

HOW CAN CHRISTIANS BE AFFECTED BY DEMONS?

Answering Tough Questions Bible Study Series
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Biblical descriptions of demonic influence on people:

1. "demon _____" (Matthew 8:28)
2. "_____ with demons" (Matthew 4:24)
3. "with an _____ spirit" (Mark 1:23; 5:2)
4. "_____ a demon" (Luke 8:27)
5. "had the _____ of an unclean demon" (Luke 4:33)
6. "_____ with unclean spirits" (Luke 6:18)
7. demons "_____ of" people (Luke 4:41)
8. demons are "_____ of" people (Matthew 12:27)

Can a Christian be "demon possessed"?

A demon cannot _____ or take _____ control of a Christian.

1. There are no instructions in scripture to cast a demon out of a _____.
2. Christians have been _____ from the enemy. (Ephesians 2:1-2; Colossians 1:13-14)
3. Christians are _____ by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:9-11; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1 John 4:4)

The impact of demonic forces on Christians

1. Not _____ evil is from Satan and demons, but _____ is.

2. _____ Christians will experience spiritual _____ by demonic forces. (Ephesians 6:12; 1 Peter 5:8; Job 2:7; 2 Corinthians 12:7; Luke 13:10-17)
3. Apart from spiritual warfare, Christians _____ themselves up to demonic influence if they are not careful. (Matthew 16:21-23; Acts 5:3)

How do demons gain influence over a Christian?

1. Not properly dealing with our _____ (Ephesians 4:26-27)
2. Not engaging in spiritual _____.
3. Not wearing our "spiritual _____".
4. Involvement with _____ practices and items.

How can we protect ourselves from demonic influence?

1. Be _____ of the enemy's influence. (1 Peter 5:8-9)
2. _____ to God in surrender and obedience. (James 4:7)
3. _____ the devil. (James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:8-9)
4. _____ of known sin immediately.
5. _____ your "spiritual armor". (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Conclusion

Romans 8:38-39