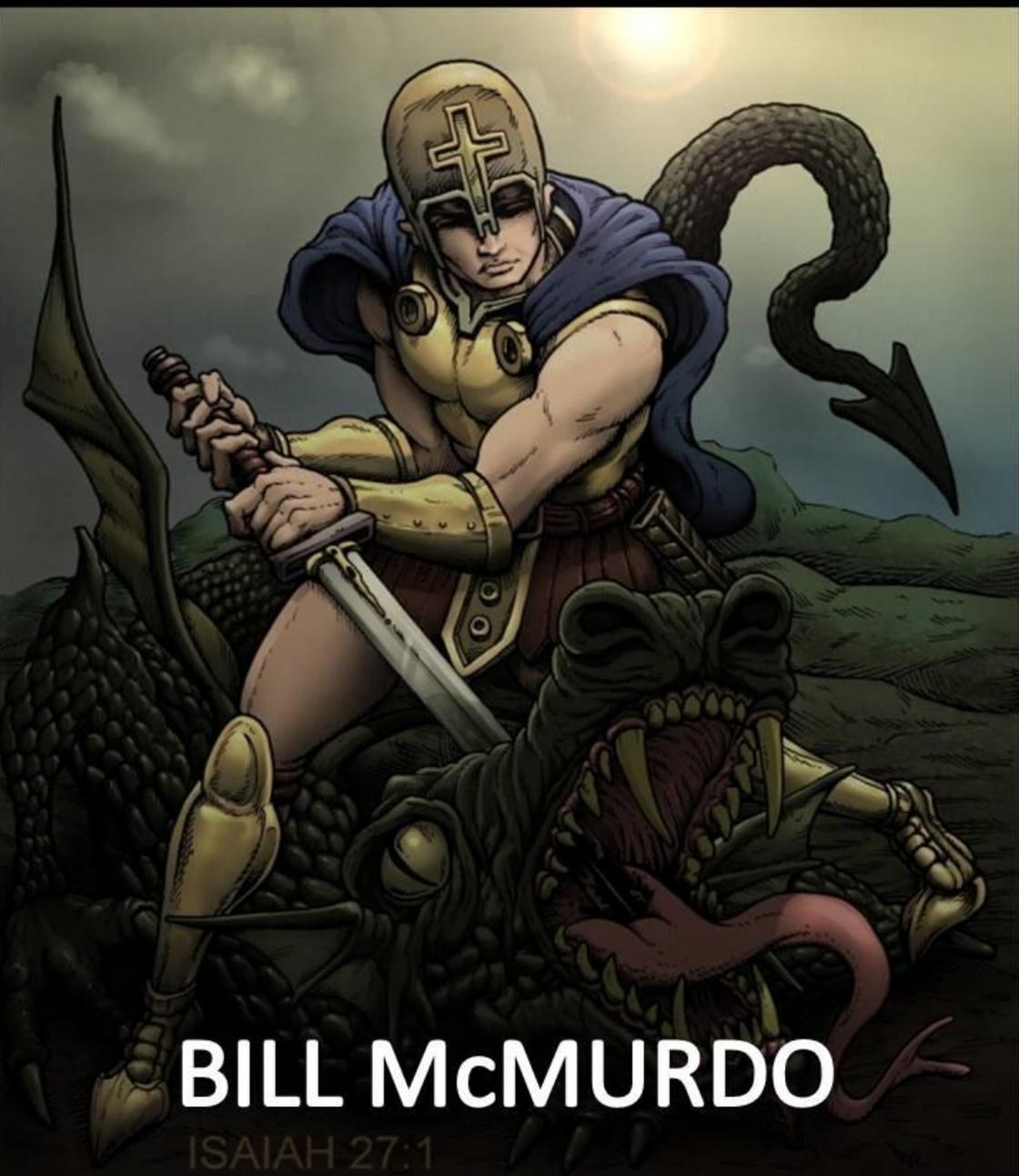


# DEFEATING THE MAMMON SPIRIT



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ISAIAH 27:1



***For the word of  
God is living, and  
powerful, and  
sharper than any  
two-edged sword***

**Please note that God's true Name has been used in Scripture quotations instead of "the LORD"**

**Versions of Scripture used are as follows:**

**KJV – King James Version**

**NKJV – New King James Version**

**VW – Voice in the Wilderness**

**NHEBSYE – New Heart English Bible Special YHWH Edition**

**YLT – Young's Literal Translation**

**LEB – Lexham English Bible**

**NIV – New International Version**

# MEET THE BEAST

**In that day YHWH 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.**

**ISAIAH 27:1**

The leviathan is that which attaches itself to something or someone and causes its victim to borrow. It is the world banking system, the debt economy we all live under. It is Mystery, Babylon – the mammon economy.

The sea is the world, the “many waters” of peoples, tribes, tongues and cultures (see Revelation 17:15).

One day God is going to destroy the sea monster leviathan that seeks to control the sea.

Rahab is another name for this beast.

**Awake! Awake; put on strength, O arm of Yahweh!**

**Awake as in days of long ago, the generations of a long time back!**

**Are you not the one who cut Rahab in pieces, the one who pierced the sea-dragon?**

**ISAIAH 51:9 LEB**

This is a reference to the time that God destroyed the might of Egypt in the Red Sea as the Israelites were on the way to the Promised Land.

Rahab is a symbolic name, both for Egypt and for any system that seeks to rise up in the earth against God and His people.

Of course, this world system is headed up by satan himself – the Great Dragon – and by other principalities and powers of the rebellious spirit world. These principalities go by the names of Mammon, Leviathan, Rahab and Babylon.

There are seven historical uprisings of this leviathan monster in the sea of the world, seeking to usurp God's authority and destroy His people, That is to say, there have been seven world superpowers that have arisen which are this sea monster trying to usurp God's authority.

Most scholars will agree that the first six of these are Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo Persia, Greece and the Roman Empire.

The seventh beast out of the sea is open to different interpretations and it is beyond the scope of this book to explore this.

