

What? Know ye not that your body is the Beit Ha Mikdash of the Ruach Ha Kadosh which is in you, which ye have of YHUH, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify YHUH in your body, and in your ruach, which are YHUH's. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

The Message

Defining the Temple is necessary in order to understand how the Temple is defiled and defended. The temple in which YHUH lives on earth today is the body of a born-again believer. This is such an overwhelming thought, that YHUH actually indwells the believer with His Ruach Ha Kadosh. This can become confusing to some who ask the question, "**If the Ruach Ha Kadosh of YHUH lives in me, how could evils spirits get into me as well?**" **How can sin and evil thoughts live in the temple of YHUH?** Evil spirits can get in the temple just like evil thoughts and sinful actions. By choices we make and gates that we open.

Our Body is composed of three distinct parts; we are three in one. We are a spirit that has a living soul that lives in a body. The best comparison I know is to look at our body, or more correctly our being, as a temple or a tabernacle. A Paul calls it in 1 Corinthians 5:1. "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of YHUH, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

Do you recall the First Covenant wilderness tabernacle? It was three parts; an outer courtyard, then the actual structure of the tabernacle which included the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies. The Holy Place was twice as large as the Holy of Holies. **The Tabernacle is a picture of our being.** The courtyard represents our flesh, the Holy Place-our soul, and the Holy of Holies-our spirit. The Holy of Holies is where the Spirit of YHUH dwells. This is important in understanding how the temple is defiled. **Where does the Ruach of YHUH dwell in the believer? In our spirit! Not in our soul and flesh, that is the part of us that we can CHOOSE to yield to YHUH or to disobedience.** Our soul is made up of our mind, will and emotions. Our flesh is that which can be seen, touched, felt . . . it has substance. It is intangible, it is our spirit-ruach that is born-again, and it is in our spirit-ruach that the Ruach Ha Kadosh of YHUH takes up residence.

Perhaps the spirit-ruach is also the "inner man of the heart". It is very important to understand that we are a three part being like YHUH made in His express image. We are a three-part being. The spirit has been born again, the soul and the flesh are "being saved" as/if we yield ourselves and conform to the image of Messiah. **It is ONLY the soul and the flesh that can be inhabited by demon powers. It is the soul where spiritual battles take place and often it manifests in the flesh.**

The mind is the battlefield. The mind and the brain are separate, but I cannot scientifically prove to you how I know this. The brain is physical, the mind is "soul-ish." The seed of sin is in the mind while the fruit of sin may be manifested in the flesh. **Demons do not, cannot, possess a believer**

but... they can and often do "oppress or demonize" believers and the oppression takes place in the body and soul. It is necessary to understand this in order to deal with the demons.

DEFILING THE TEMPLE

How is the temple of YHUUH defiled? Do you recall how angry Yahusha became when He entered the Temple and saw it "defiled" by those buying and selling, and by the unjust money changers. **The things of the world had been brought into the Temple. That's how it is defiled today, when we invite things of the world into our lives. This also becomes an invitation for demon spirits to inhabit the temple! Like rats are attracted to garbage, when our life has unconfessed sin, unbroken curses or un-forgiveness, the demons come, and they defile the temple.**

They must be "driven" out. They cannot be medicated out, nor counseled out. Neither can they be removed by you "willing" them to be gone or studying some more. All Bible based activity is helpful in keeping the demons somewhat "in check", but to be rid of them, they must be "cast out-expelled". They must be driven out in the Name of Yahusha The Messiah! Yahusha said, "In My Name CAST out devils."

Can the temple be defiled? Absolutely! Just as Yahusha saw the Kadosh Temple of YHUUH defiled, He sees ours defiled by things we have permitted in our lives. **Now the lie we have believed is that once we have confessed our sin, the demons leave. . .not necessarily so. Repentance and confession of sin cancels the penalty of sin, but have the demons been commanded to leave? The "permission" of the demon spirit to be there has been cancelled but I have found they often do not leave until they are commanded to do so and commanded to go INTO the pit not merely to the pit. Notice that healing came only after the temple was cleansed!**

No sin could enter the Holy of Holies; it meant certain death to come into YHUUH's Holy Presence with sin in the life of the High Priest. **Just as sin could not enter the Holy of Holies, neither can demon spirits enter the spirit-ruach of a believer. The temple polluters that Yahusha chased from the temple were not in the Holy of Holies, but in the outer court. So you see demon possession, is not the issue. The Ruach Ha Kadosh possesses our spirit, He is the owner; we are purchased, redeemed, bought with a price. Defiling the temple involves the soul and the flesh. Our mind, our will, our emotions and our flesh. This is where the tormentors do their damage. A defiled temple is a troubled tormented person/temple! A troubled temple must be cleansed by the Adon Yahusha. "Cleansed" in this case is more than being forgiven. It is driving out the source of the defilement. How do we defend the temple? If demon spirits are present, we must determine their legal consent.**

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Consent must be from YHUUH or from our self. Demons could be present by permission of

generational sin of the forefathers and if that is the case then these spirits have legal consent to be there. Generational sin, or ancestral sin is legal consent given by YHUH according to Exodus 20:5 ". . . for I YHUH your Elohim am a zealous YHUH, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me." This is a scriptural principle or law, if you will. It is legal permission for evil spirits to pass from one generation to another. Remember it is not possession . . . **it is oppression-torment** *"and Yahusha went about doing tov, healing all those who were oppressed-tormented of the devil."*

Do they have consent to stay? That's the issue. Have you confessed the curse-breaking power of Yahusha The Messiah's Name over generational sin? Has anyone with YAH's authority commanded the spirits to leave? **Have you not only repented of un-forgiveness, anger, bitterness and similar sins, but have spirits that may have come by that doorway been commanded to leave by a firm, set apart and well rooted believer?**

It is important that you know! **My experience has been that evil spirits, generally, do not leave until they are commanded to leave. Repentance cancels their permission to be there, but they leave when they are commanded to leave. Yahusha drove out those who defiled the Temple with great authority. He has given us great authority over all the power of the enemy! Keeping the Temple cleansed is keeping doorways closed that allow them entrance.**

Read carefully this statement; **the presence of the Ruach Ha Kadosh does not keep demon spirits out, keeping doorways closed by the leadership of the Ruach Ha Kadosh does! Man has a choice to "quench" or to "grieve" the Ruach Ha Kadosh. The Ruach Ha Kadosh does not fight our battles, He leads and guides us, but our will is always honored.**