

**“Disciples Are Prepared To Do/  
Disciples Are Prepared to Rule”  
Matthew 9: 32-38**

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Verse 32 - 34

**Demons destroyed/ Disciples  
prepared to do**

**Someone cared and brought the man to Jesus**

**Our job = *to be a witness***

**Witness = “*martureo*” = a pointer; one who declares the facts of an event**

**John 1: 6-7**

True believers know they are here for Jesus, to submit to His teachings and His rule

*“ . . . . let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me”*

Luke 9: 23

To deny self is to deny self-rule

The demonic realm is interested in keeping people from the real Jesus –

*to continue self-rule!*

**Can a believer be demon possessed?**

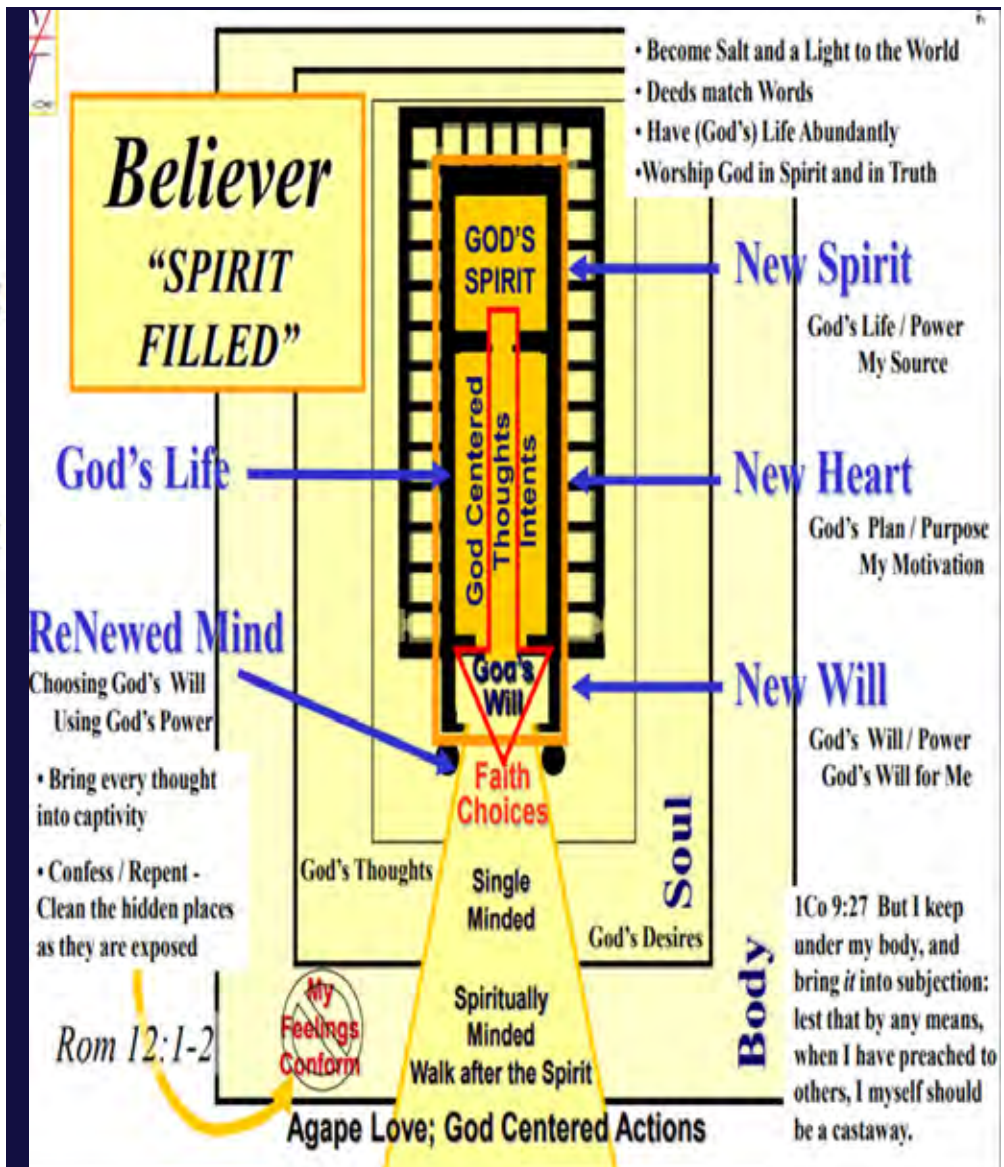
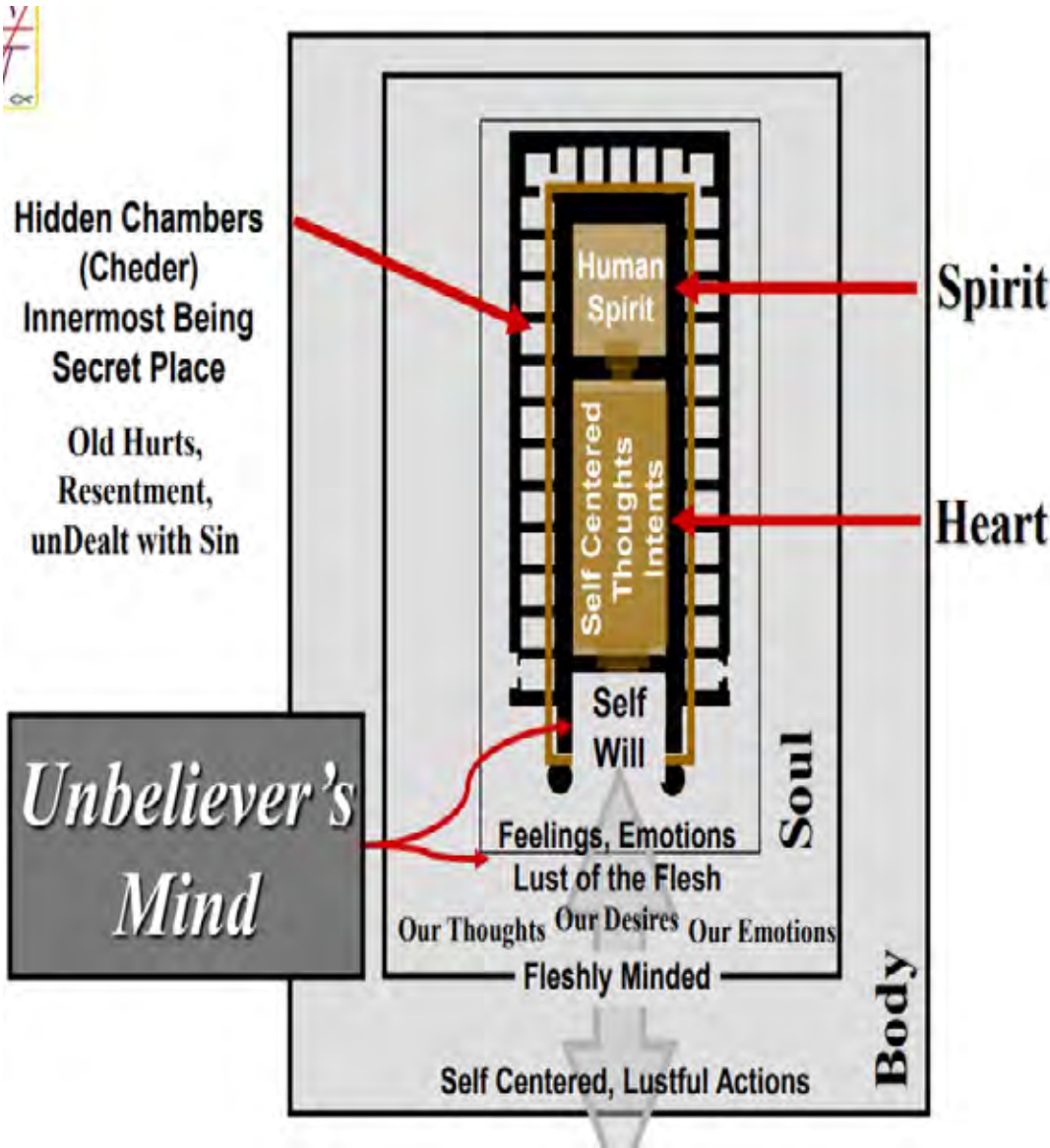
**NO!!!**

