# Basic Demonology For Paranormal Investigators



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#### **Course Description:**

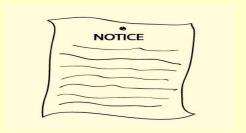
As paranormal investigators, we must have a basic understanding of the spiritual reality that lies behind the dark side of the paranormal and how to recognize demonic signatures in relation to both investigations and ontological concerns of those affected. This course presents a theological treatment of demonic entities and a practical approach to their methodology. Important and controversial theories are considered, the origin, nature and effects of evil upon individual lives are closely examined, allowing students to draw their own informed conclusions on demonic matters.

#### **Course Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Understand and define the key terms used in demonology.
- 2. Explain the theological perspective regarding demons, their incorporeal constitution, volition, work and objectives.
- 3. Articulate various views on the origin of demons.
- 4. Gain an understanding of the complexities involved with mental illness and demonic possession.
- 5. Effectively communicate the different sources of haunts and their respective resolutions.
- 6. Display and communicate a working knowledge of the progressive stages of a haunting and the corresponding three stages of demon possession.





This class does not prepare you to become a Demonologist, as this ministry requires a significant amount of in-depth knowledge not covered in this course.

To be a demonologist, one must:

- 1. Be a born-again Christian and called by God into this ministry.
- 2. There must be doors opened by God along with opportunities and relationships, evidencing God's orchestration.
- 3. Must have received training under a competent, qualified mentor/Demonologist.
- 4. Have understanding and support of family as they will also be adversely affected.
- 5. In complete submission to God.
- 6. Be on call 24/7.
- 7. Be appointed/sanctioned by the local church.
- 8. Be a lifelong student of Demonology.

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## Part I Theological Considerations

#### **Introduction to Angelology**

Demonology is theological to the core – not paranormal. To treat the topic of demonology, its origin, truths and spiritual realities, one must consult the Scriptures, and do so with much care as the content therein speaks of things eternal. The knowledge of the Word of God gives no place to substitutes as it is the very Word of the one true living God, the Creator and Sustainer of creation. God's Word is the final authority by which all things are measured. Any dependence upon one's natural thinking or upon human opinion, leads to disastrous consequences. Scripture deals with the supernatural...things that transcend both time and space. To penetrate the supernatural realm, he or she must understand divine revelation.

There is an order of celestial beings quite distinct from humanity and from the Godhead who occupy an exalted estate above the present position of fallen man according to divine revelation. These beings are mentioned at least 108 times in the Old Testament and 165 times in the New Testament. They are in 34 books of the Bible and interesting enough, they are mentioned in 17 Old Testament books and 17 New Testament books. The presence of spirit beings has been recognized in almost all systems of religion.

The study of angelology precedes the study of demonology in a formal course of study. I believe this is necessary in that demons are appropriately dealt with in theological terms. In order to have a better understanding of demonic entities, a rudimentary understanding of angels in regards to nature, classification, origin and work is necessary. The designation *angel* (OT Heb: *mal'ak* or NT GK *aggelos*) means "messenger," is expressive of their service or office. These beings execute the purpose of the One whom they serve. The holy or elect angels are the messengers of their Creator while the fallen angels are messengers of Satan, whom they elect to serve and are styled as demons.

Reason enables us to conclude that since God is spirit (John 4:24), in no way partaking of material elements, we can assume these created beings more closely resemble God than do us as there is an angel or spirit kingdom. In their ordinary form, they are without physical bodies (Heb. 1:13-14 - cf. Eph. 6:12). Though they more closely resemble God, it is imperative to remember that they were not created in the image of God, thereby, not participating in the redemption of man. Five times within the Old Testament, we read "Sons of God." Each of these five occasions to make reference to these supernatural beings (Gen. 6:2,4; Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7).

Angelic existence antedates man's creation. Angels were spoken into existence *en mass* each possessing free will, greater power than man (Mt 28:2, Acts 5:19, 2 Pet 2:11) and are innumerable. They are not subject to death or any form of extinction; therefore, they do not decrease neither do they increase in number. They are not self-existent and depend upon their Creator as does man (Ps. 148:2,5 - cf. Neh. 9:6; Col. 1:16). Angels are direct creations of God, standing in immediate and personal relation to the Creator.

In regards to the endowment of freewill, we must give due consideration to the angelic participation in the moral problem. Angels can choose God's grace, love and purpose or they can reject it. Rejection or rebellion is why demonic entities exist. The idea that humankind will one day will be exalted above all angels was unacceptable to a certain of these spiritual entities. This rejection of God's plan infected the cosmos of fallen angels that refuses to serve mankind.



#### **Classification of Angels**

There are different classes of angels namely the Cherubim, Seraphim and living creatures. I believe the latter classification is of an inclusive nature rather than one of a distinctive nature. According to Lewis S. Chafer, "The living creatures is a title which represents these angels as manifesting the fullness of divine life, unceasing activity and abiding participation in the worship of God." The Cherubim are mentioned in Gen. 3:24; II Kings 19:15; Ezek. 10:1-20 and 28:14-16. The etymology for the classification "Cherubim" is unknown; however, Scripture indicates that they are chiefly the guardians of the Throne of God. It is thought that Satan may have been one of these particular angels before he fell (Ezek. 28:14-16). A Cherubim may also be found as one of the "living beings" in the book of Revelation. The Seraphim are distinct from the Cherubim and are mentioned by name once (Isa.6: 2,6). They lead heaven in the worship of God Almighty and purify God's servants for acceptable worship and service. Seraphim are also known as the "burning ones."

As a matter of divine relation, we know Archangels exist. Gabriel is one of three angels specifically mentioned in the Bible. The other two angels mentioned are Michael and Lucifer. The name Gabriel means the mighty one of God. Michael is called Archangel (Jude 9) and he is considered a great prince in Dan 12:1. Of course, there are other Archangels as well. Scripture clearly demonstrates that there is a classification or hierarchy of angelic beings.

Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274), Dominican friar and priest, an immensely influential philosopher and theologian explained that there were three main hierarchies. They are:

The Highest hierarchy - Seraphim, Cherubim, Thrones

The Middle hierarchy - Dominations, Virtues, Powers

The Lowest hierarchy - Principalities, Archangels, Angels

Ranks of Angels

The Apostle Paul, according to Archbishop James Long, explains that there are four kinds of angels that rebelled against God and they are:

*Principalities* - these are considered the highest rank in Satanic kingdom and they are the chief rulers (Col 2:10, Eph 1:21; 6:12)

Authorities - these angels have received their powers from Satan and do his bidding (Eph 1:21; 6:12; Col. 2:10)

Rulers of Darkness - they are the spirit world rulers who assist the plans of Satan in the world (Dan 10:13-21); Eph 1-21; 612; Col 1:16-18)

Spiritually wicked spirits - existing within Satan's kingdom (Eph 1:21; 6:21; Col 1:16-18)

Just as the above holy Angels have been classified, fallen angels and/or demons has been done likewise by various people throughout the ages. We will look at only one. A Spanish Franciscan Catholic Bishop, Alphonse De Spina, a man of great learning, authored several works including the "Fortalitium" and "The Complete Book of Devils and Demons." During 1457, De Spina composed the "Ten Classifications/ Species of Demons."

- Fates, who alter destiny
- Poltergeists, who cause mischief
- Incubi and Succubi, who stimulate lust and perversion
- Marching Hordes, who bring about war
- Familiars, who assist witches
- Nightmares, who disturb sleep through bad dreams
- Demons formed from Human Semen
- Disguised Demons
- Demons who Assail the Saintly
- Demons who Instigate Witchcraft

#### The Existence of Satan

In scripture, there are seven Old Testament books that refer to Satan and every New Testament writer referred to Satan. The written revelation took place over the period of 1,600 years, yet, all the authors are aware of his existence. "The devil's greatest feat has been making most of the world believe that he doesn't exist," as commonly quoted in many circles. Scripture tells us that Satan is a spiritual creature gifted with intelligence and will. There are contemporary theologians who identify Satan with the abstract idea of evil. The Bible and the Fathers contrast this. One of the more liberal theologians argues that Satan is an archetypal reality or a presence or even experienced within. Walter Wink writes, "Satan is the real interiority of a society that idolatrously pursues its own enhancement as the highest good." He further says that one should make a distinction between the theological term "Satan "and archetypal images. Countering Wink's position, however, are the expressions of Christian thought about Satan that were made by the earliest of the Church Fathers Irenaeus and Justin preceding such expressions from other Fathers such as Origen and Tertullian. St. Jerome believed in the literal person of Satan and incorporated the interpretation of Lucifer as Satan into his fourth century Latin Vulgate. Christ refers to Satan 25 times in the New Testament.

#### Lucifer's Creation

Satan was created perfect in wisdom and beauty, "Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the King of Tyrus, and say unto him, THUS saith the LORD God; Thou sealest up the sun, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty (Ezek. 28:12). He was sinless in conduct: "Thou was perfect in thy ways from the day thou was created, till iniquity was found in thee (Ezek. 28:15). Lucifer was set upon the mountain as director of worship: "Thou art the anointed Cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so; thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire" (Ezek. 28:14).

The King of Tire (v. 11-10) seems to refer to a monarch, but in truth, reference is made to a supernatural personage couched in oriental imagery. Lucifer - person of great beauty, brightness and exaltation in position and honor - fell from the pride of his superiority and that of seeking worship due God. No such terminology, as used in Ezekiel, could not apply to fallen man. No King of Tyre could answer to this exalted description. Though this message is to the King of Tyre, it is evident that God is speaking directly to the evil personality of Satan that inspired this king. His place on the holy mountain of

God was walking up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. It appears that Lucifer was the administrator of these treasures with dispensatory obligations for the same in the beautification of things. Stones of fire are a clear reference to these gems. In addition, God could not be referring to a human king in that all men, since the fall, have been conceived in sin. Lucifer was the epitome of wisdom and beauty and the wisest of all God's created beings. Referred to by use of precious stones, gemstones having no light of its own - beauty not within the self. God created him with the capacity to reflect the glory of God to a much greater degree than any other angels - he reflected God's beauty (Shining One, the light bearer).

Satan's evil character is clothed with ambitious pride and untruth as manifested in both his character and his work. In personality and character, Satan is the embodiment and expression of evil. There is no other angel to whom so much Scriptural attention as have Lucifer. Satan was a murderer from the beginning because of his influence upon both the angelic realm and that of man. He seduced men, which subjected them to death. Lucifer's will was without any proper being of his own as he denied the Source of all being.

