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The following letter-form was brought about as a means of teaching my children the Word of God through the mail. And of course, quite naturally so, that's the reason I begin these letters with "Dear Children" and end them with "Love Dad". So for the rest of you who participate in these weekly messages, please keep their original intended purpose in mind.

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Dear Children,

We're back! And would anyone care to guess what unbelievable topic we're going to be discussing today? Well I know you're going to find this one hard to believe, so why don't I just give it to you straight... like the Lord gave it to me!

Because you see it was on the 25th of April that the Lord gave me Luke 12:11 — "And when they bring you into the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:" — and He followed it up by saying that it applied to Frances Swaggart. So just what in the world do you figure He meant by that?

Well the best way to answer that question is by going back to the sermonet *Jimmy Swaggart And The Accursed!* (12/30/01). I mean after all, when it comes to the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries, that was the one that kicked-off this "snake hunting" adventure in the first place. In fact it was in that particular message that we made the following God-directed statement concerning Frances Swaggart that was unknowingly a very real prediction: "Because you see for several weeks now the Lord's been rehearsing John chapter 16:1-3 in my little old mind: "These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.""

That Should Have Remained "If"! (3/24/02) we made the following announcement that it had actually come true: "So what do you think about that? Well now that my tongue's been delivered it's time to speak some of God's correction to Sister Swaggart. Because you see even though our sermonet Jimmy Swaggart And The Accursed! (12/30/01) was of God — totally directed by His Holy Spirit — it outraged Sister Swaggart's sinful flesh to the point that she actually took me off the mailing list for the Jimmy Swaggart Home Church Videos (no more videos since January). I mean even though I've supported the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries since 1984, and likewise been a member of their Home Church since it's conception (early 1990), she allowed her sinful flesh to control her actions. God's Divine Will for my life through the Jimmy Swaggart Home Church Videos has been stopped because of Sister Swaggart's sinful flesh."

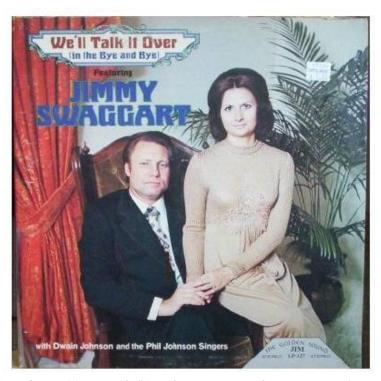
You see Frances Swaggart actually "put me out of the synagogue" when she saw to it that I no longer got the JSM Home Church videos. And iffin that wasn't bad enough, she also saw to it that I no longer receive the JSM monthly magazine *The Evangelist*.

So all of that was actually the fulfillment of God's prediction as found in the Scripture of John 16:1-3. And getting back to His new prediction of Luke 12:11 — "And when they bring you into the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:" — would anybody care to guess how Sister Swaggart will make this one come true?

I mean, to be perfectly honest with you, I really figured after that last sermonet — *Jimmy Swaggart And His Spiritual*. Adultery! (4/21/02) — that Father God had said about all that He was going to say on the subject of JSM... that is until the 25th of April when He not only gave me Luke 12:11 concerning Sister Swaggart but also I Corinthians 11:13 too: "Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?"

So what does it all mean? Well that's exactly what I asked the Father, and through much prayer I've received the following title for this week's sermonet: Is Jimmy Swaggart's Wife "Frances" Really Uncovered?

What a title, right? Well please keep it in mind that I don't pick the titles or the subject matter for these little sermonets; Father God does it all! And with that in mind let's continue right on along in this



message with God's chosen Scripture of Matthew chapter 11, verse 12: "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

OK, now this is right about where everything we've been talking about, concerning the error of the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries, kinda like all comes into play. Because the main problem with what Brother Swaggart is preaching/teaching on "Christ and Him Crucified" can be corrected through a proper understanding of this New Testament "kingdom of heaven" that must be forcefully taken by the "violent" Christian.

So just what is this "kingdom of heaven" in the first place? Would you believe it's the part of the Christian that has been totally taken over by the Holy Spirit as a result of what Jesus did at the Cross? It's like what happens to the Christian on the inside when they've finally crucified some of their sinful flesh and gone on to receive the "fullness of the Spirit" as it relates to the "Seven Spirits Of God" (see <u>Jimmy Swaggart And His Spiritual Adultery!</u> (4/21/02)). In other words at this point in time the Christian has actually been made a little more into the "image of Jesus".

