 33:1-7).
3. Declare and decree God's authority over the waters (Psa. 104:9).
4. Command the waters to praise Him who gathered them together (Psa. 98:7-9).
5. Ask God to break the heads of the dragons in the waters (Psa. 74:13, Isa. 27:1).
6. Ask God to awake and pierce Rahab (Isa. 51:9).
7. Blow shofars over the waters (this represents the voice of God over the waters) (Psa. 29:3).
8. Sing songs concerning God's authority over the waters.
9. Use salt which represents cleansing and purification of the waters.
10. Command the deeps to praise, command God's wonders in the deep (Psa. 148:11, Psa. 107:24).

Appendix: Tactics to Rout Demons

From *Annihilating the Hosts of Hell*, by Win Worley

A Way for the Deliverance Worker to Get Started:

1. Brief conversations about the reason the person is there for ministry.
2. General prayer and worship—focus on God and His goodness, power, etc.
3. Bind powers over the area, break assignments from powers in the air to demons in the person. Ask for angelic protection (Hebrews 1:14).
4. Ask and receive by faith the gifts of the Spirit needed to minister.

Leadership During Deliverance Time

1. Too many people commanding spirits (different ones) at the same time causes confusion for everyone, especially to the person being ministered to.
2. Leadership will often shift as the Holy Spirit directs.
3. Husbands are often the most effective in commanding spirits to leave their wives, with the support of others.

Tactics of Speaking to Demons

1. Address the spirit by name and if that is not known,

address by function.

- a) Either the Holy Spirit will give it, or
 - b) The demon will reveal himself.
 - c) Do not rely on either method exclusively—be open to the Holy Spirit in this area.
2. Repeatedly remind these spirits that your authority is given to you by Jesus Christ, Who is far above all rule and authority (Ephesians 1:21).
 3. Remind them of their fate in Revelation 20:10 and other places in Scripture (Job 30:3-8). Use the statement ("The Lord Jesus Christ rebukes you.") repeatedly, as a battering ram.
 4. It is helpful to harass the demons to confess that Jesus Christ is their Lord.
 5. Ruler demons often can be badgered for more information.
 6. At times you will command the ruler demon to go and then clean out the lesser demons under him, and if that does not work, reverse the tactics.
 7. Bind and separate interfering spirits as God leads.
 8. There is no need to shout at demons since the battle is not in the flesh, but in the Spirit.

What to Expect in Receiving Deliverance

While many deliverances involve obvious physical manifestations, not all react in this manner. Some spirits leave quietly and non-violently.

You may not have a strong physical reaction when receiving deliverance, therefore, don't be disappointed if you don't receive in this manner. What you should expect is

a release. You know there is a release when....

1. Oppressive force disappears;
2. Heaviness lifts;
3. Uneasiness goes away;
4. Burden or load lightens;
5. There is an inner sense of liberty, freedom, and divine satisfaction or contentment;
6. The joy of the Lord comes, and you are able to rejoice!

The result of deliverance is *righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost* (Romans 14:17). When devils are cast out, *the Kingdom of God has come* (Matthew 12:28).

Demon Manifestations

When evil spirits depart, you can normally expect some sort of manifestation through the mouth or nose. Listed below are some of the common manifestations:

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| • Coughing | • Drooling |
| • Vomiting | • Spitting |
| • Foaming | • Crying |
| • Screaming | • Sighing |
| • Roaring | • Belching |
| • Yawning | • Exhaling |

Again, when demons are cast out, they normally leave through the mouth or the nose. Spirits are associated with breathing. Both the Hebrews and the Greeks had only one word for *spirit* and *breath*.

In the Greek, that word is *pneuma*. The Holy Spirit is breathed *in* (John 20:22). Evil spirits are breathed *out*.

Sometimes people shake or tremble when they receive

deliverance. Their body, in whole or part, may actually shake or tremble.

Hindrances to Receiving Deliverance

- Curses
- Pride
- Ungodly Soul Ties
- Fear
- Unbelief
- Unforgiveness
- Sin
- Passivity
- Occultism
- Embarrassment
- Lack of Desire
- Lack of Knowledge

All demons have legal, biblical grounds. They may not torment at will. If demons have legal grounds, then they have the right to remain. These legal grounds must be destroyed in order to receive and maintain deliverance.

How to Keep Your Deliverance

1. Read God's Word daily.
2. Find a group of Bible believing people, preferably a church, and regularly meet with them for worship, study and ministry.
3. Pray with the understanding and in tongues.
4. Place the blood of Jesus on yourself and your family.

5. Determine as nearly as you can which spirits have been cast out of you. Make a list for these areas Satan will try to recapture.
6. The way demons gain re-entry is through a lax, undisciplined thought life. The mind is the battlefield. You must cast down imaginations, and bring every thought into the obedience of Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5).
7. Pray to the Father fervently, asking Him to make you alert, sober and vigilant against wrong thoughts (1 Peter 5:8, 9).
8. The demons signal their approach to you by the fact that the old thought patterns you once had are now trying to return unto you. As soon as this happens, immediately rebuke them. State *verbally* that you refuse them as quickly as possible.
9. You have the authority to loose the *angels of the Lord* to battle the demons (Hebrews 1:14; Matthew 18:18). Bind the demons and loose upon them the spirits of destruction (1 Chronicles 21:12) and burning and judgment (Isaiah 4:4) from the Lord Jesus Christ. Also, loose warrior angels upon the demons.

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Marine Demons

There are "powers" linked to the waters. We call these marine demons. They can still affect the land when men invite them through "conscious" or "unconscious" pacts and decisions. Coastal areas are vulnerable to these spirits, and churches in these areas need to be aware of their activities. God's power is needed today to muzzle them just as God did in the beginning. Those involved in spiritual warfare should not overlook this key component of Satan's kingdom.

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