#### The Personality of Satan

This and the following section is taken from a demonology course developed and taught by Archbishop James Long as its conciseness is on target for the scope of this course.

Devil means "slanderer, defamer, one who accuses falsely." As we read in Genesis, Genesis 3 refers to Satan as the serpent. We also read in scripture that Satan, on many occasions, tries to challenge the faith of many. Christ refers to Satan 25 times in the New Testament.

In Eph. 6, it is quite clear that Satan is intellectual and he is quite deceptive. He has the ability to deceive people and he is incredibly successful at doing so.

He does have knowledge of scripture, he is able to manipulate this knowledge, and he utilizes his intellect to confuse the believers (Matt. 4: 5-6)

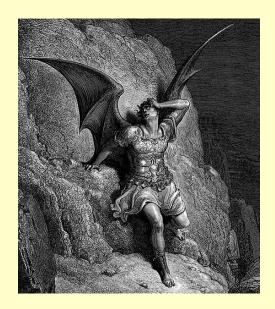
It is also quite clear in Isaiah that he wishes to be like God and even exceed God and His power and scripture points that out in Isaiah 14: 13-14. Furthermore, we see in scripture Satan even tries to tempt Christ on several occasions but fails in the end.

Satan can appear as a beautiful, innocent creature or a ghostly being whose main mission is to cause havoc and pain on all those with whom he comes in contact with.

#### The Names of Satan

Believers are fully aware that Satan has been referred by many names. Although this is not a bible class, I feel that it is important to learn that names of Satan listed in scripture. They are as follows:

Liar	John 8:44
Accuser	Rev 12:
Enemy	Matt 13:28
Tempter	
Prince of the power	
Ruler of this world	Jn 12:31
God of this world	2 Cor 4:4
Beelzebul	Matt12:24
Adversary	1 Pet 5:8
Abaddon	Rev 9:11
Serpent of old	Rev12:9
Great red dragon	
Evil One	Jn 17:15
Devil	Matt 4:1
Satan	Matt 4:10



#### The Origin of Demons

Demonology, in its broadest sense, is the study of demons or fallen angels. Due to their demonic nature, fallen angels are called demons in the traditional sense. Many theologians treat the topic of demonic entities very broadly, i.e. the terms "demon" and fallen angles are used interchangeably. A great number of theologians are of the school of thought that embraces the idea that fallen angels and demons are one in the same. There are four basic theories or schools of thought regarding the origins of demons. The remaining three:

The identification of demons is philosophically diverse. Some theorize that demons are the souls of evil men. Although this theory has a heathenistic underpinning, some early Christian writers were advocates of the same. Josephus held this theory to be the orthodox Jewish opinion that demons were the spirits of the wicked dead. Justin Martyr, Irenaeus, Tetullian, Origen, and Augustine regarded demons as the souls or spirits of the unsanctified dead. Philo also espoused this view.

Others regard demons as the disembodied spirits of a pre-Adamic race. The so-called pre-Adamic race is a source of controversy among scholars. The GAP theory is predicated upon an indeterminable period of time filling in the gap between Genesis 1:1 and 1:2, thus the period in question giving way to the notion of a "pre-Adamic race or creation." Proponents of this theory seem to be divided into those who believe that the pre-existent race were composed of human beings and those who believe that the pre-existent race were the angels under the rule of Lucifer. There is no scriptural evidence supporting this view.

We will style the third theory as the angel theory. This theory teaches that demons are the disembodied spirits of the Nephilim (half human – half angel). This school of thought advances the ancient doctrine that demons are the disembodied spirits of the progeny between fallen angels and antediluvian women. This position has in its favor an explanation pertaining to the propensity of these entities to seek re-embodiment as opposed to fallen angels who are spiritually clothed. Its proponents believe this theory is probable based upon its contextual, grammatical and historical foundations. The offspring of fallen angels and human women, the Nephilim, are mentioned in chapter six of Genesis. They were destroyed in the flood, yet their spirits remain on the earth. This view is the oldest belief among the Jewish people. It is a belief that the apostles held to as well. The non-canonical book of Enoch that speak of these Watchers was

quoted in the New Testament by Christ himself. Enoch teaches that the "sons of God mentioned in Genesis 6:2 were fallen angels.

The title "sons of God" is restricted in Old Testament usage to that of angels thus the justification of this angelic identity to provide the very foundation upon which this position is built. That the "sons of God" are angels has had its difficulties and therefore denied by scholarship from the time of the Church Fathers. This scholarship includes the works of Cyril of Alexandria, Theodoret, Chrysostom, and in modern times by Matthew Henry, Scofield, Keil and Brown. These scholars hold the view that the "sons of God" are godly Sethites, and the "daughters of men" ungodly Canaanites who intermarried.

Note - More important to our work than one's position he or she holds regarding the origin of demons, is the fact of their existence.



#### **Characteristics of Demons**

Merriam-Webster defines "characteristic" as a special quality or trait that makes a person, thing, or group different from others. Let us talk about human character traits for a minute. Character traits are all the aspects of a person's behavior and attitudes that make up that person's personality. Everyone has character traits, both good and bad. You can learn a lot about a person and their character traits by watching how they interact with the world and paying attention to how they treat you and interact with you. Both Scripture and observation are primary sources from which we are able to identify the characteristics of demons. Although these characteristics are numerous, we will highlight only a few. Demons can:

- *Inflict both pain and suffering* Not only can a victim suffer, their respective families can also.
- *Influence one's mind* Probably the most used tool in a demon's toolbox is that of deception. Motives for influence include hindering God's purpose for humanity and to extend Satan's authority.
- Seek embodiment (Matt. 12:43; Mark 5:12). It seems that their power is in some measure is dependent upon embodiment.
- *Cause disease, disorders and afflictions:* (Be careful not to assign blame in all instances.)
  - A. Dumbness (Matt. 9:32-33)
  - B. Blindness (Matt. 12:22)
  - *C. Insanity* (Luke 8:26-35)
  - *D. Suffering and deformities* (Luke 13:11-17)
- And always deceive

In regards to influence, Bishop James Long writes, "One of the most dangerous things that demonic entities can do is influence the mind...will play havoc on the human mind. Demonic entities will cause you to sin, isolate yourself from your family and friends, manipulate your emotions and even cause you to think about things that you would ordinarily never consider."

Deception is a constant with the demonic. They manipulate, engender false beliefs and promise things both material and immaterial. Taking Satan up on his promises involves what I call the principle of compensation. These promises are fulfilled at a horrific cost, and, save divine intervention, he will collect. Demonic subjugation begins with one giving his or her soul to Satan in exchange for fortune, fame, security, a particular outcome, etc., thus giving Satan permission to control his or her life. Selling one's soul to the devil is not without consequences. Let us consider something a bit less dramatic on the surface. If a person were to agree to and receive healing through a demonic source, Satan will grant that physical healing, but transfer the "illness or disorder" to the psychic realm. Now this person will be much, much worse off than having the physical aliment alone. Remember, demons are wicked, unclean and vicious (Matt. 8:28; Matt.10:1).

#### PART I EXAMINATION

- 1. How many times are angels mentioned in the Old Testament and New Testament respectably?
- 2. The presence of spirit beings is recognized in almost all systems of religion. True or False
- 3. The designation angel means what?
- 4. Are angels created in the image of God? Explain.
- 5. Fallen angels can participate in the redemption of man since they were created an exalted estate above the present position of fallen man? True or False
- 6. The Old Testament makes reference to Sons of God how many times and to whom or what are they referring?
- 7. Angels were created a various times during eternity past when God felt the need to increase number of these beings. True or False
- 8. Write a paragraph explaining why demonic entities exist.
- 9. All angels are created the same. True or False
- 10. Name three classes of angels and their respective roles/offices.
- 11. List Old Testament scriptures referencing the Cherubim.
- 12. Which classification of angels guards the throne of God?
- 13. Most scholars and commentators believe that Satan was a Seraphim before he fell. True or False
- 14. Seraphim do what and are also known as what?
- 15. Which angels are specifically mentioned in the Bible?
- 16. Who is the great prince in Daniel 12:1?
- 17. What theologian explained that there were three main hierarchies of angels?
- 18. Archangels are placed within the highest hierarchy penned by above theologian. True or False

- 19. Name the four kinds of angels that the Apostle Paul said rebelled against God.
- 20. Catholic Bishop, Alphonse De Spina, believed there were eight classifications/species of demons. True or False
- 21. How many New Testament writers referred to Satan?
- 22. What is the devil's greatest feat?
- 23. After many successful years of developing and perfecting systematic theology, all scholars now agree that Satan is a literal being. True or False Explain.
- 24. Did our early church fathers believe in the literal person of Satan?
- 25. How many times did Christ reference Satan in the New Testament?
- 26. In the book of Ezekiel was God speaking to the King of Tyrus or to a supernatural personage couched in oriental imagery?
- 27. God created Lucifer with the capacity to reflect his own light from within.. True or False
- 28. In Genesis 3 Satan is referred to as what?
- 29. In the book of Isaiah Lucifer is pictured as wanting to be like whom?
- 30. Satan is the embodiment and expression of evil. True or False
- 31. Satan is referred to by many names. List five of them.
- 32. Demonology is the study of what?
- 33. How many basic theories are there is regards to the origin of demons?
- 34. The idea that demonic entities are the disembodied spirits of a pre-adamic race has in its favor a considerable amount of scriptural support. True or false.
- 35. The disembodied spirits from the offspring of women and fallen angels are known as the what?
- 36. What non-canonical book was quoted by Christ in the New Testament?
- 37. Is it possible that the souls of evil men are demons? Explain.
- 38. Write three paragraphs explaining the position you hold and why.

- 39. List three characteristics of demons.
- 40. All diseases, disorders and afflictions are caused by demonic entities. True or False
- 41. Demons always deceive. True or False
- 42. Can demonic entities isolate you from family and friends?
- 43. Demons are known to cause pain but not suffering. True or False
- 44. Explain the principle of compensation in one brief paragraph.
- 45. Explain demonic subjugation in one brief paragraph.

### Part II Hauntings

#### Hauntings

When one normally thinks about hauntings his or her initial thoughts is that of ghosts or spirits of those who have passed either been seen or causing a disturbance. Human spirits are not the only cause of hauntings and an investigator should be able to quickly distinguish between this type of haunting from those of other sources. We will touch upon four different types of hauntings.

#### Residual Haunting

Before we discuss what a residual haunting is, let me say that I am not a demonologist who believes all such haunts are demonic deceptions, concealing the true nature of those haunts. I believe a majority of these haunts are just that – residual haunting/playbacks – regardless of scientific rationale believed such as released energy imprinting the environment or the string theory.