But anyway, as the Christian's "kingdom of sinful flesh" is killed off God's "kingdom of heaven" takes over... but it only comes about through this thing called "violence". In fact seeing how this is part XVIII in this series on the "human body and sin" — the one we've so accurately entitled *How Do You Want Your Fire... Now Or Later?* — I'd like to say that one day, through the grace of God, we're going to explain how all this "violent fire" actually takes place inside the human body at the cellular level. However, seeing how we ain't there yet, I guess we'll just have to be satisfied with a definition of "violence" from Finis Jennings Dake:

"Gr. biazo, to use force, to force one's way into a thing. The idea is that <u>before John</u> the kingdom could only be viewed in the light of prophecy, <u>but now it was preached</u>, men pressing into it with ardor resembling violence or desperation. They appeared as if they would seize it by force (v. 112; Luke 16:16). It expresses <u>the earnestness</u> that man must have in getting rid of sin, all satanic powers, the world, <u>and in standing true when relatives oppose them</u> (Mt. 10:34-39)."

Now in the plain and simple of it, this word "violence" is the <u>results</u> of the "New Testament Gospel Message" that's been <u>taken and processed into an action</u> by the Believer. Violence is the natural by-product of the Christian walking in obedience to the Word of God. In fact in Matthew 10:34-39 Jesus makes it abundantly clear what His "New

Testament Gospel Message" is all about: "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his own cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

So you see the way us Christians turn our "kingdom of sinful flesh" into a "kingdom of heaven" is by just doing whatever the Lord tells us to do — His Gospel — and we must do it fully expecting all Hell to break lose in our family! It's called "take up your cross and follow Jesus" because that's the only way a Christian is ever going to "crucify the flesh" and be "transformed into the image of Christ". **The "violent" must take the kingdom of heaven by force!**

And, having said all that, it's time to get back to the subject of Brother Swaggart's wife Frances. Because by reading from Genesis 3:16 we're going to pick-up a hint or two on what this message is all about: "Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee."

OK, so that's what God's Word has to say about the "wife", but what do you say we take this Scripture a little bit further by seeing what *Matthew Henry's Commentary* has to say about it:

"We have here the sentence passed upon the woman for her sin. Two things she is condemned to: a state of sorrow, and a state of subjection, proper punishments of a sin in which she had gratified her pleasure and her pride... She is here put into a state of subjection... This sentence amounts only to that command, Wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; but the entrance of sin has made that duty a punishment, which otherwise it would not have been. If man had not sinned, he would always have ruled with wisdom and love; and, if the woman had not sinned, she would always have obeyed with humility and meekness; and then the dominion would have been no grievance: but our own sin and folly make our yoke heavy. If Eve had not eaten forbidden fruit herself, and tempted her husband to eat it, she would never have complained of her subjection; therefore it ought never to be complained of, though harsh; but sin must be complained of, that made it so. Those wives who not only despise and disobey their husbands, but domineer over them, do not consider that they not only violate a divine law, but thwart a divine sentence. Because of the curse, Eve would have to fight against a desire to master her husband, which would subvert God's ordained order for the home."

Now what Matthew Henry brought-out in his commentary is the "violent fact" of sin. You see before Eve took her first "sinful bite" of the forbidden fruit her body was nothing but the "kingdom of heaven". There was absolutely no "kingdom of sinful flesh" in her. She was walking in total agreement to the Heavenly Father because His Spirit was totally in her. What God demanded of her kinda like came natural — she was <u>naturally</u> "submissive to her husband" — that is until she committed "the sin". Because from that point on it was absolutely necessary that Eve "fight violently" against her "sinful fleshly desire to be in control of her husband" in order to be obedient to God the Father!

So that was what Matthew Henry had to say about it, but what do you say we get just one more opinion? His name is David Guzik and the following is what he had to say in the *David Guzik Study Guide*:

"The idea of Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you is that the woman would desire to rule over her husband, yet God will ordain it that men have the leadership in the family

i. This same word of desire is used in 4:7 of the desire of sin to master Cain. Because of the curse, Eve would have to fight against a desire to master her husband, which would subvert God's ordained order for the home ii. Male headship in the home was before the fall (Genesis 2:18, 22); but now the curse on Eve makes it much harder for her to submit and flow with God's institution of male headship in the home iii. "As a result of the fall, man no longer rules easily; he must fight from his headship. Sin has corrupted both the willing submission of the wife and the loving headship of the husband. The woman's desire is to control her husband (to usurp his divinely appointed headship), and he must master her, if he can. So the rule of love founded in paradise is replaced by struggle, tyranny and domination." (Susan T. Foh, cited in Boice)"