What is important for our consideration is the eighth beast, which is the last one.

The important thing to understand about the eighth beast is that it seeks to impose an economic stranglehold on the people of this planet. It is an oppressive spirit, keeping the poor in bondage and enriching a small elite.

For example, we live in a debt economy where people generally need a mortgage to get a house. This means that people pay several times over what they borrow to purchase their house. No wonder “mortgage” is French for “death choke!”

Many people live two paychecks from financial disaster and the cost of living continues to spiral upwards, though wages do not. On top of this is the pressure to buy to keep pace with the latest technologies, including smartphones, tablets etc.

In the 21<sup>st</sup> century people have more stuff than ever before. This includes luxuries and “toys” that our ancestors could barely dream of. Yet you couldn’t say that generally people live in opulence. The pressure that accompanies our fast-paced, gadget-laden lifestyle is crushing for many.

As Jesus said, what is the point of gaining the whole world if we lose our own soul in the process?

The stress levels of millions who live in the rat race testify to the wisdom in Jesus’ words on the matter.

# LIFE ON THE HAMSTER WHEEL

Living on the hamster wheel is no fun. Yet that is exactly what millions do every hour of every day.

It doesn't matter how much stuff you have – how many cars are in your driveway or how big your plasma screen is. None of these things matter if they are just toys that assuage your bondage.

Slavery is slavery, regardless of the pay.

If you don't have enough to walk away from the rat race, you are yet in the rat race.

There is nothing worse than being in slavery, yet not recognizing it as such.

What men call normal life, God calls the house of bondage.

You don't have to live in the rat race.

You don't have to spend your life running on the hamster wheel, existing to pay debts and cover your bills.

When you accept that life is meaningless if you have to go to a job you hate, then you are on the path to freedom.

Many bow out of the rat race by being lazy and living on government handouts. That isn't the answer, either.

Here is the Bible template for financial wellbeing:-

**And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:  
2 CORINTHIANS 9:8**

God's plan is you having more than enough for every possible personal requirement, with a surplus that means you abound – not just give a little – to every good work.