The consensus within the paranormal community is that residual haunts are non-interactive in nature and are the most prevalent of four types of haunts. This type of haunt is often validated by data gathered from the research on the property where the residual haunt is taking place. It is believed that when a traumatic or emotionally charged event occurs in the lives of the living, it can be imprinted on the environment. Certain geological features like the presence of water, limestone and other stone features seem to hold images of past events. The residual ghost is seen performing the same tasks, walking the same path or singing the same song at regular intervals. The characteristic person searching for a lost love or walking passively through the area they inhabited when alive is almost certainly a residual ghost. They repeat the same pattern whether you are present or not. You cannot interact with a residual ghost because it is not aware of your presence. In fact, the residual ghost is not present at all and is simply an image of a past event.

As for this type of haunting being a demonic in nature, Demonologist David Scott of the North American Demonic Paranormal wrote an article entitled "Territorial Demon (s)" explaining a class of demon that knows the entire history of a property, who has lived there and the events that have taken place there. Scott links territorial demons with a number of residual hauntings, to wit:

"Therefore, if a paranormal team is called in to help the family or person, the demon could simply re-enact past events that happened on the property. When this is done, 9 out of 10 teams will automatically assume it is a residual haunt once they have done any research on that property. If the team chooses to believe that possibility then they will most likely tell the client that there is nothing to fear or worry about as the activity is 'harmless'." In complete agreement with Scott, I believe some residual hauntings are wrapped in a cloak of deception, concealing the true nature that haunt.

#### **Human Haunting**

As a biblical demonologist, I am often asked if I believe disembodied human spirits reside within our realm. Much to their surprise or dismay, I answer with a resounding yes. It is here where many biblical demonologists of the Protestant persuasion and I part ways as the majority of them emphatically believe all haunts are demonic in nature. As I was growing in the faith, I believed the same way, however, after a few years of actually being in the field I learned differently. It is beyond the scope of this course to discuss to a respectful degree how this is possible, but I want to give you a few basic facts concerning human hauntings in relation to identification and their purpose for being here.

Our immaterial constitution (soul/spirit) is that breath of life that is not subject to death – it is indestructible. It is an impartation of the divine. Our soul is indivisible although it is comprised of mind, will, emotion and heart... this is how we are made in the image and likeness of God. Physical death is the gate through which we pass into the spirit realm. For reasons not revealed in the canonical books of the Bible I study, I have encountered human spirits which deviate from the Biblical cosmology I have been taught. Not everything has been revealed to us by the written word. God has deemed such information unimportant in living out our lives in Christ, and some things, for our own good.

Human/intelligent spirits are sometimes referred to as earthbound spirits, capable of interacting with us. As alluded to in the previous paragraph, no one knows for sure why the spirit of some people remains on earth, but some paranormal investigators and researchers believe that the person has unfinished business to complete or is unaware that he has died. In some cases, it appears the spirit lingers simply because it chooses not to pass on to the next realm. Intelligent ghosts may attempt to communicate with you by making sounds or moving objects. It may appear as an apparition that resembles

the human form or appear as a mist. This ghost may react to your activities, respond to requests, or give direct responses to asked questions through non-passive EVP sessions.

My mentor taught me a few basic ways he discovered by way of primary research to detect a human spirit, after the natural has been ruled out first, of course. Presented in question form, they are:

- 1. Are you experiencing unexplained cold spots?
- 2. Are you experiencing the scent that is related to the person who passed away?
- 3. Does your body respond? Do you have the goose bumps and electric energy feeling? I find this to be true in nearly every case I've been involved in involving human entities [mine].
- 4. How do animals react? Normally animals aren't frighten of human spirits. In fact, they may even go towards the spirit.
  - 5. Are you noticing anything in your peripheral vision?
- 6. I want to add the question "Are you getting any EMF readings on meter?" Already mentioned, are you receiving direct responses to questions during an EVP session? Note you may not get a response initially [mine].

There are many other ways to detect a human spirit within the home, a business or on a property. In the previous lesson, we learned a few things that demons are capable of doing and we will go more in depth later in the course. Just as demonic entities have capabilities, human spirits do also.

What are Human Spirits capable of doing?

- 1. Human Spirits, as a rule, can only move light or moderately heavy objects, as they cannot manifest the necessary energy to do so.
- 2. The usual premise for moving objects is to let you know that they are present. This intention extends to turning on radios, TV's, and other electrical appliances alerting you to their presence.
- 3. Malevolent human spirits have intentions other that alerting one to their presence, such as wishing harm upon owners for a variety of reasons.
- 4. A Human spirit can have emotional effects on the living and can affect their dream state.

There have been cases in which human spirits have attached or even possessed the body for the sole purpose of communication. The demonologist, an investigator and the property owner must discern and understand the intent of the human spirit. By understanding the intent, it becomes much easier to understand the reasoning behind the haunting and determining a resolution.

Understanding intent is imperative as you can also encounter a malevolent human spirit with evil intentions, wishing harm on the owners for a sundry of reasons, causing emotional distress. If the family takes ownership and demands all activity to cease and the spirit in question refuses to comply, it becomes obvious that intent, on the part of the activity, is malevolent. In a case like this, a home cleansing is needed.

Primary research has shown me that human spirits can manipulate radio and/or sound waves, creating EVPs both recorded and in real time. Exactly how they can accomplish this remains a mystery. I have been on investigations when batteries to my equipment drained on the spot for no logical reason. It is said that spirits need energy to manifest and batteries are a source from which energy is drawn. Human spirits can also manipulate electronic equipment and a structure's electrical system.

#### Poltergeist Hauntings

Poltergeist is German for "noisy ghost," but demonologists, investigators and clergy have learned that this type haunting deals with energy – not intelligent spirit beings human or inhuman. This type haunting can be extremely terrifying and mistaken for a demonic haunting. Its sudden onset marked by knocks, bangs, moving furniture, objects being thrown, manifestation of voices and apparitions and fires make this a violent haunting with the potential for much damage. Fire is the number one danger of poltergeist haunts. There are two common reasons as to why poltergeist activity takes place: extreme emotional distress within the family or a teen going through puberty.

It is important to understand that poltergeist activity is normally contingent upon either extreme emotional stress or one going through puberty, demonic activity is not – it does not care. Whereas poltergeist activity is omitted from one undergoing stress, a demonic haunting comes from an inhuman entity. A poltergeist haunting/activity "centers around" or is present/active in the presence of the person omitting the negative energy. I alluded to the fact that poltergeist hauntings have sudden onsets and I would like add that they eventually peter out. In contrast, a demonic haunt begins subtly and increases in intensity.

There are factors the investigator should look for. Since poltergeist activity is a psychic effect rather than a spirit-based one, the investigator should try to determine whom the agent is - the person who is generating the telekinetic activity. Various kinds of stresses can be the cause of this activity, including emotional, physical, psychological, and even hormonal stresses, and so the investigator should try to examine the personal and family dynamics and very well might need to seek the help of therapists or counselors.

This is an extremely rare haunting and it is probable that many paranormal teams may never encounter this type haunt. Clergy is normally not needed immediately in a poltergeist case as performing the Minor Rite of Exorcism will do next to nothing in eliminating poltergeist activity. If collected evidence points to a poltergeist "haunting," suggest counseling and/or stress management after having assured family that haunting is not caused by a paranormal or demonic entity. In the case of a teen, have parent or guardian ensure teen he or she is not alone and various other things. Anxiety reduction, conflict resolution, stress management and/or counseling will act as a "cleansing" of sorts.

**Caveat:** Demons can present themselves as poltergeists. Demons like their leader are deceptive...deception is their primary game. If they can have one believe that the haunting is a poltergeist haunting, it can remain on the property longer...good strategy in confusing one on the true nature of a haunting so that the resolution of the same cannot be reached.

Keep the following in mind when distinguishing between a demonic and a poltergeist haunt:

- 1. Demonic haunts are normally marked by foul odors with no discernable source (rotten meat/sulfur), Trinity knocks, animals afraid or disturbed by a presence, a sense of dread and/or doom, religious objects destroyed or desecrated, oppressive feelings, seeing entities/shadows, growling sounds, physical, emotional and spiritual assaults, etc. This activity comes from a demonic entity as opposed to poltergeist activity omitting from a living person/agent.
- 2. Case histories show that demonic hauntings often start out with subtle paranormal activity then quickly increase to stronger activity...subtle beginning picking up steam as time passes and opposed to poltergeist activity that starts out abruptly and can end the same way or peter out with time.
- 3. Determine who the agent is if evidence points to a poltergeist haunting. The agent is the person who is generating the telekinetic activity.

#### **Shadow People Hauntings**

You might be wondering why I am putting shadow people in a category of its own when demonologists such as myself believe that these entities are in all probability another face of the demonic. Opinions vary as to the identity of these beings. Some believe these entities are inter-dimensional beings that slip into our realm on occasion, but live primarily in another dimension or another time. Others believe they are departed human spirits while some feel that they are demonic beings. While I am not forcing anyone to accept my opinion, it is my desire that you think through during the following and draw your own conclusion.

The vast majority of paranormal researchers subscribes to ghost theory logic and attempt to validate the same by using the scientific method. Objectivity is completely lost as the average paranormal investigator or ghost hunter supposes a human soul, the condition or state of affairs to require or imply as an antecedent condition. In other words, there is a context through which collected data is interpreted... a context given so much weight, the probability of such an entity being something than a disembodied human being such as an inter-dimensional being, or perhaps a demon is extremely low or ruled out.

Our view of reality is the lens through which we interpret and live life. Whether you believe in God or not, we can all agree that good and evil are not abstract ideas or concepts. The Bible teaches that God created angels en masse before He created man. The universe was first populated by spirit beings... beings that were never human. Certain of the angels fell from grace and oppose their Creator in both word and in deed. Just as there are good and evil people, there are good and evil spirit beings. Acknowledging the existence of evil spirit beings is a vital part of the equation.

Serious investigators seek the approval of the scientific community by unwavering faith in the scientific method. The scientific method alone has proven to be insufficient for interpreting paranormal data. This route for legitimacy dismisses a key aspect of the spirit world - unseen spirit beings that were never human. Science is not, across the board, as honest as many make it out to be. The integrity of the required presupposition of honesty on reporting data is compromised as many scientists have a personal bias against a providential God who is actively involved with His creation. With this being the case, the scientific method collapses. We run the risk of being overly simplistic here as going into ethical, metaphysical and epistemological presuppositions of the researcher are outside the scope of this lesson. That said the corpus of paranormal evidence is quite extensive. I have collected a substantial amount

over the years, and my experience has taught me that no amount of scientific evidence rules out what I have learned about the nature of shadow beings.