**At salvation, the Holy Spirit takes up residence in a person's inner being – 2 Corinthians 6: 15-16**

**You are the temple, God dwells in you; no demon can dwell where the glory of God dwells**

**At salvation, the Holy Spirit indwells, seals, and owns that person**

**A believer can be demon oppressed, but is always Holy Spirit possessed**



**Believers can make self-willed, flesh choices that open them up to oppression**

**Flesh choice = agreeing with our old nature, which loves the world system and its ways!**

**Your fighting instructions:**

**Submit**

**Resist**

**Come near to God**

**James 4: 7-8**

## Cure for Oppression: (Neil Anderson/*The Bondage Breaker*)

Confession – Confess your sins - 1 John 1: 9

The devil hates this and wants you to make excuses

Renouncing – Renounce strongholds (*the occult, sex, jealousy, vanity, greed, drugs, anger, etc.*)  
Matthew 4: 10

Forgiveness – Forgive others and yourself.  
God has forgiven you and **you must forgive to be free of oppression** – *no forgiveness, no freedom!!* Mark 11: 25



## Pharisee response: Dispute the truth!

There are always skeptics who refuse to believe the evidence

*“He casts out demons by the ruler of demons”*

Jesus will later address this charge

The result: The offer of the kingdom to Israel is rescinded, put on hold, until the time of the Gentiles is complete – Luke 21: 24

# Daniel's Seventy Weeks

(Daniel 9:24-27)