Now you'll have to admit that what we've just read about God's chosen role for the wife is <u>not</u> what most Christian husbands are presently being taught by the church or their Christian wives. In fact to take this Divine Principle of God one step further we need to turn to Ephesians 5:22-27 and see what the Holy Spirit had to say through Paul: "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

So what do you think about that? Well I dare say that for most Christians what Paul described as the role of the husband is down right blasphemous! I mean how in the world can the husband be the saviour of his wife? Can he actually be crucified for her sins?

Well the answer to that question lies in a proper understanding of the term "Jesus Christ and Him Crucified". Because as we've said so many times before, it's only through what Jesus did on the Cross that the Believer's sinfilled body can likewise be crucified and made righteous in the image of Jesus. And of course the way this miraculous "sin to righteousness" transformation actually takes place inside the Believer is through the Holy Spirit's Seven Step Process (see *Jimmy Swaggart And His Spiritual Adultery! (4/21/02)* and the Seven Spirits Of God).

Because you see in the plain and simple of it, what actually happens during this Seven Step Process is that Jesus Christ becomes the "Head" of the Believer's "body". In other words Jesus (the Head) tells His body (the Believer) what to do through the Holy Spirit so that the Believer can make his or her body just do what it's been told to do. And it's through this process of hearing from the Head and obeying the Head that the body of the Believer gets crucified along the way — it slowly but surely "dies to the sinful flesh" and becomes "born of His Spirit".

So the Head becomes the Saviour of the Believer's body as the Believer walks in obedience to what the Head says. And with all that in mind, it should now be a little easier to understand God's Perfect Design of the husband and wife: The husband, being led by the Holy Spirit, is to be the head of his wife in order for her to crucify her sinful flesh and become born of His Spirit: "For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body."

Now with all that in mind it should be a little easier understanding why so many wives have such a hard time becoming born-again. I mean first of all crucifixion just flat-out ain't no fun (step #6 of God's Seven Step Process). Being tied to a flaming altar and having your sinful flesh burned-up is not what most folks would consider a fun-filled picnic. And what makes matters even worse about this "flesh burning ordeal" is that the wife has to receive her final instructions on how to do it from her husband! What a blow for the woman!

However, as bad as that might be, it is God's Plan of Salvation for the married woman and it must be done in accordance to His Divine Will. That is the <u>flesh-burning altar</u> that God has designed for the wife and that is the altar that must be used. And while we're on the subject of "alternate altars", this is as good a place as any to read the Scripture from II Kings 16:10-16 before heading on into Brother Swaggart's sermon on the same:

"And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglathpilser king of Assyria, and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof. And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it against king Ahaz came from Damascus. And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar; and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon. And he brought also the brasen altar, which was before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar. And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and

the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire by. Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded."

OK, so what we've just read is exactly what happens when Believers decide not to follow God's Salvation Process... **they build another altar!** But not wanting to steal Brother Swaggart's thunder, let's see what he's got to say about this Scripture:

(The following excerpt was taken from Jimmy Swaggart's sermon <u>The New Altar</u> as found on the *Family Worship Center Home Church video - Fourth Sunday/January*, 2001.)

And he [Ahaz] sent word back by runner to Urijah the priest, "We're going to build a new altar, to sit in front of the temple in Jerusalem, of the same design that is built for the worship of Baal". Ba-al! Now, hear me, this is also the problem of the modern church. Ahaz did not throw away the other altar, it was built, the new one was built, but he pushed the new one [should have been the old one] and said we'll see what we will do with it... This is the Ahaz who sinned against God as no king of Judah ever had and replaced the altar of God. But thank God, thank God his son Hezekiah took office when Ahaz died. And Hezekiah cleaned house. Hallelujah! He cleaned out the temple; he cleaned, he tore down the high places, he took that stupid, abominable, asinine, idiotic, ungodly, wicked, reprobate altar, and he did not say "We'll set it aside as a monument to my father", he chopped the thing up — (Brother Swaggart speaks in tongues.) Ho! Glory to God! Glory to God! — until there was nothing left of it. Put back the altar of God! I know my son, and as long as God gives breath to live and a voice to preach I'll preach the Cross, but if Jesus tarries and the day comes He calls me home, if he doesn't preach the Cross 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, may God's judgment strike him — and I have every confidence that he shall. And the day ever come, if Jesus tarries, that there is someone behind this pulpit who preaches a new altar, may God strike this place with judgment and turn it into a barrel factory. Because it'll do more good making barrels than it will trying to call itself church, because church is lifting up Jesus Christ and Him Crucified.