Who or what are shadow people then? Are these beings inter-dimensional time travelers although there is no evidence to support the reality of the same. Are they the souls of the departed. The late Ed Warren, famous religious demonologist, said that these entities are seen as restless self-absorbed loners. Humans, in contrast, are relational beings created in the image of a relational God. Although of no significant value to this lesson, I may, in the future, entertain the hypothesis that shadow people are maybe those who have given themselves over to Satan while awaiting judgment although there is very little if anything to go on. This will require a significant amount of primary research on my part.

Let us talk about ghost theory logic and turn upon its head one of the paranormal community's basic principle: character and personality continuum. Here on out, I refer to the wisdom and research of an ordained minister, Mark Hunnemann, who had a supernatural experience from which he sought answers. There is no continuity associated with shadow people. If disembodied souls (shadow people) are the pure essence of a human being, what happened to the character and personality traits of these so-called deceased humans who live like shadow figures? Discontinuity raises a red flag as to the nature and identity of these entities. Why do they furtively move from shadow to shadow to avoid detection?

If you have ever been in the presence of a shadow person, you know they ooze with spiritual un-wellness and nakedness and are obviously slaves to furtive behavior. What is it that these figures are trying to hide? In life furtive behavior is a byproduct of fear, and fear is the dominate emotion expressed by these entities. Hunnemann strongly believes that shadow people are demons, Satan's foot soldiers and observers of humanity.

These entities, although varying in height, look and act the same. There is no diversity in character or personality... no essence of a person. There should be no loss of our vital aspects of consciousness while in a disembodied state according to ghost theory logic. Investigators explain away this loss with the notion of disorientation in the spirit world, thus the need for an adjustment period to overcome the loss of these vital aspects of consciousness. Explanations like this are concrete evidence of one dismissing the biblical worldview not only to accommodate the scientific method but to support personal presuppositions as well.

It does appear that fear animates shadow people. They are like cockroaches when exposed to light. Shine a flashlight on one and watch what happens. It will scurry away as fast as its hooves will take it. This nakedness, I believe, has everything to do with a complete lack of holiness. Apart from fear, their emotional makeup is apparently limited to two other emotions – anger and rage. These figures erupt with unpredictable acts of anger and rage as the data shows. They obviously possess both intelligence and will.

Such entities can bite, slap; punch, throw and scratch people and kill animals. I have been attacked myself as attested to by my wife. Shadow people display the demonic trait of missing eyes or having glowing red eyes. Shadow figures illicit feelings of dread and fear toward those who are in their presence. Profoundly noticeable are a lack of peace and/or spiritual sense of life with these entities. "Their apparent fixation on the present (content of communication seemly fixed in the present)" writes Hunneman, "implies no hope in the future... quite possibly an indicator of an acute awareness of impending judgment (Matthew 8:29)." Hunnerman further writes," the nature of shadow people, Satan's foot soldiers, is a revealing expose on their rebellion."

I will not be including demonic haunts in this lesson as we need to treat this topic in detail. We will closely examine the causes and stages of this type of haunting in Part III.



#### PART II EXAMINATION

- 1. Write a summary paragraph on residual hauntings.
- 2. Can a residual haunting be a deceptive front for a haunting that is demonic in nature? Explain.
- 3. A residual ghost is aware of itself and its surroundings. True or False
- 4. Our soul or spirit dies along with our physical bodies. True or False
- 5. List three (3) reasons why human spirits may be earthbound.
- 6. Write a summary paragraph explaining various ways human spirits communicate with the living.
- 7. What are five (5) ways to detect the presence of a human spirit.
- 8. All human spirit hauntings are benevolent in nature. True or False
- 9. Why is determining and understanding the human spirit's intent important?
- 10. Poltergeist is German for what?
- 11. Because this type of haunting is rare, they are relatively benign and therefore easily distinguishable from demonic haunts. True or False
- 12. What is the number one danger of poltergeist haunts?
- 13. Are poltergeist haunts caused by intelligent entities or by energy?
- 14. What are two primary causes of poltergeist activity?
- 15. List a few examples of poltergeist activity.
- 16. The person whom the activity centers is called what?
- 17. How would a demonologist or clergy member cleanse a property of this type of haunting? Give a detailed explanation.
- 18. Can the demonic present themselves as poltergeists? If so, why?
- 19. How do poltergeist hauntings start out and end?

- 20. We definitely know that shadow people are souls of the departed. True or False
- 21. If shadow people are observers, they are unable to physically touch us. True or False
- 22. The late Ed Warren, famous religious demonologist, said that these entities are seen as as what?
- 23. Shadow people ooze with spiritual un-wellness and \_\_\_\_\_ and are obvious slaves to \_\_\_\_\_ behavior.
- 24. According to Mark Hunnemann, shadow people are what type of entity?
- 25. Do shadow people have character and personality traits of a soul?
- 26. In what ways do shadow people attack humans and animals?
- 27. Write four (4) paragraphs telling me what you think shadow people are.

## PART III DEMONOLOGY



Demonology is the systematic study of demons or beliefs about demons.[1] It is the branch of theology relating to supernatural beings who are not gods.[2] It deals both with benevolent beings that have no circle of worshippers or so limited a circle as to be below the rank of gods, and with malevolent beings of all kinds.



#### PATH TO POSSESSION

I recently read an article on AlterNet entitled *Almost Two-Thirds of 18-29 Year Olds Believe in "Demon Possession" What Is Happening to America?* authored by Bruce Wilson. While Americans are becoming less religious and church memberships are declining, there is a growing belief in demon possession. While only 44% of Americans over 65 years of age surveyed by Public Policy Polling believed in demon possession, 57% of Americans 47-65 did and, among the youngest group surveyed, Americans 18-29, 63% believed in demon possession. 63% of young Americans believe that invisible, non-corporeal entities called "demons" can take partial or total control of human beings, revealed an October 2012 PPP survey. The demographic trend line seems obvious. We must ask ourselves what is causing this increased belief in demonic possession.

There was an explosion of demonism during the First Advent the likes of which the world had never before seen, and Scripture predicts the rise of the same in the face of the coming Second Advent. Most religious demonologists agree that there was a significant rise of demonism during WWII. The Washington Times published an article entitled "Catholic Bishops: More Exorcists Needed," dated November 13, 2010, citing a shortage of priests who can perform the Rite of Exorcism. Dioceses nationwide have been relying solely on these specially trained clergy, but have been overwhelmed with requests to evaluate claims. Bishop Thomas Paprocki feels that one of the reasons for this increase could be the "growing interest among Americans in exploring general spirituality... which has led more people to dabble in the occult." Having asked ourselves in the previous paragraph what is causing an increase belief in demon possession, we can conclude that possession is on the rise by increasing number of requests for evaluation and the nearing second advent.

Demonic possession is a process comprised of three (3) steps:

- 1. Infestation
- 2. Oppression
- 3. Possession

These three steps also serve as stages of a demonic haunt. Progression is not dependent upon time, but rather how quickly a person's intellect, will and faith is shattered thereby allowing greater control by entity. The end goal of a demonic haunt is possession and the end goal of possession is the suicide of the victim. From this

established pattern, we can see that demonic possession is a process. This progression is for the expressed purpose of weakening and breaking one's will to facilitate possession.



#### **STAGE I - INFESTATION**

Paranormal investigators most commonly encounter this level or stage of activity. This affects houses, property, things and even animals. Broadly defined, infestation is characterized by a demonic presence within a structure or on a property and is considered "non-personal" whereas the remaining stages are. Roman Catholics consider this level of influence to be extraordinary activity. Usually a door has been opened by someone's action and will. This is also known as the invitational process. Religious Demonologist Adam Blai defines infestation as follows:

Demonic infestation is when demonic entities try to either scare with typical "ghost" tricks or entice with spirit communication and eliciting sympathy. The infestation is usually a result of some kind of invitation, either by the current residents or a previous one, or from a curse or a spell cast by a practitioner of black magic. The goal of the infestation is to increase awareness of the spirit, increase interaction with it, and finally start to control the life of the victim, or victims. Once some amount of relationship is formed and additional free rights have been given the infestation turns mean, violent, and controlling.

This stage is contingent, for the most part, upon one's exercise of volition although opening a door may have been unintentional. Here are a few causes of demonic infestation:

- 1. The structure may have had a pre-existing haunting brought about by previous owners or tenants.
  - 2. Opening oneself up in using an Ouija Board.
  - 3. Provoking spirit entities during investigations or ghost hunts.
  - 4. Visiting a psychic to get a reading.
  - 5. Divination by various means.
  - 6. Habitual or gross sin.
  - 7. Pagan or Satanic rituals or casting spells or having spells cast on you.
  - 8. Satanic worship.
  - 9. Demonic subjugation.
  - 10. Drug or alcohol abuse.

Here is where many investigators get both themselves and their clients into trouble. Before writing the haunting off as a human haunt, there are a few things you must pay attention to in determining the actual source of haunting. Demonic haunts have less than desirable effects upon one's body and mind. You will feel an unmistakable and overwhelming energy present. Your 6<sup>th</sup> sense will alert you that something is not right, you will experience an overwhelming sense of dread, you may experience fear or feel like you are about to pass out. Some have reported difficulty breathing, acute nausea and confusion. These signs, according to Bishop Long, are clear indicators that an infestation is taking place.

#### SIGNS OF INFESTATION

Trained demonologists and experienced investigators know what signs to look for in a suspected infestation. The demonologist will conduct tests relative to a demonic presence. Since this course is not designed to train demonologists, these tests are omitted. This is for the protection of the investigator and homeowner if he or she takes it upon himself or herself to test the presence of a demonic entity. These tests are best taught by taking an on hands approach under a competent mentor. Here is an extensive list of signs to look for. A few of these signs will be discussed. The signs are:

- 1. Heavy objects are thrown and are usually used to attack targets
- 2. Knocking, banging or pounding in a series of 3's may be heard (Trinity knocks)
- 3. Religious objects are desecrated or destroyed.
- 4. Animals are very frightened and can become quite sick
- 5. Growling sounds with no discernable source heard throughout the house
- 6. Levitation of objects
- 7. Activity begins to start up when you say prayers
- 8. Foul, rotten odors without a source, e.g. human waste, rotten flesh or sulfur. These odors have a sickening effect.
- 9. Overwhelming, oppressive feeling within infested rooms. Many claim to experience acute nausea.
- 10. Havoc with finances, electrical or plumbing or structural integrity of property. Usually one's finances are strained or on the road to ruin before other problems surface.
- 11. Overwhelming sense of dread one intuitively knows that something is not right.
- 12. Swarming insects. In demonic cases, swarming flies are most common
- 13. Less than harmonious interaction between family members. They turn on each other.
- 14. The sound of footsteps on floors or stairs.