The NIV says it like this:-

**And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.  
2 CORINTHIANS 9:8 NIV**

I like that “in all things at all times” phrase. In other words, this isn't a perfect moment scenario – it is a lifestyle.

God's normal is you engulfed with abundant money and resources, so much so that the only real fun you can have with them is to give them away.

And when you do, these things are multiplied back to you.

For many, however, life is just the opposite of this. They don't have enough to get by and they certainly don't have enough to give to every good work, let alone abound to every good work.

Clearly, something isn't working right with the way most people do things.

We need to swap our normality for God's normality.

We need God's template to be our template when it comes to economics and financial matters.



# PROMISED LAND

**There remains therefore a rest for the people of God.**

**HEBREWS 4:9 NKJV**

God's purpose for His people is that they live in the same condition and environment as He does.

That is a place of peace, plenty, prosperity and utter joy.

The Pattern Prayer taught us by the Master has at its heart: "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven."

God wants heaven replicated on earth.

There is no death or sickness in heaven.

There is no sin in heaven.

There is no poverty in heaven.

There is no rat race or economic slavery in heaven.

Yahweh took Israel out of slavery in Egypt to the Promised Land.

The Promised Land was a type of heaven.

It was to be a place where they would have -according to God's Word in Deuteronomy 6:11 -"houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, and cisterns dug out, which

you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees, which you did not plant, and you shall eat and be full.”

Sweatless prosperity is God’s best for His people. This actually goes against our “work hard if you want to get ahead” culture. We have mistaken hard work for diligent work all too often. Diligent work is effort applied with wisdom, not just labour for labour’s sake.

**The blessing of Jehovah, it makes rich, with no sorrow added.**  
**PROVERBS 10:22 VW**

As God’s people we are supposed to live in the land of blessing, not the land of hard labour.

Why would God deliver us from the rat race only to impose a life of drudgery upon us? The answer is, He doesn’t!

Don’t misunderstand this. God hates laziness and you can find out the reward for laziness the hard way by being lazy. Or you can read the Book of Proverbs and avoid sloth like the plague.

The truth is that we are to live as kings and queens in life.

Kings and queens don’t need to do menial, pointless work for a living.

There’s nothing wrong with doing work that tires you and leaves you drained. Especially if your work involves a lot of physical exertion, such as a builder or farmer.

The point is not what you do but where you do it from.

Are you doing what you do out of compunction or from a place of rest and peace?

Desperation is not the place that God wants His people to function from.

The Promised Land for believers today is where money chases after us, not us chasing after money.

It is a place of commanded blessing.

**Jehovah shall command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you put your hand, and He will bless you in the land which Jehovah your God is giving to you.**

**DEUTERONOMY 28:8 VW**

All-sufficiency in all things at all times, with a surplus that allows us to abound to every good work – that is the place God wants us to operate from.

It is a place of dominion, where any actual labour we undertake is to bless others and further the Kingdom.

Our concept of labour has to change from one of having to work to live, to living for God and His Kingdom.

Remember that Jesus said to seek first the Kingdom of God and all the things we need in life would be added to us (see Matthew 6:33).

This doesn't just mean put God first but it does incorporate a mindset where we live from a place of dominion in God's Kingdom rather than a place of forced servitude under Mammon.

"Why am I here?" is the liberating question you must ask.

If you think you are here to work in some dead-end job you hate, then you are living a very sub-standard life.

Particularly if you see yourself as a martyr, sacrificing your happiness to feed your family.

God is not interested in your sacrifice. To obey is better than sacrifice.

Doing what God wants you to do is true success and the only way to impress Him.

That doesn't mean that we all don't go through stages where we are doing work we don't like or find unfulfilling.

And it doesn't mean that we shouldn't do this.

For a season.

Surrendering your calling to a job you hate is not noble. It is disobedience.

It is settling for Mammon's scraps rather than YHWH's feast.

A big part of it all is to do what you love.

Doing what you love is not work. It is you being you i.e. the you that you were called to be.

There remains a rest for the people of God.

This means God wants you to live in your own Promised Land, not in the wilderness.