So what do you think about that message? Well I certainly hope that Brother Swaggart doesn't practice what he preaches by turning the Family Worship Center into a barrel factory! Because the fact of the matter is that **Brother Swaggart is the one** who's not only preaching another altar but also using another altar in his worship to God... and his "another altar" problem goes directly back to his wife!

Can you believe it? Well I certainly hope you can because this takes us right back to the question Father God directed at Sister Swaggart: "Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?" And, just in case you haven't already figured-out the answer, the truth of the matter is that Frances Swaggart is uncovered and Jimmy Swaggart has even allowed it!

Wow! Do you believe it? Well before we get too deep into our little discussion on "Frances being uncovered", what do you say we first figure out what "uncovered" actually means by reading I Corinthians 11, verses 7 through 13: "For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man. For the man is not of the woman: but the woman of the man. Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man. For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head [covering in sign that she is under the power of her husband] because of the angels. Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord. For as the woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God. Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?"

Now the easiest way to deal with this thing about the "covering" is to look at it as a "shield" that <u>blocks</u> the "Flesh-killing Resurrection Power" from "On High". It all relates back to the fact that Jesus is to be the Head of the husband but the husband is to be the head of his wife. In other words "if" the wife really and truly wants to be obedient to the Father's Perfect Plan she will do everything necessary in order to seek her husband's approval before she does anything. She will not try to go directly to God the Father as the "Source of Power" but will respect her husband's delegated authority to give her God's instructions. And of course "if" the husband really and truly wants to be

obedient to the Father's Perfect Plan he will do everything necessary in order to receive those instructions from God the Father and pass them on to his wife.

So, having said all that, I can now honestly relate to you the fact that this "design of God" for the married couple is truly the "altar of God" that will sacrifice a whole bunch of the married couple's sinful flesh. I mean, when it comes to the husband and wife living their married lives God's Way, it's absolutely guaranteed that there's going to be lots of "violence" all along the way... but that's the way God's designed it... because it's meant to kill-off lots and lots of sinful flesh.

You see this all goes back to the beginning when God made woman to be the "help meet" for man. I had always questioned what Genesis 2:20 actually meant, but I got my answer in a very "real-life way" when I started obeying God's Perfect Plan for the husband and wife in my own marriage. I mean I sorta like went to "Hell and back" during the last 10 years of my marriage by walking in obedience to God's Word. I did what He said and because of it I've been made more in the image of Jesus. In other words my ex-wife Annie actually "helped me meet" the Lord by providing the "flaming marriage altar" and burning-up some of my sinful flesh.

I mean I did lots of "dying to the flesh" during our marriage so that I could be "rebirthed in His Spirit"... and that's exactly what Romans 12:1-2 is all about: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye **present your bodies a living sacrifice**, **holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And** be not conformed to this world: but **be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what **is** that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

So you see God's Word is the Light that will always lead us to His one and only "violent altar" in order to become His "living sacrifice": "God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar." (Psalm 118:27)

That's the way God's designed it, but just "what if" one or the other, or maybe even both of the marriage couples doesn't want to obey God? Well that's right about where the Scripture from I Samuel 15:22-23 kinda like swings into action: "And Samuel said, **Hath the Lord** *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in <u>obeying</u> the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, *and* to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft [divination], and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from *being* king."

You see the Lord <u>demands</u> that we walk in obedience to His Word and become "living sacrifices" in order to "violently take the kingdom of heaven by force"... and it even applies to the married couple. That's the way God's designed it and of course we will find His "one and only altar" by just obeying His Word. However, if for any reason one or the other marriage couples decides not to walk in obedience to God's Word then it's pretty much guaranteed that their fleshly actions will soon become very "bewitching"... as in witchcraft!

Frightening, ain't it! Well if it doesn't scare you it certainly does me... because I've personally experienced this "witchcraft" at work in my previous marriage to Annie. I mean it really blew my mind the way it all happened! You see the Lord tried to make our marriage work, but as Annie continued refusing God's leading to "submit to your husband" her actions towards me soon became very "bewitching". In other words whatever it was that she wanted had a very strong power behind it that made me weak to resist. Even though I knew what she wanted was not what God wanted, her bewitching power make it extremely hard for me to just say no.

