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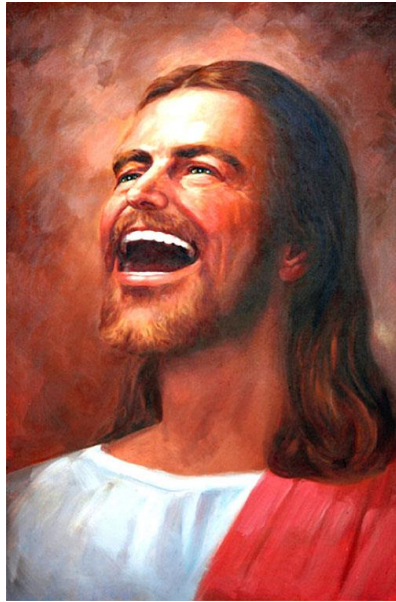
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- ▶ The significance of the KOG and how healing took place within the '**now**' and the '**not yet**' of Kingdom Theology.
- ▶ In **Healing 2** the course will focus again on the Biblical paradigm of the KOG and its practical implications pertaining to '**emotional**' healing and **deliverance** ministry.

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- ▶ **Emotional healing** usually focuses on bringing a person to psycho-emotional wholeness through the healing of past hurts, painful memories, damaged emotions and broken self-esteem. In general, healing the destructive effects of life's hurts. We all suffer the consequences of living in a fallen world.
- ▶ We cannot stop life's hurts coming upon us, but **we can decide how to respond to them.**

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- ▶ 1. Healing of the Spiritual/Moral aspects
- ▶ 2. Healing of the Emotions
- ▶ 3. Healing of the Demonised
- ▶ 4. Healing of the Body
- ▶ 5. Healing of Relationships
- ▶ 6. Healing of the Dying and the Dead

Key here is the '**wholistic**' understanding of human nature. The 6 dimensions 'flow' into one another.

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“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to **preach** good news to the poor, **heal** the bruised and brokenhearted, **speak** release to the captives, **open** the eyes of the blind, **free** those who are oppressed, and to **announce** God’s Jubilee.” (Luke 4:18)

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Deliverance from Demonisation

- ▶ This area of Healing is often hard to accept. To have a demon is **unthinkable**. Our Western worldview dismisses it. It only happens in primitive societies. To a lot of people the issue is **taboo**.
- ▶ Do not believe in the existence of **personal evil**.
- ▶ **Metaphorical and principle**, not **literal and personal**.

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- ▶ **'primitive myths'** or **'spiritualised'** into symbolic teachings.
- ▶ **He does not exist!!**
- ▶ Two extremes (1) the one just mentioned, **unbelief** in the demonic realm. (2) obsessive belief in making him **responsible for everything**. There is a demon for every situation (demon behind every bush, tree).

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- ▶ **Balance!!** The Scripture speaks of Satan, Beelzebub, the devil, fallen angels, principalities and powers, rulers, authorities, demons, wicked or unclean spirits.
- ▶ We are in a **battle** as Christians standing against the works of the devil and his minions.
- ▶ Jesus '**bound**' and '**defeated**' them in his life, death and resurrection. But, we experience this victory as '**already**' and '**not yet**' ; therefore we are in an **ongoing war**.

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The Healing of the Gerasene Demoniac (Mark 5:1-20)

- ▶ **Extreme** case of demonisation.
- ▶ **Every area** of his life was affected.
- ▶ He lived in **caves** and **tombs among the dead** (vers. 3,5).
- ▶ He was cut off from **social relationship**.

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- ▶ He slashed himself **physically** and tore his chains apart (vers. 4-5).
- ▶ He was tormented **emotionally** and **mentally (insanity)**, often screaming out loud (ver. 5).
- ▶ He was cut off **spiritually** from the God of Israel; but even though he was controlled by 'an evil spirit' (ver.2), he could still choose to seek help. When he saw Jesus, he ran and fell before him (ver. 6). The great truth here is that no matter how severe the demonic influence, we can choose to turn to Jesus for help.

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- ▶ **The Confrontation.**
- ▶ (Verse 7) “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Swear to God that you will not torture me.”
- ▶ When confronted with God’s presence (Jesus), demons **manifest**.
- ▶ “My name is ‘**Legion**’, for we are many” (ver. 9). A legion was a battalion of 6,000 Roman foot soldiers, 120 horsemen, and technical personnel.

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- ▶ Perhaps so many demons formed one powerful force. The man was so fully possessed he was uncontrollable.
- ▶ He had the loss of all identity.
- ▶ They were sent to a herd of pigs which ran into the ocean and drown. The fate of the swine demonstrates the ultimate intention of the demons with respect to the man they possessed. Their purpose was to destroy the creation of God. Jesus allowed the demons to enter the swine to indicate that their real purpose was the total destruction of their host.

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- ▶ In all of this, Jesus' presence overthrows the power of Satan's evil.
- ▶ As Christians, we too bring God's presence representing His judgment on evil.
- ▶ It is knowing and using Jesus' name that is the source of our authority.

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Jesus brings Healing

- ▶ They found him clothed and in his right mind (ver. 15).
- ▶ His dignity was restored, mentally, emotionally, socially, and spiritually. He told his family and friends what Jesus had done (vers. 19-20).
- ▶ Word spread throughout the region (ver. 20).
- ▶ So radical was the transformation in this man that the townspeople were stunned and frightened (ver. 15).

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- ▶ God's Kingdom came with power defeating Satan and his hordes.
- ▶ "This whole story declares that the victory of Jesus over evil forces is a reality in which the liberating power of the Kingdom of God is manifested in an extension of the saving mercy of God." (William Lane)