The rest is there. The Promised Land is available. God is not withholding it from you.

What you need to do is enter into it.

# ENTERING INTO HIS REST

There is a rest for the people of God – and He wants us to live in that place of rest and peace.

The thing is, YOU have to enter it.

Entering the rest of God is the simplest thing in life – yet not always easy.

It is, however, much easier than the alternative, which is to live a life of struggle and stress. In comparison to the rest of God, all other forms of living are wilderness lifestyles.

Going through the wilderness is something we all have to do. It is a journey that is character-building. We need to remember that we are not supposed to put down roots in the wilderness, however.

What was supposed to be an eleven day journey for the children of Israel became a forty year experience. Why? Because they murmured and complained. Remember that their experience is to be an example for us living in the last days (1 Corinthians 10:1-11).

God's purpose for His people is to live in the Promised Land – a place of peace, security, plenty and justice.

The rest of God is an analogy for a life lived by faith. It is not a place of worry, struggle or anxiety.

Jesus contrasted the rest of faith with the way most of the world lives, which is serving Mammon.

**No one is able to serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. It is not possible to serve God and mammon.  
MATTHEW 6:24 VW**

We could say it this way: You can live in the Promised Land with God or live outside it. You can live a life of rest and peace in the Promised Land or live in the rat race. The choice is yours.

It is important to understand that God will not make that choice for you. He has already made a rest for you. Entering in is up to you.

Living outside of the rest of faith is serving Mammon. Look at what this entails:-

**Therefore I say to you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?  
Observe the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?  
Which of you by being anxious is able to add one cubit to his stature?  
So why are you anxious about clothing?  
Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin;**

**and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?**

**Therefore do not be anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or What shall we drink? or What shall we wear?**

**MATTHEW 6:25-31 VW**

Serving Mammon is to live a life of worry, fear, uncertainty and anxiety. It is a stressful existence worrying about bills, rent and all the things we need to live.

Sadly, that is how the vast majority of people live. The world system is designed to keep people running on the hamster wheel, paying debts and staying a few steps ahead of destitution.

Serving Mammon is a lifetime of indentured servitude. The only way out is to serve another Master.

The big lie in life is freedom. The truth is, there is no absolute freedom for man. You either serve God or Mammon. It's just that God is a far better Master. He frees us from Mammon, not from serving.

There is no neutrality in life. There is no Switzerland in the spirit, You are either serving God or Mammon.

What is vital to understand is that you can be a born-again, Spirit-filled believer – on fire for God and fervent in your faith. Yet you can still be an effective servant of

Mammon. If you are full of fear and anxiety in the financial realm, you are in bondage to Mammon.

There remains a rest for the people of God. That means you can be one of His people but still in effective slavery,

**And I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.**

**REVELATION 18:4 NKJV**

Here we see an angel crying out to God's people to come out of the Babylon system.

You have to leave the Mammon economy and enter into the Promised Land of rest.

How do you do this?

The answer is in Hebrews chapter 4:-

**There remains therefore a rest for the people of God.**

**For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.**

**Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.**

**For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and**

**spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.**

**HEBREWS 4:9-12 NKJV**

We see here that there is a rest and that those who have entered this rest are no longer striving or stressing in life. These people are no longer doing their own works i.e. living by their own efforts.

In other words, they are out of the system. Free from the rat race.

Note the paradox of entering into rest – you must be diligent to enter into rest. The King James Version says here that we must labour to enter into that rest.

In order to rest from your own works, you have to be diligent in entering rest. This is the only real labour required of you as a believer.

The price for leaving the hamster wheel of Mammon is intense effort in one key area.

What is that area?

We are left in no doubt.

Verse 12 is the key to entering the Promised Land.

That key is the Word of God.

# THE TWO-EDGED SWORD

Hebrews 4:12 tells us that the Word of God is alive and powerful. It is likened to a two-edged sword.

The Greek for “two-edged” sword literally reads “two-mouthed” sword!

This is the key to entering the rest of God!