And having said all that we can get back to what's been said previously concerning Frances Swaggart's "overpowering control" in Jimmy Swaggart's life and ministry. According to God Almighty, she is the bottom line reason for all the problems in the Jimmy Swaggart Ministry, and the only way they're going to be resolved is if Brother Swaggart takes back his position as the "head".

So will he do it? Well I certainly hope that he does, because if he doesn't we're going to see a repeat performance of Jimmy Swaggart getting knocked to the ground as the results of sin. God Almighty wants to break Jimmy Swaggart's yoke of sin, but it can't be done unless Jimmy Swaggart is willing to climb up on God's one and only

altar. He must be willing to lose everything he's got — which even includes Frances — in order to break the yoke of sin that's still around his neck.

In fact while we're on the subject of Frances Swaggart's "overpowering control", it was on the 23rd of April that the Lord had me watch a very powerful video in preparation for this message. Now even though it's going to be very hard for me to accurately describe what went on during that 1997 Easter Campmeeting Service, I'll do the best job that I can under the circumstances. Because you see when it comes to the Supernatural Workings of the Holy Spirit, it's impossible to properly put what He does into words. And considering what happened to Donnie Swaggart during that particular service, my job of trying to explain it is going to be extremely tough.

But anyway, as I watched the video, one of the first things the Holy Spirit pointed out to me was that Frances Swaggart was not seated in the pulpit area by her husband. She wasn't there in the service and the Holy Spirit let me know that that's the way Father God had planned it. Because you see what was about to take place in the life of Donnie was in effect what needed to happen to Brother Swaggart too... and it all goes back to Frances Swaggart's "overpowering control" of other people. She wasn't there because <u>Donnie</u> was about to be delivered from his mother's "overpowering control".

(The following excerpt was taken from *The Easter Camp Meeting '97* video #14-181.)

(Jimmy Swaggart prays before taking the offering:)

Father in the Name of Jesus, we love you so much, and I'm asking that today would be the day that You would move in a mighty way in this place. I'm asking you to anoint Donnie with Power from on high. (Brother Swaggart laughs in the Spirit.) Hallelujah! Let us hear the Sound from Heaven today as of a Rushing Mighty Wind. Praise God! (Brother Swaggart speaks in tongues.) Bless this giving, and we'll ask it all in the Name of Jesus. Hallelujah to the Lamb of God! — You may come.

(Jimmy Swaggart sings the offering song:)

Well someday soon, church I'm leaving, going to a meeting round the throne, I'm going to shout, troubles are over, soon as I move to my brand new home...

(Jimmy Swaggart introduces Donnie:) Donnie come preach.

(Donnie Swaggart preaches:)

My goodness there's enough victory in this house, there's enough faith in this house, praise God! Thank you Jesus! Thank you Jesus. (Donnie speaks in tongues.) You could get healed right now. If you need the Holy Ghost you can be filled right now. If you're lost you can be saved right now. Praise God. Thank you Jesus. Hallelujah. (Donnie speaks in tongues.) Hallelujah, hallelujah.

(Donnie becomes totally overcome with the Holy Spirit. He speaks only in tongues while his body goes through some very unusual movements. It appears as if a very heavy yoke has been placed on his shoulders and then removed. As the yoke is being removed Donnie is almost lifted off the floor and then flipped over onto his back on the floor. For approximately the next five minutes Donnie remains on his back and on the floor while the congregation gives praises to the Lord in tongues. The following Word from the Lord is then given by someone in the audience:)

The Lord saith unto this house that the spirit of the enemy that has been sent from Hell to destroy this house and destroy this work this day has been banished, has been lifted saith the Lord your God. Because you have been faithful to keep on going in the midst of adversity the Lord saith this day the yoke has been destroyed!

(Donnie Swaggart gets back on his feet. After a Word from the Lord is given by someone in the audience he precedes with his sermon.)