Verse 35 - 36

**The disciples see Jesus moved with  
compassion**

**Jesus is modeling what He expects His disciples to do**

**They are being prepared for ministry, equipped and ready to fly**

**Like a baby bird, there is a time to fly – from watching and learning, to doing**

**Most Christians are baby birds, wanting to be fed baby food, never wanting to fly**



God's desire: *Fly, baby bird, fly, grow up!*



**Verse 37 - 38**

**It is time for the disciples to do**

**Laborers are needed – *this is obvious!***

**What is not so obvious?**

*We are to pray that God will  
send out laborers*

**Move from the sidelines, (*the observation phase of  
Christianity*) to the active phase!**

**Most want someone else (*anyone but me*)**

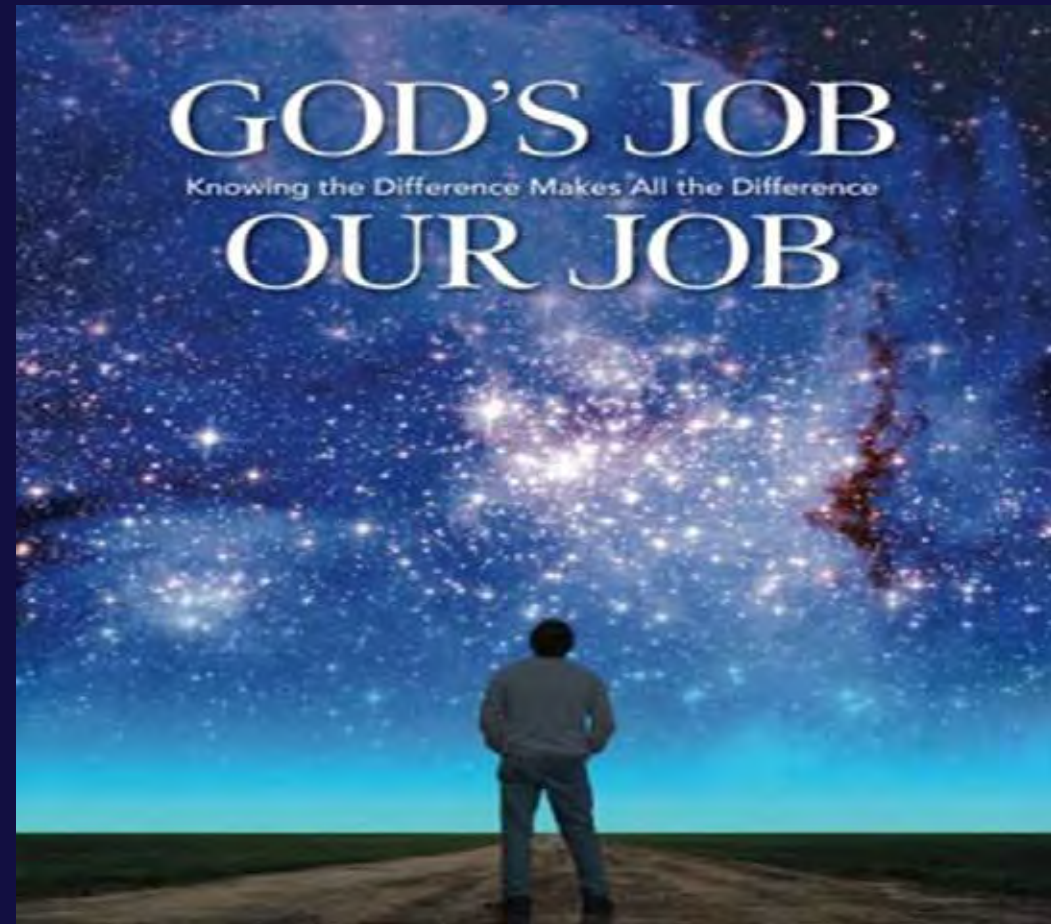
**Who is this guy named “*someone*”?**

Remember Moses - send “*someone*”,  
anyone, but me, God – **Exodus 4: 13-18**



**It is God's job to save them –**

*It is our job to tell them!*



Hop on the train, get on the team; *move from watching the game to playing the game!*

**NO  
GUTS,  
NO  
GLORY.**

do  
you  
have  
the guts?

## Closing:

The 12 disciples were given Messiah's authority to do signs and wonders to authenticate their message

You have something greater!

You have the indwelling Holy Spirit!

The "*dunamis*" power is in you – Acts 1: 8

You have a mission: Go and tell, make disciples  
Great Commission

**Evil will do everything to inhibit your mission:**

*DECEPTION*

*DISTRACTION*

*DISCOURAGEMENT*

*FIREY DARTS*

*Stay on mission*

*Stay focused*

*Stay engaged*

*Stay **SALTY!!***

Right now, you are being prepared for another place – **you are being prepared to RULE!**

Just think: *FOREVER!*

**Prepared to DO and to RULE!**

Heaven is not *BORING!!*

Until then, stand by, the waters will be choppy, the resistance immense, the battle will rage!!

***YOU ARE A TRAINED WARRIOR!!***



**WATCH,  
STAND FAST  
IN THE FAITH,  
BE BRAVE,  
BE STRONG.**

*1 Corinthians 16:13*

***Know this truth . . . . .***

***You are prepared to DO, (now)***

***You are being prepared to RULE (future)***