- 15. Disturbances in electronic equipment such as digital clocks going backwards, appliances or lights turning on and off.
- 16. Temperature differences in localized area. Extremely cold temperatures in certain rooms or areas regardless of outside temperatures.
- 17. Fluids appearing on walls or floors.
- 18. Black human figures that stand or move about.
- 19. Black clouds that look like smoke, moving about without dissipating.
- 20. Spiritual attacks are a possibility.
- 21. Sleep disturbances
- 22. Paranormal activity during prayer.
- 23. Physical attacks, e.g. scratching, hitting, pushing, biting, punching or being thrown.
- 24. Retaliation when clergy called in.
- 25. Light bulbs exploding.

Remember that during this stage demonic entities can impersonate deceased individuals in an attempt to entice with spirit communication and/or to elicit sympathy. Demonic mimicking of the human spirit is always flawed. Usually the eyes are missing, the face often distorted or a limb is missing. Sometimes the face can resemble a comic mask. They can also mimic the voice of a deceased loved one, but a flaw in the voice betrays the nature of the entity. The flaw is normally found in the pitch.

During an infestation, the following are possible:

- 1. Psychological Attacks The victim begins to think that he or she is crazy. One begins to hear and see things, hear the demonic actually speak to them and they begin to think things that they would normally never think.
- 3. Sexual Assaults Self-explanatory, but a detailed discussion of sexual demons is forthcoming in a subsequent lesson.

Please note that when you are dealing with physical, psychological and sexual attacks, the haunting can immediately progress into the second stage – oppression. This stage is the second stage to possession and is quite dangerous. It is here that the demonic attempts to destroy your will, faith and intellect are very personal. The demonic is now interacting with the victim. There is no set time limit on these stages.

#### Resolution

Resolution of demonic infestation generally involves these steps:

- 1. Educate client about the nature of demonic trickery. In every demonic case I have worked, this is the first step I take in clearing out an infestation.
- 2. Encourage them to have a close relationship with God and to attend a local church.
- 3. If client involved in the occult, help him or her to renounce involvement and assist in them in removing occult related items from house.
- 4. Perform house cleansing and blessing/sealing or Minor Rite of Exorcism. Laity in good standing with the Lord can perform this cleansing, but I highly recommend a demonologist or preferably ordained clergy to do so.
- 5. Optional, but I always, always pray with family before leaving their home.
- 6. Protect yourself and your group with a waiver release form.

Caution: If client goes into possession during prayer, stop immediately and refer to clergy.



#### WAIVER FORM

# OFFICIAL DOCUMENT Chesterfield Paranormal Research By signing this document, I understand, comprehend and fully agree with the investigation and blessing of the property located Waiver for blessing of home and investigation by any ordained clergy, Chesterfield Paranormal Research or (your group name) I also understand that by having this property blessed or investigated by Chesterfield Paranormal Research, the possibility of the alleged paranormal activity can be altered in some way; either increasing or decreasing. I also understand that with a blessing of the home, there is the possibility of paranormal activity increasing and therefore, injury or death could occur. I understand, agree to, and give my consent to having any rites or rituals performed, at the Clergy Members or its affiliates discretion, on the location of the property at the aforementioned address. (you can include what your team does during the investigations) I understand and give my consent / permission to the Clergy Member to perform the blessing(s), rites and rituals on/in the aforementioned property, and agree that no legal ramifications may result from his/her doing so, regardless of the result of the blessing. I hereby wave any form of legal liability to Chesterfield Paranormal Research, and any other person (s) in connection to the Blessing and or Investigation that will be performed on the aforementioned home or those persons signing below. Property Owner/Client (Signature) Date Property Owner/Client (Signature) Date Witness (Signature) Date Witness (Signature) Date

SAMPLE FORM

Date

Paranormal Team Representative (signature)

# **Stage II - Oppression**

This stage is dangerous, as the intent of a demon is made known. This is when the victim begins to experience the demon's onslaught. Whereas the structure or property was the object of infestation, a person is the object of oppression. The demonic problem becomes personal and interacts in a more focused way with one victim. The goal of demonic oppression is to put strain on the victim emotionally, psychologically, physically, and spiritually causing them eventually to "give in" and accept more complete control from the demon(s). The path to possession is characterized by increased demonic control in stages. It is here that the demonic is attempting to destroy one's life to the point where the victim takes his or her own life.

Note that if a demonic infestation took the form of a helpful spirit that pretense is generally dropped while things progress. I am always concerned about pretense in every case that lands on my desk whereby I learned that homeowners are communicating with an alleged helpful spirit or deceased loved one. Pretense is always demonic deception. Demonic entities commonly masquerade as children to project an innocent nature and, in many cases, elicit sympathy.

# Signs of Oppression

In the same manner, that there are signs looked for by an investigator, demonologist or clergy member evidencing infestation, oppression has its signs. They are:

- 1. Isolation from family and friends Exercise both caution and discernment here as isolation can be the product of factors lying outside of demonic influence. Stress or depression can cause one to isolate him or herself. If the client has completely isolated him or herself, have him or her to seek medical help first.
  - 2. Diabolical confusion Self-explanatory
  - 3. Hopelessness or fatalism
  - 4. Insomnia; nightmares
  - 5. Significant falloff in hygiene and self-care/care of family and responsibilities
  - 6. Severe depression
  - 7. Obsessive behavior

- 8. Hearing voices suggesting lewd or disgusting acts; the harming of oneself or others and voices suggesting the avoidance of positive people.
  - 9. Writing or occult symbols on the victim's body in raised welts.
  - 10. Disturbing visions/images

It is easy to see how the victims will, faith and intellect is being systematically destroy by the above. These signs or symptoms affect the victim's emotions, thoughts and sleep thus paving the way for a diminished sense of reality and for one to give up at which point possession can occur.

#### The Process

Let's take another look at some of these signs in relation to affect and to mental health. It is imperative that client has a clean bill of mental health before proceeding with his or her case. The last thing a mentally ill person needs to hear that the demonic is responsible for what is taking place when in fact that is not the case.

Several things are taking place during this process. In affecting the client's emotions and body, demonically induced depression, anger, rage is for the purpose of isolating client from family and friends. Physical attacks in the form of biting, scratching, punches, etc. also wears a client down emotionally.

Sleep is vital for good health and well-being. Getting enough quality sleep protects one's mental health, physical health, quality of life, and safety. The damage from sleep deficiency compromise one's safety, reactions and relationships. Ongoing sleep deficiency raises risks of chronic health problems. Ongoing sleep deprivation wears the victim down and fatigues them. Experiencing nightmares of a demonic nature disturb sleep, often waking them to see things within the room.

Demonic oppression can involve a victim's perception being distorted. This is done to prevent the client from seeing the source of help or resolution in regards or religion or Christianity. Sometimes a victim will not perceive words associated with God, such as Jesus, prayer, Church, Holy, etc.

In cases of severe oppression, the demonic can take over the victim's body, but in a limited way. To some extent, the demon(s) take ownership of the body for brief periods of time.

Oppression affects thoughts of the victim in a myriad of ways:

- 1. Paranoia
- 2. Distrust of others
- 3. Irrational beliefs
- 4. Intrusive thoughts from foreign source
- 5. Hearing voices from within or without.
- 6. Negative experiences while perceiving holy things or hearing someone pray.
- 7. Touching the victim in various ways.
- 8. Writing or occult symbols appearing on victim's body in raised welts.

#### Resolution

As with infestation, there are religious test for oppression that will not be mentioned here. The resolution of demonic oppression is often the same a4s the resolution of an infestation, but with the addition of deliverance prayers. Laity can say these prayers but I recommend them to be prayed by demonologists or preferably by clergy. Again, if client goes into a possessed state, stop immediately and refer to clergy.

Using deliverance prayers on a possessed person will only anger and inflame the possessing demon and make the situation worse. This will put you in serious danger and will not free the possessed. These prayers are used only for intervention from holy sources to affecting evil from a person or the effects of that evil. Deliverance prayers are used for external evil (oppression) when the Roman Ritual or Solemn Rite is used upon internal evil (possession) and then only by trained, ordained clergy.

#### **Possession**

Possession is the most serious level or stage of demonic influence and is rare. Adam Blai defines rare as one or a few cases going at any one time in a major city. There are dioceses that have more and some that have less. My mentor has performed 28 exorcisms over a ten-year period attesting to not only its rareness but also to its reality. It is at this stage that demons completely take over the body. Demons will have gained some aspects of thinking and will although possession is mainly an effect on the body. The will is degraded to a significant degree. Although one's freewill is not taken over, the demon's control over the body forces one to do things with it that that person wouldn't want to do.

When the person is in control of their body they usually hear the demons talking to them (and each other) in their head, threatening them and giving instructions on what to do or not do at all times. The person's ability to actively ask for help will likely be severely curtailed by threats and punishments. Functioning varies among the possessed. Some can function while others cannot function well at all. An exorcism is needed immediately at this stage.

I am not an exorcist so the following is provided without any detail. There are various types of possession. They are:

- 1. Full possession Demonic entity constantly possessing the possessed.
- 2. Transient Possession Demonic entity goes in and out of possessed.
- 3. Perfect or Total Possession A person's will has been submerged and no longer able to resist.
- 4. Involuntary Possession I am listing this particular one only so that you will be familiar with it, as I believe this form of possession is without merit. It is said that there have been occurrences of involuntary possession in which holy people are possessed to help expiate the sins of others. One such person that many believed suffered for type of possession was a German girl named Anneliese Michel upon whom the movie *The Exorcism of Emily Rose* was based. There is no scriptural support for this type of possession.