(Donnie Swaggart preaches:)

Hallelujah, it's finished! It's finished! The bondage is broken, it's finished. The sickness is healed, it's finished. The barren land will run sweet with the cool clear water because it's finished. Halleluiah! Open your Bible — hallelujah — to the 4th chapter — hallelujah. (Donnie speaks in tongues.) Oh hallelujah. I love you Jesus. I love you. (A Word from the Lord given by someone in the audience.) Hallelujah, Praise God. Luke chapter 4. Hallelujah. The Words of Christ, verse 18, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord." Hallelujah, hallelujah. In the statement that Christ made to "preach deliverance to the captives', the word "captive" there means "prisoners of war". Prisoners of war. For every man, woman, boy, girl, teenager that does not know Christ, they are a prisoner of war. But He said I've come to preach deliverance to the captives. I've come to loose the prison cell and to let the prisoners go free. And the title of this message, if I can get through it today, is "To Preach Deliverance To The Captives." And I'm not a prophet, but I just feel right now there's some prisoners of war that are going to be set free. Hallelujah. (Donnie prays and then gets back to his message.) The 4th chapter of Luke is the great Holy Spirit chapter of this book. It begins in verse 1 with the words "And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost was led by the Spirit". And in the 14th verse it says "And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit" telling us and showing us that everything we do must be done in the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit. It's not by might or by power but it's by His Spirit saith the Lord of host...

Now the amazing thing about this supernatural display of the Holy Spirit was that it happened to Donnie. I mean when you go back to the reason given for God doing what He did during that service — The Lord saith unto this house that the spirit of the enemy that has been sent from Hell to destroy this house and destroy this work this day has been banished...the yoke has been destroyed! — you would have naturally expected it to happen to Jimmy Swaggart and not his son. After all, it was Jimmy Swaggart's yoke of sin concerning the prostitute that brought utter chaos to the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries. So why wasn't it Jimmy Swaggart who got deliverance from the enemy instead of Donnie?

Well first of all, don't you just love the message that the Lord gave Donnie for this very special event — "To Preach Deliverance To The Captives." You see this all goes back to what we've been trying to say throughout our four (4) sermonet messages to Brother Swaggart: You can't be delivered from the yoke of sin unless you walk in obedience to God's Word. This is what the Cross of Christ is all about! We must accept what Jesus has done at the Cross, receive His Spirit in us to clean us up, and then just do whatever He tells us to do come "Hell or high water". The Believer's yoke of sin will be destroyed through their suffering as they walk in obedience to God's Word!

In fact the very good example given by Donnie in his message was that of our Perfect Example Jesus. The first thing Jesus did at the start of His ministry was to be filled with the Spirit, which was followed by Him being led by the Spirit into the wilderness to suffer and be tempted by Satan, and finally the triumphant Jesus returning in the Power of the Spirit after having passed His test. That's how Jesus did it and that's how the Believer must do it. Jesus Christ was the First to fully experience all Seven Spirits of God, and of course the outcome of His encounter was that He "returned in the power of the Spirit."

Alright, so let's get back to the question of "why wasn't it Jimmy Swaggart who got deliverance from the enemy instead of Donnie?" Well Donnie is the one who's suffered on God's altar, in obedience to God's Word, so that his mother's "overpowering control" is no longer "bewitching" him... but the question is "will Jimmy Swaggart ever do the same?" Will Brother Swaggart destroy the "other altar" he's built because of his wife Frances, or will his son have to be the one to do it after he's gone? I mean after all, that is exactly what Brother Swaggart preached in his sermon: "This is the Ahaz who sinned against God as no king of Judah ever had and replaced the altar of God. But thank God, thank God his son Hezekiah took office when Ahaz died. And Hezekiah cleaned house. Hallelujah! He cleaned out the temple; he cleaned, he tore down the high places, he took that stupid, abominable, asinine, idiotic, ungodly, wicked, reprobate altar, and he did not say "We'll set it aside as a monument to my father", he chopped the thing up"!!!

What a message... I just pray that someone takes it to heart! And just as the Lord would have it, we've got one last Scripture for Frances Swaggart. Because by reading from Obadiah 1:3-4 we find the following very powerful words

from God to her: "The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground? Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD."

It's hard getting rid of the sinful flesh, and of course that's the reason why we must be willing to sacrifice ourselves for Jesus. We must first hear His Word, and then obey His Word through all the suffering and pain, so that we can Keep On Keeping The Faith In Jesus!!! (For additional information on the "spirit in Frances Swaggart" see the prophetic Word Covenant With Jezebel And Witchcraft In The Church and our sermonet A Christian Marriage Outside The Law! (12/28/03)).

