

The Spirit of Jezebel

Ahab was king over Israel. In an effort to consolidate his kingdom, Ahab married Jezebel. Jezebel was the daughter of the king of the Sidonians. This king was a Baal worshipper and so was Jezebel. Jezebel manipulated, intimidated and controlled Ahab. Even though she was not king, she had all the power of the king, because she controlled the king. (1 Kings 18)

Jezebel and Ahab are not just characters from the Bible. They are evil spirits. We must be on guard that we do not embrace these spirits, or fall prey to their attacks.

Strong Principality

The Jezebel spirit is no lower level demon that can simply be cast out of an individual. It is a strong principality and territorial ruler that has worldwide influence and can affect whole geographical areas. If one is to defeat this spirit, one must fall completely out of agreement with it and cleanse all of their thoughts of Jezebel-thinking. It is a process, but it can be done.

As a principality and ruler of darkness, Jezebel has under it lesser demons. When a person has embraced the spirit of Jezebel, they have opened themselves up to attack by many evil spirits.

Ahab empowers Jezebel

In many cases, the spirit of Jezebel will work in conjunction with an Ahab spirit. The Jezebel spirit works most effectively when a person in authority allows the Jezebel to usurp their authority. Both men and women can operate through a Jezebel spirit.

The Personality of the Spirit of Jezebel

Independent, Ambitious and Controlling

The name Jezebel means without dwelling or cohabitation. In other words, it will not submit to anyone. This spirit is controlling. A person under Jezebel's influence will eventually get their way, any way they can. It finds ways to control leadership.

Manipulative, Intimidating and Seductive

This can involve sexual seduction and manipulation. Manipulation does not always involve sex, however. Jezebel will get its way by scheming, temper tantrums, the silent treatment, pouting, threats, intimidation, flattery, etc. It uses anything that will work to gain domination. This spirit will study a person to find their weak point and attack them there.

Uses Fear Very Effectively

After Elijah successfully confronted the prophets of Baal and Asherah, Queen Jezebel put out a contract on Elijah. She sent word to him that as of tomorrow, he would suffer the same fate as her prophets. Elijah was bombarded with demons of fear and he literally ran for his life.

(1 Kings 19:1-4) This is a common tactic of the spirit of Jezebel – combine with spirits of fear to manipulate and control. It worked with Elijah and it works today.

Prideful

The spirit of Jezebel is rooted in pride. It loves praise and adoration. In a church, the person under the influence of the Jezebel spirit creates the impression of being more spiritual than anyone else. Because of pride, you will rarely hear a person influenced by Jezebel apologize for anything. They are always right and you are wrong.

A person under the influence of Jezebel will retaliate against you when you refuse to allow them to control you. They cannot stand defeat. You may have experienced flattery and seduction, but if you cross the Jezebel spirit, it will be very vindictive and will get back at you.

Rebellious

A spirit of rebellion permeates the atmosphere when a Jezebel spirit is in control. This spirit uses all means to take charge and will undermine authority as necessary. This spirit will lie, cheat, scheme and manipulate behind the scenes. Unfortunately, rebellion is contagious and others may embrace a spirit of rebellion. In a family situation, children of a parent embracing the Jezebel spirit will often become rebellious. In church situations, staff members and members of the congregation may align themselves with the person embracing Jezebel and fall into rebellion. The Jezebel spirit has been responsible for many church divisions and splits.

Hates the Prophetic

Queen Jezebel killed the prophets of God. She then set up her own company of false prophets, who were beholden to her, the prophets of Baal and Asherah. I Kings 18:4, 19.

The spirit of Jezebel works against the prophetic ministry. This is done in two ways: An inside job - working through the prophets to compromise the prophetic ministry. An outside job - undermining the prophetic ministry by using those not in that ministry.

Jezebel is a Destroyer

Queen Jezebel was a murderer: She murdered most of God's true prophets. She murdered Naboth so Ahab could have his vineyard. (1 Kings 21) She put a plan into place to murder Elijah. Jezebel will fight to the death for what it wants. It may not be physical death, but it could be the death of your will to fight. It might be the death of your anointing or your calling. It might be the death of your church, ministry or family.

Strategies of Jezebel

The spirit of Jezebel has weapons to use against those who threatens it:

Confusion and Discouragement – remember John the Baptist? He saw the Holy Spirit descend on Jesus. Later, he sent disciples to ask Jesus if He was the One, or if we should look for another. Jezebel had sent confusion, doubt and discouragement to attack him.

Fear – Elijah ran under attack by demons of fear unleashed by Jezebel

Jealousy, strife and division – Jezebel will pit one person against another. This tactic is used to produce contention between leaders, coworkers and husbands and wives. It can also be used to break up ministries and entire churches.

Accusation and slander – this may be done in secret, against the person who dared to confront Jezebel. Or it can be done in public to intimidate.

Witchcraft – Jezebel may send spirit of witchcraft against those opposing it. Witchcraft brings fear, confusion, distraction deception, etc.

The Spirit of Jezebel effects our Nation

Queen Jezebel was a murderer, as discussed above. The religion she ruled, Baal worship, involved the sacrifice of children. Today, Jezebel rules over abortion and child pornography in our country. Although we do not call it Baal worship, the result is the same, the sacrifice of children for the freewill and pleasure of others.