# Signs: Physical Changes of the Possessed

1. May or may not levitate.

- 2. May go long periods of time without blinking could indicate a Neuro condition
- 3. May appear catatonic could also be sign of mental illness
- 4. Speak in language can't possibly know or English with unusual accents careful MPD
- 5. The person will become completely rigid where they cannot be moved at all, even by multiple people.
- 6. Look for changes in eyes may turn almost like black shark eyes
- 7. May possess inhuman strength
- 8. May speak in tongues
- 9. Writing or symbols may appear on the body in the form of welts and scratches
- 10. May have multiple voices come from person at the same time
- 11. Take note if animals appear frightened of the person, especially if they begin acting fearful when there are personality changes in the person
- 12. Aversion to religious objects and holy names
- 13. Cough or vomit when the demon comes out Bible says evil spirits come out with a shriek (Acts 8:7)
- 14, Obvious changes in their features
- 15. The person may exhibit "precognition," the ability to predict the future.
- 16. The person displays "retro cognition," the ability to know about past events they should not know about.
- 17. The person may be able to know something about a person they have not met.
- 18, Their voice may change. It may go from high to low to guttural.
- 19. They may be able to tell what you are thinking.
- 20. They may move in some unusual way. For example, they may seem to glide instead of walk.

- 21. Writing or symbols may appear on the body in the form of welts and scratches. Look especially in areas they could not reach.
- 22. Hair or eye color may change.

# Signs: Mental Changes of the Possessed

- 1. Look for changes in personality
- 2. Someone who is normally active suddenly becomes isolative
- 3. Changes in attitude and behavior, usually becoming hostile
- 4. Someone who begins cursing a lot when that is out of character for them
- 5. Suddenly has an aversion to religious objects. They may be a person who normally goes to Church, but suddenly despises the thought.
- 6. Look for evidence of self-mutilation
- 7. Changes in way person dresses
- 8. Look for destructiveness on the part of the person, especially if that destruction of religious objects
- 9. May become abusive and threatening for no reason
- 10. Person may experience severe nightmares or night terrors
- 11. They may perform acts of humiliation, such as urinating on themselves, etc. and may consume the same.
- 12. Look for changes in sleep patterns.
- 13. Look for sudden weight loss or gain.
- 14. Observe their personal hygiene and look for changes.
- 15. Look for evidence of occult materials in the room.
- 16. They may become violent. They often attempt to hurt animals.
- 17. They may be sexually pre-occupied. Excessive masturbation or doing it in front of others.

- 18. Take note of what appears to be a different personality or multiple personalities.
- 19. Look for unusual changes in diet. Foods that were once favorites may now be repulsive to the person. They may eat foods that they once detested.
- 20. Take note if they seem to have blackouts in their memory.

Preternatural changes in the environment should be noted. Apart from signs already mentioned with the other two stages, the following outward manifestations may also occur:

- 1. Objects may disappear and not be found again. (Aporting)
- 2. Objects may disappear and be found in another location. (Teleporting)
- 3. Objects may disappear and later be found where they originally were.
- 4. Objects may come from nowhere. (Apports)
- 5. Objects fly around as if they were thrown from unseen hands.
- 6. Odd lights may be seen. They may shoot around a room.
- 7. There may be sightings of people or dark shadows that may or may not have form.
- 8. Odd-looking creatures may be seen.
- 9. Doors and drawers may open and close on their own.
- 10. Spontaneous fires may start up.
- 11. Any talk of God or religion may cause an outbreak of activity.
- 12. Glass may break for no reason.
- 13. Sounds of glass breaking may be heard, but there is no evidence of it happening.
- 14. There may be sudden temperature changes, up and down although it is usually down. These can be recorded on a thermometer.
- 15. A person may suddenly become cold while the temperature remains constant. A thermometer may record a one to two degree drop in that person.
- 16. People may have a feeling of being watched or that they are not alone.
- 17. There may be a sensation of wind blowing even with the windows closed.

- 18. Lights will go off or not come on when turned on.
- 19. Apparent retaliation after some attempt to stop the activity.

### **Psychiatric Considerations**

Advances in science and medicine have improved the quality of life for many. Many years ago Tourette 'syndrome, schizophrenia and MPD were regarded as solid evidence of demon possession. Many people today suffering from the foregoing are living active lives because of medication. Mental illness responds to medication whereas the only resolution for possession is a spiritual one. There are some very unusual manifestations that take place in demonic possession, which cannot be explained by science.

Difficulties encountered in this area are complex and are sensitive in nature. They are:

- 1. Symptoms of mental illness and signs of possession mimic one another.
- 2. Many who are possessed are mentally ill.
- 3. The demonic can hide behind mental illness.

We have yet to come to a point where there is a happy medium, although we have come a long ways. We have gone from one end of the spectrum deeming all individuals possessed who suffer from mental illness to the other end of the spectrum deeming the alleged possessed mentally ill. In the absence of a happy medium, we have some grey area; however, there are things that occur with possession, things that are taking place around the person, that it is hard to classify what is taking place as strictly psychiatric. These things have already been referenced in preceding section.

Properly trained priests, exorcists, demonologists and investigators who witness signs of possession know that one who manifests these symptoms must first be evaluated by a psychiatrist in order for said person to receive treatment or to rule out mental illness in order to proceed with exorcism. This is imperative as mental health symptoms and symptoms of symptoms of possession mimic one another. To treat a mental problem with exorcism can have devastating effects upon a mentally ill person.

We find that the gospel accounts distinguish between mental illness and demonic possession, to wit: when Matthew describes the beginnings of Jesus' ministry, he tells how "people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases . . . and he healed them." Among those Jesus healed, Matthew writes, were the *seleniazomenoi* and the

daimonizomenoi. These two groups of people were either mentally ill or oppressed/possessed respectfully. The former is self-explanatory and the latter was caused by an evil spirit whether attack was oppression or possession.

To avoid redundancy, signs of possessions will be omitted here. With that said, let's look at various mental illnesses and its parallel mimicking behavior. This can be confounding to the untrained person.

BIPOLAR DISORDER. Exhibited superhuman or inhuman strength is a sign of possession. Abnormal strength, however, can be exhibited by those suffering from bipolar disorder. This "exhibition" is normally accompanied by psychosis during the manic phase of the illness. Lots of energy can be displayed also.

TOURETTE SYNDROME. Tourette syndrome is interesting as the shouting of obscenities, violent threats and sacrilegious statements used to really give me pause in terms of the spiritual reality that might lie behind it. Having said that, however, the foregoing can result solely from illness. Tourette syndrome is known for tics, both motor and vocal. Vocal tics include growling, barking and repetitive words or phrases. Corolla is probably the most widely or well-known symptoms of Tourette syndrome that is easily mistaken for possession which includes screaming, obscene or horrible language. The foregoing symptoms accompanied by thrashing/flailing and rapid jerking of the body can seem to be only from the spirit world but can be solely a mental/medical problem.

SCHIZOPHRENIA is another illness/disorder that can be mistaken for demonic possession because of its mimicking symptoms. Here one can experience mood disorders and paranoid thinking in that one fears various items, all people and situations that contain religious themes. Schizophrenia is also characterized by disorganized or catatonic behavior, disorganized speech, delusions and hallucinations. One may exhibit outburst or inappropriate responses such and crying and screaming with mismatching or no stimulus for response such as laughing at morbid situations. It is very easy for me to see how this disorder and possession can be confused with one another.

DISSOCIATIVE IDENTITY DISORDER. Dissociative Identity Disorder/Multiple Personality Disorder (MPD) is easily mistaken for demonic possession. This disorder is characterized by the "presence" of two or more distinct personalities or identities, each capable to control individual and has its own way of relating to the environment and thinking/perceiving. I can see this illness mistaken for demonic possession of the stage of a modern-day deliverance minister's circus tent.

IDI/MPD. includes eye rolling and behaviors commonly observed in possessed individuals and seizures. In observing a person suspected of either a mental illness or demonic possession, you must keep in mind that some things/symptoms cannot be explained by biology, i.e. levitation, non-self-inflicted wounds appearing on body, speaking in languages person has never been exposed to and psychic abilities. In addition, change in room temperature cannot be explained away by biology neither can sounds from indiscernible sources, movement of objects on their own or horrible stenches from unknown source. Psychiatric and medical examinations are not optional.

#### **PART III - TEST**

- 1. The gospel accounts reflect no rise is demonic activity during the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ. True or False
- 2. Write a summary paragraph explaining what causes a demonic infestation and what it is called.
- 3. What are some of the clear indicators you recognize immediately upon entering a structure with a demonic presence?
- 4. What is a Trinity knock?
- 5. List seven (7) signs of an infestation.
- 6. During an infestation a demon can manifest as a human. How do you determine if that particular apparition is truly human or demonic in nature.
- 7. Since an infestation is not personal, praying will not cause activity. True or False
- 8. To remedy an infestation, you
- A. Tell client if they hope hard enough the haunting will be gone within 72 hours. True or False
  - B. Perform the Roman Catholic Rite of Exorcism immediately. Circle one.
  - C. Politely tell the demon to vacate.
  - D. Provoke occupying demons
  - E. Perform a home cleansing yourself or have clergy perform the ritual.
- 9. The intent of a demon is made known in what stage?
- 10. What is the goal or objective of oppression?
- 11. List five (5) signs of oppression.
- 12. What is being systematically destroyed during the oppression stage?
- 13. If oppression is severe enough, can the demonic take over body for brief periods in a limited way?

- 14. Luckily for the victim he or she experiences no intrusive thoughts during this stage. True or False
- 15. If mental illness is suspected during either the infestation or oppression stage, would you have client undergo psychiatric evaluation or continue the investigation. Explain.
- 16. Demonic possession is ramped today. True or False
- 17. Since possession is mainly an effect on the body, some aspects of thinking and will are not affected. True or False
- 18. Can a demon communicate with the victim during the possession stage? Explain.
- 19. What are the four forms of possession.
- 20. List twelve (12) physical changes seen in the possessed.
- 21. List ten (10) mental changes in the possessed.
- 22. It is impossible for a possessed person to be mentally ill. True or False
- 23. We covered five (5) types of mental illnesses that have symptoms that mimic possession. Name three of these illnesses and at least one mimicking behavior each.
- 24. What is Coprolalia?
- 25. In an emergency, deliverance prayers can be used here without thought to the repercussions. True or False. Explain.
- 26. Who can perform the Solemn Rite?

# PART IV INVESTIGATIVE TOPICS

# High EMF Levels: Haunting or Health Hazard?

Sometimes an alleged haunting is not a haunting at all. It's the job of the investigator to find natural or man-made causes of reported phenomena if possible. One of these causes may very well be high levels of electromagnetic fields (EMF). An electromagnetic field is one that contains both magnetic and electrical properties that surrounds objects with an electrical charge. Garages, basements, and less frequently attics commonly have high levels of EMF. Referenced places normally have exposed lighting and wiring, heaters, pumps and circuit breaker panel boxes. As a caveat, high EMF levels can be the temporary result of weather conditions such as electrical storms.