God speaks His Word. We have it in our Bibles. But it doesn't come alive and have power for us until we speak that Word too.

IT TAKES TWO MOUTHS FOR THE WORD TO COME ALIVE AND HAVE POWER IN YOUR LIFE!!!

YOU must speak what He has spoken.

That is where the power is. That is where the Life is. That is how you enter into rest.

We focus a great deal on what God has said and rightly so. But that is not what releases the power in His Word.

You and I must speak the Word for it to be sharper than a two-edged sword. There is exponential power in both God and the believer speaking His Word.

**And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.**

**His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.**

**And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.**

**And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.**

**And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**

**REVELATION 19:11-16**

Jesus has a sharp sword in His mouth. His intention is to smite the nations i.e. release judgement. How will He do this?

Through His saints!

It is when we take what He has said in His Word and put it in our mouths that it becomes a two-mouthed sword.

You see this in Psalm 149:-

**Praise YAH! Sing unto Jehovah a new song, and His praise in the assembly of saints.**

**Let Israel rejoice in Him who made them; let the sons of Zion be joyful in their King.**

**Let them praise His name in the dance; let them make music unto Him with the timbrel and harp.**

**For Jehovah takes pleasure in His people; He will glorify the lowly with salvation.**

**Let the saints be joyful in glory; let them shout aloud upon their beds.**

**Let the exaltation of the Mighty God be in their throat, and a two-edged sword in their hand,**

**to execute vengeance upon the nations, and punishment upon the peoples;**

**to bind their kings with fetters, and their nobles with bonds of iron;**

**to execute upon them the judgment that is written; this honor is for all His saints.**

**Praise YAH!**

**PSALM 149 VW**

We see here that the two-edged sword is in the hands of believers as a weapon and instrument of dominion. Your Bible has been given you as a means of taking authority over the governmental structure and economic system of this world!

It is YOU, dear reader, if you are a follower of Jesus Christ, that has the authority in the spiritual realm and you can wield that authority over earthly powers.

That authority is exercised by prayer and by proclamation of God's Word. In this way what God said from HIS

mouth is joined by what you say from YOUR mouth and this is the two-mouthed sword which keeps earthly rulers in line.

We often hear of a shadow government behind the visible ones – the so-called “hidden hand” which is a banking cartel running things from behind the scenes.

There is a lot of truth in this and this is why the Bible identifies this clandestine power in the names it uses to identify it i.e. Babylon, Mammon and Leviathan. In a nutshell, the world is ruled by people to whom wealth and riches are worshipped and personified as idols.

Let us not forget, however, that no matter how rich and powerful worldly rulers are, they are bound with fetters and bars of iron. This means that they are hemmed in by God’s people who wield dominion and authority over what are called the 7 Mountains of culture.

It is clear that we enter the place of rest by becoming expert swordsmen. The more you become an expert in your use of the Word of God, the greater will be your experience of rest.

Let’s all become Samurai master swordsmen in our wielding of the two-edged sword of the Spirit!

We enter our rest by speaking God’s Word over and over. Master swordsmen become that way by practicing for hours every day. You will be the same if you keep God’s Word in your mouth.

It must be borne in mind that the Bible speaks of certain things in different ways but those differing descriptions are referring to the same thing. Remember that the Mammon spirit is another name for Leviathan and Babylon.

Other terms and descriptions include fear and the love of money. Fearing lack is just the other side of the coin to love of money.

To understand this, look at the following scriptures:

**...for whatever is not from faith is sin.  
ROMANS 14:23 NKJV**

This tells us that all things that are not from faith are sin. Fear is the opposite of faith. So we could easily say this: Fear is the source of all sin. Just as faith leads to righteousness, fear leads to sin.

Remember that Jesus clearly identified serving Mammon as being dominated by fear. Fear of lack is serving Mammon.

**For the love of money is the root of all evil.  
1 TIMOTHY 6:10 MEV**

Compare this to Romans 14:23 where it says that whatever is not of faith is sin. We can say that fear is, then, the origin and root of all sin.

Now, here in 1 Timothy 6:10 we are told that the love of money is the root of all evil. What does this mean?

