Mark 1:21-45

Life begins when we hear and believe the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The purpose of life is to please God.

The call of life for the believer is to come after the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Power of Life – 1:21-34

1 Cor 2:4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

Demonology

1. Demons are real.

Eph 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

2. Demons seek to possess or oppress.

- 1 Cor. 6:19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
- 1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Demonology

- 1. Demons are real.
- 2. Demons seek to possess or oppress.
- 3. Demons seek to defile.
- **Gen 39:9** There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great **wickedness**, and sin against God?
- **Gal 5:19** Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, <u>witchcraft</u>, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
- 4. Demons fear Jesus Christ.

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The Power of Life – 1:21-34

The keys to overcoming demonic strongholds:

- 1. The Holy Spirit of God.
- 2. The Word of God.

Rom 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead <u>dwell</u> <u>in you</u>, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Mat 8:16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: **and he cast out the spirits with his word**, and healed all that were sick:

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Strongholds are broken by believing what God says and living in dependence of His Spirit for power.

TRUTH FOR THE WEEK!

The Peace of Life – 1:35-37

For the believer, the Peace of Life is solitude with God.

The Worship of Life – 1:40-43

Mat 8:2 And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

The worship of life is a prostrate life before God.

The Message of Life – 1:44-45

For the believer, the message of Life is, "Jesus saves."

"The Lord told him not to tell anybody and he told everybody. He tells us to tell everybody and we tell nobody." -J. Vernon McGee