One tool that nearly all investigators use is the EMF meter. If one experiences paranoia, have goose bumps or feel that someone is watching him and the EMF levels are 8 mG (milli-Gauss) or greater, the property owner should have a licensed electrician check structure in question. Chronic exposure to more than 2.5 mG is inadvisable. Chances are if EMF levels are lowered or eliminated, the "creeped out" feelings and heaviness may subside as well. There are also reports of general discomfort, hallucinations, nausea, fatigue, forgetfulness, and insomnia and skin rashes. To a lesser extent, these high levels can cause brain tumors, cancer and leukemia.

An investigator normally uses his or her EMF meter to primarily detect a presence, track an entity, or validate paranormal activity in haunted locations or homes. If the meter detects fluctuations of 2.0 to 7.0 electromagnetic fields static or moving, without a discernible source, it usually indicates spirit presence. Perhaps more important than the foregoing, the investigator can use the EMF meter to debunk a haunting. Any reading that is higher or lower than 2.0 and 7.0 normally has a natural source. This is why it is important to take a baseline reading of the structure or area prior to the actual investigation. Before we are too quick to write a "haunting" off, we ask spirits to turn on and off something such as a flashlight or to light up an EMF meter on command as the foregoing can only be accomplished by an intelligent entity, not high EMF. An investigator can accomplish the above by asking yes and no questions also. We also keep in mind that a location may contain residual energy.

Not only are high levels of EMF are harmful to one's health and induces feelings of being watched or feelings of paranoia, high levels of extremely low frequency sound waves (infrasound) have been reported to induce similar feelings; however, this is unlikely in the average home. Infrasound will be a topic we will cover later. Chesterfield Paranormal Research will always continue the investigation to some extent, before writing a haunting off to high levels of EMF and will always advise

property being.	y owner of	his or her	r options a	as related	to his or	her health,	promoting	; well-

#### Is it Paranormal? Or Just Normal?

At the forefront of my thinking when I go to an investigation is looking for natural or logical causes of an alleged haunting. Laura Pennace of The New York Paranormal Society wrote this page as an article and I felt it to be a great way of communicating this topic. Laura -

If you think your house is haunted, try these simple, easily checkable tests. If all else fails, contact us at and we will be more than happy to help you determine the presence of paranormal activity.

If you hear....

Moaning/Groaning: A guttural or painful sound can come from a variety of places, and doesn't always have to have a paranormal source. If the wind is blowing outside, it could be the sound of tree branches moving or even the sound of wind blowing through small cracks in your house. If you do hear moaning, make sure to determine what the weather is like outside, as that often is a good way to disprove paranormal activity. Additionally, older homes tend to "settle" constantly. You may notice it more during the night simply because in general, nighttime is quieter. Lastly, consider any sort of animal that may be outside - if you live in a remote area, could it be a wild animal? Do you or any of your neighbors have an outdoor pet? Sometimes sounds coming from outside sound like they are in your home.

Scratching: While scratching could be a sign of paranormal activity, it could also be a sign of something much more frightening - mice. When your house is infested with mice, you will often hear scratching (and maybe even shrieking) in the walls, ceilings, and floors. It's best to call an exterminator if you believe you have mice in your home.

Taps/Bangs: The first thing to think about when you hear any sort of thudding noise is what's outside your home - are you surrounded by trees with branches that could feasibly hit your house? Could there perhaps be rogue children outside throwing things, and your house is an unfortunate victim of their pranks?

If you see....

Shadows: Questions to ask yourself - are there candles anywhere within eyesight? Do you have any pets that could be moving around, casting shadows in strange places? Could it even be your own shadow? It sounds silly, but oftentimes if you see something weird out of the corner of your eye, it's actually just you.

If you feel....

A Breeze/Cold Spot: There's a chance you may have an air leak somewhere in your house - usually a window, chimney, or door. This could also account for cold spots. See if you can trace the origin of the breeze to one of these locations.

Finally, if you simply sense something awry, or if you are seeing/feeling anything that seems extremely unusual, consider the location of your home, as well as some of your household objects. If you live near power lines or have older electronics, there is a good chance that the EMFs, or electromagnetic fields, that are given off are affecting your mind, causing you to hallucinate. While this is rare, it's important to know that EMF Hypersensitivity could be negatively affecting your state of mind. It's best to check with an electrician if you believe this to be the case.

#### Children and the Demonic

The most disturbing calls for help we receive are those involving young children. Scripture makes it clear that children are uniquely special to God. Not only are children a heritage from the Lord, but they are also a means of personal fulfillment. Adults receive special blessings through their children e.g., God matures us through the challenges of parenting. One of the most helpless feelings in the world is having one's child the object of unseen attention.

Children teach us humility, meekness, and tenderness as illustrated by Christ in both word and deed.

Matthew 21:15 (ESV) - But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant,

Mark 10:13-16 (ESV) - And they were bringing children to him, that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

The foregoing clues us in on the innocence, simplicity, and trusting nature of a child. "A little child," writes Matthew Henry "is the emblem by which Christ teaches us simplicity and humility." I believe these qualities not only imply that young children are closer to God than we are, but also serve as avenues by which the demonic targets and influences them. It is no secret that the most trusting is the easiest to control or manipulate.

Children of all ages can be targeted, but they normally fall within the range of ages 3 to 9. It is not our intention to convey the idea that all spirit contact is demonic, but we do take the position that the majority are. Inhuman entities normally appear as a playmate (child spirit) or confidant to gain control of a child. When this takes place, it is just a matter of time before the true nature of a demon betrays its identity, instilling a sense of fear within the child and a level of mistrust of his or her parents. The demon often attempts to control the household through the unsuspecting child and can be violent toward parents who try to dissolve this unholy alliance/relationship.

Can the above spiritual reality be explained, in part, scientifically or in terms of the physical to facilitate a better understanding of the relationship between children and unworldly parasites? It is here that faith and science may not be mutually exclusive as one might think. There is a consensus within the paranormal community a toddler's or small child's cognitive ability has not developed to the stage where learning or logical thinking has transpired and, therefore, the child's sensitivity to the paranormal. Logical thinking blocks receptivity of chaotic thinking. This is the position we take at C.P.R.

Cause/etiology is one of four components of a disease that pathology addresses. Although we take our cues from the Bible as to why children receive other than worldly visitations, what is it in terms of physical makeup that makes children so susceptible to paranormal activity? Is there an identifiable pathology? Let us take a closer look at the consensus of the paranormal community to this phenomenon. Does science back the claims of paranormal researchers in regards to cognitive ability and receptivity playing a key role in the extra sensitivity of children?

Although newly released research findings show no evidence within brain imaging, indicating we are right-brained or left-brained, it remains true that some brain functions occur in one or the other side of the brain. "Language tends to be on the left, attention more on the right," says Jeff Anderson, M.D., Ph.D., lead author of the study titled "An Evaluation of the Left-Brain vs. Right-Brain Hypothesis with Resting State Functional Connectivity Magnetic Resonance Imaging." Regardless of this groundbreaking study of "no divide," there remains an obvious pathological component responsible for the apparent greater extrasensory powers of young children and possibly animals.

Current research indicates that the human brain works as a single interactive system and not an organ that works one part at a time, both hemispheres well connected. Our new understanding, theory of cognitive modes, our brain functions between its top and bottom parts. Has our simplistic brain hemisphere dichotomy become a myth to be relegated to the past? In short, no.

Although this new study reveals that the functional differences between the hemispheres are not as distinct as we thought, the hemispheres do function differently. Findings still show that the left-brain is dominant for language and the right brain is implicated more strongly in emotional processing. Our traditional understanding of the left hemisphere where rational, logical, analytical, and objective thought takes place is not completely without merit. This also holds true to the right side being intuitive, random, and subjective, evaluating the outside world.

Our long held understanding of this dichotomy comes from split-brain studies that began in the sixties. As a last resort for epilepsy, patients with a thick bundle of fibers connecting the hemispheres were subjected to having said bundles cut/severed. After this procedure researchers discovered that presenting stimuli to just one hemisphere at a time the two halves acted like independent entities. This leaves, in our opinion, an identifiable pathological component responsible for greater extrasensory powers.

Studies have shown that meditative processes and induced altered states of consciousness opens one up to the spirit realm by suspending rational or critical thought whether partial or in full. "The left hemisphere," writes Ferguson in her "Aquarian Conspiracy, "carries on verbal, linear, analytic reason of the sort highly valued in objective, science-dominated Western culture. The right hemisphere, on the other hand, responds to patterned wholes and is not ordered by linear time...Its only speech functions are singing, swearing, or other —automatic responses. However, it may be dominant in religious responsiveness, imagery, sociability, and intuition. The functions of the right hemisphere closely parallel the descriptions that people who are familiar with altered states of consciousness give of their experiences." There is an obvious connection between the inhibition of chaos inherent in the spirit realm and critical thinking thus, to a large degree, validating the split-brain studies conducted during the 60's.

What is rational thinking? According to Richetti & Tregoe in their "Analytic Processes for School Leaders," rational thinking is "the ability to consider the relevant variables of a situation and to access, organize, and analyze relevant information (e.g., facts, opinions, judgments, and data) to arrive at a sound conclusion." A five-year study led by Maggie Toplak looked at developmental trends in five reasoning tasks considered critical components of rational thinking in 204 students from grades two to nine. The researchers found that rational thinking in both children and adolescents improves with age and "positively correlates with intelligence and executive functioning" You can read research highlights in the November issue of the journal of Developmental Psychology, "Rational Thinking and Cognitive Sophistication: Development, Cognitive Ability, and Thinking Dispositions." Lending credibility to the consensus of the paranormal community, rational or critical thinking takes time to develop and, therefore, leaves many young children vulnerable to the spirit realm.

As for maturing girls, it has been suggested that there is a connection between menstrual cycles, puberty and telekinetic energy – poltergeist activity – which, in turn, makes it easier for demonic entities' demonstration of telekinetic activity. Supernatural significance to the phenomenon of menstruation is a part of belief systems in some cultures. We do not hold this position in relation to children and the demonic for several reasons, namely because there are no valid studies, as we are able to discern, to support this notion and that there have been many instances of poltergeist activity within homes without a female child entering puberty.

What we, as parents, know and do regarding this topic? The innocence of a young child in regards to being closer to God is a given. As a matter of divine revelation, we see that children are a heritage of the Lord, teachers of humility, tenderness, and meekness, and hold a very special place in the heart of our Lord. A child is uncomplicated and possesses a trusting nature. This close relationship to God, trusting nature and sensitivity to the spirit realm, makes a child prey to the darker spirits of the preternatural realm. One of the major objectives of the demonic is control and this can be achieved through an unsuspecting child. This is the spiritual reality behind contact whether an entity masquerades as a child/playmate/confidant or deceased relative.