Why We Embrace Jezebel and Ahab

People who become controllers have often times been controlled by others. Some people had a very controlling mother or father. We have learned their ways. We may be programmed to be controlling from our home environment.

People who have been abused feel a deep sense of loss of control. Later in life, they sometimes seek to protect themselves by controlling every aspect of their lives. Never again will they feel out of control of a situation. This person has opened themselves up to the spirit of Jezebel.

Rejection and insecurity are openings in our lives for Jezebel to operate. Control gives people a feeling of power. It can give us a sense of power and superiority over others.

Bitterness and resentment are an open door for Jezebel. Those who feel hurt and unappreciated may try to find ways retaliate. They may become overly prideful of their accomplishments and resentful against those in authority who did not appreciate them. This can open the door to pride and rebellion, where Jezebel operates effectively.

Defeating the Spirit of Jezebel

Because the spirit of Jezebel is a ruling principality, it takes great effort to come out from under its influence. When one has embraced this spirit, they have allowed deep strongholds to develop in their minds that must be pulled down.

A stronghold is an area of our mind and emotions that we have given over to wrong-thinking and attitudes. It is an area of our mind where deception has been so prevalent that we now think and act like the spirit that has attacked us. This way of thinking has become built into our nature and personality.

- In order to pull down a stronghold, you must first recognize that it is such. You must come to the conclusion that these thoughts and mindsets are not of God and must be defeated. You must recognize the enemy before you can defeat him. Do not blame others for your situation. Recognize that you have allowed Jezebel into your life and take responsibility for it
- Repent for embracing the spirit of Jezebel. When you have embraced Jezebel, you have agreed with its personality. You have agreed that it is ok to control, manipulate and intimidate. You have agreed that being under authority is not important. Repentance is the key to deliverance.
- Fall out agreement completely with the spirit of Jezebel. You must tear down the strongholds of Jezebel, once and for all.
- Participate in deliverance from the spirit of Jezebel and all those spirits that have been enlisted to attack and torment you. This involves binding and loosing, but. Otherwise, deliverance will be unsuccessful and you will fall into your old ways of control and manipulation.
- Renew your mind with the Word of God. Take up the sword of the Spirit and do battle with the spirit of Jezebel. Stay in prayer.
- Forgiveness - ask those whom you have hurt to forgive you. This may be your spouse, church family, coworkers, etc. Also, forgive those who have hurt you.
- Renew your mind with the Word of God. You must take up the sword of the Spirit and do battle with the spirit of Jezebel and Ahab.
- Stay in prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen you.

Breaking the Curse of Jezebel

Participation with Jezebel bring with it certain curses. In Revelation, the Lord spoke to the church of Thyatira, and to us today, regarding Jezebel:

Nevertheless, I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce my servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.
And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality and she did not repent
Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds.
I will kill her children with death and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works. Revelation 2:20-23

Thus, the curses that come with tolerating Jezebel include:

- Those who come into agreement with Jezebel will suffer great *tribulation*:

Affliction	Burden
Pressure	Persecution
Anguish	Trouble

(from the original Greek, *thlipsis*)

- A spirit of infirmity is assigned that can result in sickness and disease.
- A spirit of death is assigned to those in agreement with Jezebel.

This could include premature death, fear, torment, death of anointing, calling, ministry.

These curses can affect the person who embraced Jezebel, and also those who tolerated Jezebel and allowed it to operate.

In order to break the curse of Jezebel and Ahab, you need to repent of all involvement with these spirits and specifically pray to break the curse. This prayer is attached.

Spirit of Jezebel – Ministry List

1. Speak the following prayer of repentance out loud;

Father God, I repent that I have allowed the spirit of Jezebel to influence me. I renounce all aspects of the spirit of Jezebel: Jezebel thinking, attitudes, emotions, habits and actions. I recognize that I have allowed the spirit of Jezebel in my life and I now renounce and rebuke the spirit of Jezebel. I ask for forgiveness and that the curses be broken, in the name of Jesus Christ.

2. Repent for, renounce and cast out any of the following spirits you have allowed in your life or that you recognize in your generations:

Control	Religious spirit	Lust	Strife
Manipulation	Deception	Fantasy Lust	Division
Intimidation	Pride	Perversion	Jealousy
Dominance	Arrogance	Fornication	Fear
Witchcraft	Rebellion	Accusation	
Matriarchal Control	Seduction –	Slander	
Fornication	seducing spirits	Strife & Division	

3. Break the curse of the Jezebel spirit. Speak the following out loud:

Father God, I now take authority over all curses coming from the Jezebel Spirit and I break them. I cancel their assignment on my life and call them all null and void, in the name of Jesus Christ.

I cancel the curse of *great tribulation* and all:

Affliction	Burden
Pressure	Persecution
Anguish	Trouble

I cancel the curse of death and destruction and all of its assignments on my life.

I cancel the curses of *infirmity, sickness and disease* and their assignments on my life.

4. Give Thanks. I thank you Lord, for the healing and deliverance that has taken place in my life. I give you all the praise and glory.