



### PRISONERS

There are many reasons why people are put into **Prison**. Becoming a **Prisoner** is usually a direct result of an act of defiance toward mankind. However, **all** acts of defiance are really due to disobedience and rebellion against God. (Eph 5:6 Col 3:6 1 Sam 15:23) Although many people are **Prisoners** of Man, many more are **Prisoners** of their own Flesh, or **Prisoners** of the Devil (Satan). No matter what the cause or reason that we **are Prisoners**, the only escape from these **Prisons** is to become a **Prisoner of God!**

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## PRISONERS OF MAN

Although **man builds Prisons**, it is **God** who has ordained the use of **Imprisonment** as **one** type of punishment for breaking His Laws and the laws of the land. (Num 5:6-7)

### Ezra 7:26

26 **And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him**, whether it be unto death, or to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or **to imprisonment**.

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## PRISONERS OF THE FLESH

We become **Prisoners** of our own **Flesh**, when we become rebellious and self-willed.

This leads to fornication and fleshly desires that will lead us to **Hell**. (Gal 5:19-21)

### 2 Pet 2:10

10 **But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government** (authority). **Presumptuous** (of extreme conduct) **are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.**

### Jude 7

7 **Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.**

### Eph 2:3

3 **Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.**

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## PRISONERS OF THE DEVIL (SATAN)

We become **Prisoners** of the Devil (Satan) when we believe his lies and follow him!

### John 8:44

44 **Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar and the father of it.**

### 1 Jn 3:8 (Read 1 John 3:10)

8 **He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. ...**

### Eph 2:2 (Read: Eph 6:11 2 Tim 2:26 Jam 4:7)

2 **Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:**

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## THE WORST PRISON

The **worst Prison** that is yet to come is the **Eternal Prison of Hell**. It is like being in solitary confinement totally separated from **God** for **Eternity** with **NO** chance of parole.

### Luke 12:5 (Read: Mark 9:42-48)

5 **But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him (God), which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him (God).**

### Isa 66:24 (Read: Rev 21:8 20:10-15 1:18)

24 **And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.**

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## THE PROMISES OF GOD

**God** has called Timothy II to write this Tract in order to help open the blind eyes of the **Prisoners** to **God's** Promises for Freedom! (Acts 26:16, 18)

### Isa 61:1

1 **The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;**

### Isa 42:6-7

6 **I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;**

7 **To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.**

**Isa 49:9**  
9 That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth (come out); (and) to them that are in darkness, Shew (reveal) yourselves. ...

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### **PRISONERS OF GOD**

As Prisoners we need to forget the past, and like Paul, become the Prisoners of God.

**Phile 1:9** (Read: Phile 1:1)

9 Yet for love's sake I rather beseech thee, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.

**2 Tim 1:8**

8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: ...

**Eph 4:1**

1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

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Even if we are still IN a Prison when we become Prisoners of God, our attitude in Prison will change. We will begin to pray and sing praises to the Lord, and after we have matured in the Lord, we will preach and teach the Gospel! (1 Pet 2:2 Heb 5:13-14)

**Acts 16:23**

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

**Acts 16:25**

25 And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

**Acts 28:16**

16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered (allowed) to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.

**Acts 28:30-31**

30 And Paul dwelt two whole years (confined) in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,  
31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

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### **THE PRISONER'S PRAYER**

No matter what Prison you may be in right now, if you do not want to go to the Eternal Prison of Hell, Please Pray this Prayer!

**Ps 79:8-9**

8 O remember not against us former iniquities (sins): let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us (come to us): for we are brought very low.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.

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As part of the "Body of Christ", our intercessory Prayer to God for you is:

**Ps 79:11** (Read: 1 Thess 5:23)

11 Let the sighing (groaning) of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of thy power preserve thou those that are appointed to die;

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### **GOD'S ANSWER TO THE PRISONER'S PRAYER**

If you prayed that Prayer, and meant it in your Heart, God WILL answer your Prayer!

**Ps 102:18-20** (Read: Micah 7:7)

18 This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

19 For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth;

20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death;

**Ps 69:33**

33 For the LORD heareth the poor (destitute), and despiseth not his (the) prisoners.

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## CONCLUSION

Once you have accepted **Jesus** in your Heart as your **Lord and Savior** you will find true happiness, because it is only **He** that can **loosen** you right where you are!

**Ps 146:5** (Read: Romans 10:9-10)

**5 Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God:**

**Ps 146:7**

**7 Which executeth judgment (justice) for the oppressed:** which giveth food to the hungry. **The LORD looseth** (lets loose or sets free) **the prisoners:**

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As **Christians**, and no longer **Prisoners**, let **God** begin to change you from the inside.

**Eph 4:25-32** (Read: Col 3:5-11)

**25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour:** for we are members one of another.

**26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:**

**27 Neither give place to the devil.**

**28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.**

**29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.**

**30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.**

**31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice (wickedness):**

**32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.      AMEN!                      TIMOTHY II**