**It means that fear and the love of money are the same thing!**

Now look at this:

**Then he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filth of her sexual immorality. On her forehead a name was written:**

**MYSTERY,  
BABYLON THE GREAT,  
THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES  
AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.  
REVELATION 17:3-5 MEV**

It is plainly evident here that Babylon is the source of the abominations of the earth. In Revelation chapter 18 we are told that Babylon is “a dwelling place of demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit and a haunt for every unclean and hateful bird.” We are also told that “all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.”

Clearly Babylon is another term for that which is the source of all evil, wickedness and sin on planet earth.

So, using spiritual understanding and scriptural logic, we could easily say that fear, the love of money and Babylon are synonymous terms.

Fear = the love of money = Babylon!

We can then quite comfortably say that the Mammon spirit is the love of money, which is the spirit of fear.

It is important to understand that you defeat the Mammon spirit when you destroy fear and its effects in your life!

You serve God and not Mammon by walking free from fear.

# THE BIBLE SECRET TO DEFEATING MAMMON

There is a Bible secret to defeating Mammon and walking free from fear in life.

If you are free from fear, then it stands to reason that you cannot be bound by Mammon.

Jesus said that no man can serve two masters. We will either cling to one master or the other.

Sadly, we have seen this too often as a performance-related issue. By that I mean we assume that a little bit of fear messes up our serving God. Funnily enough, we never look at it the other way around.

What we have missed is that Jesus is not talking about what we do being the key to whom we serve. He is saying that who we serve is not predicated by what we do but by what we are conscious of.

Look at these verses:

**“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroy and where thieves do not break in nor steal, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.**

**“The light of the body is the eye. Therefore, if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is unclear, your whole body will be full of darkness.**

**Therefore, if the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!**

**“No one can serve two masters. For either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”**

**MATTHEW 6:19-24 MEV**

It is all about what we store up in ourselves. The spirit man is a bank. If we store up what God said about our right to superabundant financial supply, then Mammon will have no hold on us because we are free from fear of lack!

Note that Jesus likened this to being flooded with light. If you flood your consciousness with God’s Word, you will be full of light. He actually says your whole body will be full of light.

Why is this important? Because darkness has no power over the light. Darkness can never overpower the light. Defeating Mammon and walking free from fear is not a matter of behaviour-modification; it is about what you flood your consciousness with.

The more faith you flood your body with by speaking God’s Word, the more you will be full of light.

**For the word of God is living and powerful,  
and sharper than any two-edged sword,**

**piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.**

**HEBREWS 4:12.13 NKJV**

Note here that penetration of the body by the Word is vital to entering rest and walking free from fear.

What you are flooded with determines who you will serve.

It isn't about trying to change your behaviour; it is about what is in your consciousness.

This takes us to the Bible secret to defeating Mammon. By this I mean a Bible shortcut you can use to flood your spirit, soul and body with light, thus ensuring you will be free from Mammon's thrall.

If you are not excited by this, you should be!

Here is the shortcut I am referring to:-

**Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.  
1 JOHN 4:17 KJV**

This glorious verse tells us that we can walk in perfect love and have no fear of judgment because as He is, so are we in this world.

We are already perfect in Him.

We didn't get a 40% salvation. We weren't regenerated to only 60% capacity! We were made just like Jesus and this person who is 100% like Jesus is in our inner man.

As God the Father is in heaven, so are we in this world.

As Jesus the King of the Universe is seated in heavenly splendor, so are we in this world.

This is our end point, our destination, our *telios*.

**The Bible secret to walking free from fear is to flood our consciousness with the wonderful truth that as He is, so ARE we in this world!!**

Please note that it doesn't say we WILL BE like Him – it says we ARE!!

The inner you is perfect in Jesus. You don't *become* more perfect because if you needed to, then the new birth would be insufficient. What is needed is to get that perfect you to permeate your outer man.

This doesn't come by works or by behaviour-modification; it comes by consciousness.

The more you flood your consciousness with the truth of who you really are in Him, the more you demonstrate the perfection that is already inside you.