The long held belief that children are more sensitive or open to the spirit world apparently has a pathological basis. Rational or critical thinking has an inverse relationship (or correlation) to the receptivity of the unseen. Research indicates the decommissioning of the left hemisphere or suspension of rational thought, or the lack of development as is the case for children, connects us to the spirit world. "Shutting down" the left hemisphere of the brain, facilitates the use of the right hemisphere that is associated with spirit. The right side structures and stores information in a circular manner. It is poetic, imaginative, emotional, mystical, and abstract. Fortunately, rational thinking in both children and adolescents improves with age.

Children are spiritually venerable. We should not be quick to dismiss an imaginary friend or playmate with whom our children claim interaction. Assessing a situation can be a bit of a balancing act given children have a keen sense of imagination. Watch for affected child alienating him or her from the rest of the family. Pay attention to your child if he or she is having horrible nightmares. If your child is swearing or using new words that are out of character and/or is aware of people or past incidences to which they never had exposure, it is past time for intervention. We recommend a mental health evaluation of your child and when a clean bill of mental health is issued, contact clergy. If the foregoing is accompanied by intense paranormal activity, call clergy immediately. The Lord has entrusted us with the care of His children and in our valiant efforts to protect them, let us remain mindful that protection extends beyond what we can see with our natural sight.

#### **Incubus - Succubus Demon**

Sexual demons such as the incubus and succubus are deeply rooted in varied mythologies. The incubus and succubus are a part of Jewish Demonology. The apocryphal Jewish demon queen, Lilith, has a place in Babylonian and Assyrian mythologies as a night maiden (ardat lili), continuing in Jewish tradition as Lilith. She developed earlier in the Babylonia Talmud. Lilith, according to both Jewish and Arabic myths is a succubus.

According to a number of mythological and legendary traditions, Lilith (Adam's first wife) was cursed by God and turned into a succubus after her refusal to submit to Adam's authority. Depending upon legend, Lilith is either mother of all incubi and succubae or mother of all succubae only.

Before advancing any further, definitions of the incubus and succubus demons must be brought to light. An incubus is a male demon that attempts sexual intercourse with sleeping females. According the Encyclopedia of Secret Knowledge 1870, the incubus is from Late Latin incubāre to lay upon, from Latin incubō nightmare, a demon that lies down on the sleeper c. 1205. Succubus, on the other hand, is a female demon that attempts sexual intercourse with sleeping men. The succubus is from Latin succubāre to lie under, alteration of Late Latin incubus c. 1387.

Nocturnal visitations by these demons are marked by sexually arousing dreams of victim followed by feeling actual weight on the bed or upon their body. In advanced stages the defilement by the demon is as real as a normal physical sexual encounter, although much more violent. After some sort of sexually unpleasant experience has occurred victim will feel great shame and much fear.

Pastoral experience varies in regards to ministering to victims claiming sexual assaults from unseen forces. Some pastors dismiss these claims as products of the imagination while others take these claims seriously on the premises of Genesis 6's narrative and the awareness of its current parallel in the occult. Contacts in the latter have a long tradition in witchcraft and other forms of the occult and the Old Testament narrative has New Testament support.

It is a matter of divine revelation that God confined a number of fallen angels in the deepest part of hell until judgment (II Pet. 2:4) with everlasting chains (Jude 1:6-7). These verses indicate that an unusual and repugnant sexual sin was committed. To be

sure, Jude 1:7 speaks of angels going after strange flesh, meaning flesh of a different kind. All fallen angels/demons are wicked and yet many remain active in the world, which takes us back to the unusual nature of this sexual sin. According to K. S. Wuest (Greek Scholar), "these angels transgressed the limits of their own natures to invade a realm of created beings of a different nature" (Wuest/Word Studies in Greek NT). In other words, these watchers/fallen angels had unworldly intercourse with the hunman race.

I would caution pastors who dismiss church member claims as being either imaginative or psychological in nature. Recommendations for these pastors include researching cases of willing sexual encounters between demons and humans within the occult sources are plentiful. Read and prayerfully study the works of researchers such as Drs. Merrill Unger, Kurt Koch, Jacques Vallee, Nandor Fodor, and Chuck Missler. Additional recommended reading includes City of God written by St. Augustine, Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologiæ, Part 1, Question 51, Article 3, and Ludovico Maria Sinastri's De Daemonialitate et Incubis et Succubis ("Demoniality: Or, Incubi and Succubi"). While we may never be able to understand how this can possibly take place, it is ours to understand that this activity does occur, leaving its victims to suffer in silence. A special note to Protestant pastors: salvation stops these attacks.

The number of Incubus/Succubus attacks is rising. In 2012, 13,948 attacks were reported and 80,497 in 2013. I personally attribute this significant increase, in part, with the nearing of Christ's return. Demons were obviously agitated and manifested themselves during Christ's earthly ministry and I anticipate the same pattern of behavior for the Second Advent. That said, we must question the motive or purpose that incites these attacks. According to some demonologists and researchers, demons are attempting to produce half-human and half demon offspring. The apparent failure of accomplishing this objective is due to the demonic being incompetent in the matter of our DNA or genetic codes. According to a private source, there have been only two successful attempts. These two "cambions" were born in Europe. According to legend, Merlin the magician was the progeny of an incubus and a nun. These attacks, however are of a more personal nature e.g. defilement, degradation, torment, shame, guilt, destruction of body and soul, et al.

Dr. John Raupert in his "Dangers of Spiritualism," observes that women have been ruined in both body and soul by these encounters. He further writes that the weakening of willpower and the imposition of debasing immorality upon these women affects the nervous system causing insanity in extreme cases. The pursuit of this or any other black magic appears to usurp functions of normal processes.

According to Medieval Christian Demonology, attempts to produce cambions are accomplished by succubi luring men into sex in order for said demon, in the guise of an incubus, to take semen to a woman for impregnation. The incubus and the succubus are the same demon. I, along with other other researchers and biblical demonologists, believe that the existence of female demons is nothing more than a deceptive manifestation. The Greek word for angel (angelos) as found in the New Testament is in the masculine form "os." Every biblical reference to angels are done so in the masculine gender. An interesting note can be made concerning the appearances of angels in the Bible are in the form of human males.

In Scripture, the use of masculine gender pronouns is primarily a reference to authority – not sex. God refers to Himself in the masculine. Many believe, according to the words of Christ (Matthew 22:30), that angels are genderless or "sexless" on the premise of no marriages between angels and the absence of procreation. However, angels being genderless cannot be proven by this text – it is a stretch to provide this passage of scripture as evidence for this so-called truth. "No marriage" does not necessarily mean absence of gender. In short, incubus and succubus are two faces of the same demonic entity.

Apart from gender, what else do we know about these sexual demons and their nocturnal visitations? Incubus and Succubus

- 1. Are fairly easy to get rid of.
- 2. Cause other sexual perversions.
- 3. Sometimes masquerade as a deceased spouse.
- 4. Usually attack on in the bedroom or sleeping quarts although reports indicate that attacks can take place anywhere.
- 5. Often attack while the victim is awake dismissing the possibility of a dream
- 6. Often responsible for nocturnal emissions.

We have established the reality of sexual demons by scriptural evidence and indirectly by various mythologies as well as briefly summarizing their modus operandi. I normally do not consider mythologies, but they may very well cloak nuggets of truth by way of colorful stories. These poetic stories serve as a basis for the understanding of our own existence by expressing worldviews. Spiritual and educational in nature, myths pave the way to understanding universal truths, often explaining various

phenomena using non-human characters or beings. Studying what may first seem to be a waste of time actually adds to our knowledge of various cultures and of the world as a whole.

Both men and women are being attacked by these demons and they are reluctant to talk about it. Skeptics come from all walks of life such as pastors, psychologists, etc. They assert that the incubus and succubus attacks are products of one's imagination, emotional or psychological problems, old hag syndrome, sleep paralysis occurring during the hyupnagogic state of sleep, and sundry other sleep disturbances.

In my opinion, these demons are of a lower rank subservient to higher ranking and more powerful demons. Their primary mission appears to be more demoralizing in nature than one with the end goal of possession. The ease of elimination proves that these demons are no match against the blood of Christ. One who suspects involuntary involvement of such unholy activity should immediately contact a demonologist or believing pastor as repeated experiences are destructive physically, mentally and spiritually.

#### Part IV - Test

1. What types of symptoms are experienced as a result of chronic exposure to high EMF?
2. What two areas of a house commonly have high levels of EMF?
3. Any reading that is higher or lower than 2.0 and 7.0 normally has a what?
4. High levels of EMF can induce feelings of being watched or feelings of paranoia, True or False
5. While scratching could be a sign of paranormal activity, it could also be a sign of something much more frightening – what?
6. Breezy or cold spots can come from what?
7. Hallucinating can be linked with high levels of what?
8. Humility, meekness, and tenderness can be taught to us by?
9. Can humility and simplicity be avenues through which the demonic can target and influence?
10. Inhuman entities normally appear as a or confidant to gain of a child.
11. There is a consensus within the paranormal community a toddler's or small child' cognitive ability has not developed to the stage where learning or logical thinking has transpired and, therefore, the child's sensitivity to the paranormal. Write a summary

12. Why does this course's author believe that there is an identifiable pathological component responsible for greater extrasensory powers?

paragraph explaining why you think this may hold true.

- 13. Parents should not dismiss imaginary friends or playmates. What three changes should parents be on the lookout for in their child?
- 14. If your answer to question number 13 is accompanied by intense paranormal activity, what would you do as a parent?

15. Rational or critical thinking has an inverse relationship (or correlation) to
16. The demon often attempts to control the household through the unsuspecting child and can betoward parents who try to dissolve this unholy alliance/relationship.
17. What is an Incubus?
18. What is a Succubus?
19. An Incubus and a Succubus are two (different) entities. True or False
20. Can defilement from a sexual demon be as real as a normal physical sexual encounter? Explain.
21. Some pastors dismiss sexual assault claims as a product of one's what?
22. The number of Incubus/Succubus attacks is significantly declining. True or False
23. The instructor lists six things we know about these sexual demons and their nocturnal visitations. Name four (4) of them.
24. Skeptics assert that incubus and succubus attacks are products of one's imagination emotional or psychological problems,,
other sleep disturbances.