

Study QUESTIONS

Ep.1356: Are There Different Kinds of Evil Spirits?

See:



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1. Who are the demons in the Bible? Where are they now? Are they totally ineffectual at this time? Who is the “ruler of this world”? (Jude 1:6, 2 Peter 2:4, John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11)
2. Describe the episode of the woman with the daughter “vexed with a devil.” Why was it odd Jesus healed the daughter?
3. Explain why it is important to feed our minds with righteous input. (Matthew 12:43-45, 15:22-24)

Jesus heals the boy with an unclean spirit: Matthew 17:14-20, Mark 9:14-29, Luke 9:37-43

4. Describe the life of the father and his son. What does the father tell the scribes, disciples and Jesus?
5. What do the words translated *spirit* in the Bible mean? Give examples of the usage of the word where it represents a personal entity and where it doesn't. (John 3:8, 1 Corinthians 2:11)
6. Compare the behavior of the demon in Luke 4:33-35 with the unclean spirit in the boy. (Mark 9:25-27)
7. What are some clues that the spirit in Mark 9:25 was not a demon? (2 Timothy 1:7)
8. Discuss the lessons on the power of faith and prayer from Matthew 17:20, Mark 9:28-29.

Things to remember when faced with demonic possession and mental health challenges:

9. *Comment and expand on each point:* **Demon possession** / **Mental Health issue**
 - a. **Demons exist, James 2:19**
Recognizing mental health issues exist and their cause is important.
 - b. **Satan's reign of terror is temporary, Hebrews 2:14**
All mental health issues are temporary too!
 - c. **Prayer, peace and protection! Philippians 4:6-7**
Prayer, peace, protection—and professional help!
10. Distinguish between the different kinds of evil spirits. What are the three fundamental differences between demon possession and the experience of the boy with the unclean spirit? (see graphic)
11. Do you suffer from mental health challenges? Have you sought God's help through consulting a professional? Is there someone else who might be helped through your prayer and support as they struggle through this kind of a problem? Please encourage them to seek help and support.