You have to start realizing that you got a perfect Jesus and a perfect Holy Ghost when you got born again. You didn't get a salvation with bugs that need to be fixed.

You must affirm who you are in Him to walk in perfect love.

The reason for this is simple. Look at the next verse:-

**There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.  
1 JOHN 4:18 KJV**

Perfect love casts out fear! In other words, perfect love casts out the Mammon spirit! Perfect love defeats Babylon! Perfect love keeps the love of money away!

If you are in fear, you are not made perfect in love. Now this doesn't mean that perfect love does not reside in you. It is talking about how that perfect love within has not permeated your life yet.

If you are still dominated or influenced by Mammon, you have not let your inner man loose yet. The Kingdom within has not been fully released.

You must keep affirming that as He is, so are you here in this world. As He is Perfect Love in heaven, so are you in this world.

There is another secret within this secret which will help you. It is this: God's Name Yahweh means "He is."

So you could say it like this: *As Yahweh, so am I in this world.*

As you meditate and speak the Divine Name of Yahweh, the more you will walk in love. Jesus taught His disciples this Name as a means to walk in deeper love (see John 17:26).

Walking in perfect love is how you defeat the Mammon spirit. Affirming that as He is, so are we in this world is the Bible shortcut to walking in perfect love.

# HOW GOD GAVE ME THE SWORD OF THE LORD REVELATION

Many years ago I was going through a trial of depression. One night I went to bed and as I was lying on my bed, I suddenly came out of my body and stood beside my bed in the spirit realm.

Although I was still in the bedroom and was aware of those surroundings, I was in the dimension of spirit. The next thing I was aware of was that satan was present. The over-riding and overwhelming impression was one of fear. The evil one radiates fear; it comes off him in sheets.

So strong was this feeling that I collapsed in utter powerlessness. I was conscious that he had come to claim me. I was on my knees on the floor beside my bed and as I turned round to look over my shoulder, I saw my angel standing behind me.

I was thinking: "Why is my angel not helping me here?" When I looked at him again, he pointed to the ground in front of me. Well, as I said, I was in my bedroom but the ground in front of me was dust as I was also in the spirit.

There in front of me was a sword that began to gleam in the dust!

I grabbed the sword and an indescribable feeling of righteous rage surged through me, as well as amazing power and strength. I literally didn't care what happened

to me as I rushed at the evil one, swinging wildly and roaring like a berserker.

The next thing I knew – boof! Satan was gone and I returned back to my body, prone in the bed.

After this experience, people began to prophesy and see visions of me with a sword in my hand. I was very conscious of the sword in my hand – I could feel it there whenever I turned my attention to it.

Years later I noticed that this feeling was something I was no longer experiencing and I asked the Lord why. His answer surprised, intrigued and thrilled me.

“Because the sword is in your mouth now,” was what He said.

Friends, like every precious revelation, this one cost me a great price. The truth you are reading in this book has come from a place of tears and pain, as well as joy and overcoming. The evil one hates when God reveals deep truths to us and fights to resist this truth being spread.

Yet this glorious message is being shared with God’s people all over the world and it is this:

**NOTHING IN THE HEAVENS OR ON EARTH CAN STAND AGAINST OR DEFEAT THE SWORD OF THE LORD.**

And even more wonderful is this amazing reality:

**IT ISN’T JUST HIS SWORD – IT’S YOURS ALSO!**



The Lord has given  
a land of good things,  
I will press in and make them mine.  
I'll know His power,  
I'll know His glory,  
And in His kingdom I will shine.

*With the high praises  
of God in our mouth  
And a two-edged sword  
in our hand,  
We'll march right  
on to the victory side,  
Right into Canaan's land.*

Gird up your armour,  
ye sons of Zion,  
Gird up your armour,  
let's go to war.  
We'll win the battle  
with great rejoicing,  
And so we'll praise Him  
more and more.

We'll bind their kings  
in chains and fetters,  
We'll bind their nobles tight in iron,  
To execute God's written judgement;  
March on to glory, sons of Zion!

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