Love,

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Update: The following e-mail was received on the 29th of April, 2003, concerning the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries and what "thus saith the Lord" through us:

From: M and P Montague (shofar12@juno.com) To: FMHCCI@aol.com, bruce@fmh-child.org Sent: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 18:32:53 -0500

Subject: JSM, etc.

Dear Bruce.

You don't know me, but I've seen your workings of the Lord before, on your site today and previously on other sites(?), such as InJesus.com or GladTidings.com or maybe Third Day Prophetic.com? I think I've seen your web email address from somewhere or some other link, like when you had a prophetic word for the Body and it would be sent to another link.

And what does FMH means?

Anyway, I read your testimony and the correspondedses between you and some of the staff at JSM going back a few years. You may know this already from the Lord through others or you may not, but since I live somewhere in the JSM area, I thought you should know the following (please don't think I am gossiping, this is to confirm what you heard from The Lord is on the line):

The source is reliable; it came from someone who is a longtime member of the Family Worship Ctr., so what I'm about to tell you just happened this past month.

The email you sent Philip Pimlott back 3 years ago (see *Jimmy Swaggart And The Accursed! (12/30/01)*), where the Lord told you to warn him that he's not where he should be and why, etc? Then his wife Tabitha got offended and responded back in the flesh, missing the whole point from the Lord? Well...they are no longer with JSM or FWC. The story being told is that Tabitha has accepted to go on tour with the Gaither Singers and travel with that ministry. Philip has left also, and Gabriel Swaggart (Donnie's son) is now over Crossroads. Interestingly though, Tabitha's mother, who has faithfully attended FWC for years and years, has left too. What is NOT being said is that Donnie "fired" Tabitha. Why and over what, I have no idea. That part was left sketchy and vague, so I'm not sure of the validity of that.

Bruce, does this mean anything to you?

Also, something else which has intrigued me. Sometimes, the Lord will have me see something about a situation or about someone that goes alot deeper or reveals more than what appears. My husband and I occasionally visit FWC

and we actually went the first night of Easter Campmeeting. There on the FREE table, was the 2001-2002 Membership Directories. I questioned why a church would give away free (or get rid of) its directories, even for the public and non-members to have access to. Well, that was answered by the above mentioned former members. But also, because supposedly, Donnie and Debbie Swaggart divorced not too long after the directories were published! Did you know this? Has the Lord revealed anything to you about Donnie and/or Debbie?? My husband and I wondered why we would never see Debbie in the services. And what blows me away, is that before I came across your website, there was a First Baptist Church's advertising back in March, that Donnie was going there to speak on--recovering from divorce. Is this true about this couple?

That's all I have. May God continue to mightily bless you and yours and the ministry He has put you in charge of.

In Christ, Pam



And, after having read through that very important e-mail from Sister Pam, the question came to mind as to "just how could the enemy have gotten through and destroyed Donnie and Debbie Swaggart's marriage?" I didn't have the slightest clue...that is until the 26th of June, 2003, when the Lord gave me the following Scripture as applying to Brother Donnie:

"I [am] the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright. But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, [but] that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it. And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you." (Leviticus 26:13-17)

So what do you think it all means? How does it apply to Brother Donnie and the "curse of divorce" that's now come on him?

Well by going back to the Supernatural display of God's Holy Spirit Power during the 1997 Easter Campmeeting Service, as that "yoke of sin" was removed from around Brother Donnie's neck, we can get the answer to our question on Brother Donnie's "curse of divorce".

Because it was my question to the Lord of "why wasn't it Jimmy Swaggart who got deliverance from the enemy instead of Donnie?" that got the following answer: "Donnie is the one who's suffered on God's altar, in obedience to God's Word, so that his mother's "overpowering control" is no longer "bewitching" him..."

So it was during the 1997 Easter Camp Meeting Service that Donnie Swaggart got delivered from the "yoke of his mother's overpowering control". He was set free through the Power of the Almighty!

However, what happened sometime later was what we find in God's Word (Leviticus 26:13-17) concerning Brother Donnie:

"... I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright. But if ye will not hearken unto me...so that ye will not do all my commandments... I will set my face against you"!

Donnie was "set free" from his mother's "overpowering control"...until he chose not to obey God in all that He had commanded him to do. God then "set his face against him" with the resulting consequence being Brother Donnie's "curse of divorce".

In fact God's Word clearly states how Brother Donnie should have handled the situation with his mother: "Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh." (Genesis 2:24)