

Victory Hour

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Jezebel: The Seductive Spirit



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Introduction

Queen Jezebel, the daughter of a king (Ethbaal in Sidon), the wife of a king (Ahab), and the mother of a king (Ahaziah), is one of the most wicked women in the Bible. Her marriage to Ahab was the result of a trade agreement between Ahab and her father. Because of this union, the worship of Baal, the god of fertility, rain and harvest, became widespread among God's people. Jezebel was manipulative, domineering and intimidating. She was a murderer of many of the Old Testament prophets and had Elijah on her hit list. After her grueling death, the name Jezebel is not found again in Scripture until Revelation 2:20. Though Revelation 2:20 speaks of a different woman, the two had the same evil spirit. Both were false prophetesses and seductresses. Thus, we can conclude from these two biblical examples that the spirit of Jezebel can live on, influence and operate in people today.

The Jezebel spirit is one of the most vicious opponents of the born again believer. It can work through anyone and seeks the vulnerable, seducible and controllable. Jezebel likes to mentor spiritual susceptible people and views them as ornaments who help her manipulate and advance her selfish goals. Jezebel targets those who are rebellious, weak or wounded and she knows how to use deep emotional hurts and wounds to mislead and exploit. Jezebel's aim is to pull people to herself and away from those who can speak truth into their lives. She understands, thoroughly, the power of isolation as she actively searches out the fainthearted and seducible. She seeks to woo those who are being disciplined or corrected by leadership and those living in quiet, yet artful, rebellion. She targets others who resent authority, complain, backbite or gossip. She looks for recruits who will carry her message – those that will tap into her immoral spirit and transfer it to as many others as possible. In the wake of every Jezebel spirit is a life of chaos, confusion and instability that ultimately leads to broken homes, marriages, relationships, churches and utter destruction.

The Jezebel spirit is actively opposing all who live a fervent Christian life. She will come against everyone who carries the voice of the Spirit of God, prophets and prophetic people alike, as well as those who are discerning and resisting the dark spiritual climates of their cities. Prophesying falsely herself, Jezebel thrives in deceitful spiritual authority – and she knows how to create, flow and operate in counterfeit manifestations of God's Spirit and government. Jezebel is an especially strong enemy of evangelistic ministry. Those who actively share their faith with family and friends are a serious threat and the devil will use the spirit of Jezebel to buffet their effectiveness in ministry (Jonas Clark, p. 7-8).

In these last and evil days, the three main demonic forces that will come against the church are that of false prophets, religious spirits and the spirit of Jezebel (Matt. 7:15; 24:24; II Tim. 3:1-9; 4:3-4a). As Christians, we've got to get in our rightful place of spiritual authority and expose the enemy's strategies and conquer his evil wiles.

1 Kings 16-21

- 1) She was a Woman of Influence
 - a. Her husband was wicked (1 Kings 16:31)
 - b. She was a murderer (I Kings 18:4)
 - c. The prophets ate at her table (I Kings 18:19)

- 2) She Was a Revengeful Woman (I Kings 19:1)
 - a. She was full of rage
 - b. She threatened Elijah

- 3) She Was a Dominating Woman (I Kings 21:5-15)
 - a. She was disrespectful
 - b. She was deceitful
 - c. She was divisive



- 4) Her Death (I Kings 21:23-24; II Kings 9:30-37)
 - a. It was prophesied
 - b. It was tragic

Revelation 2:20-29

- 1) She is deceitful
 - a. She is a false prophet/teacher
 - b. She is manipulative / deceptive – she lures her prey
 - c. Impenitence
 - d. God’s judgment

The Jezebel Spirit Today

- This spirit uses;
 - Seduction
 - Vain flattery, smooth prophetic sayings and seducing tears, sensual
 - Messengers
 - Fear and intimidation
 - An atmosphere of confusion
 - Control
 - Hindrance of the Holy Spirit and the prophetic gift
 - Taps into other’s hurts and wounds
 - Self-serving
 - Back stabber
 - Vying for authority
 - Manipulation
 - Mystical visions
 - Personal prophesy
 - Bondage
 - Isolation
- Jezebel’s Predictable Pattern
 - Jezebel targets leadership
 - Jezebel seeks a position in the local church
 - Jezebel creates soul ties
 - Jezebel flows in personal prophecy
 - Jezebel starts private ministry
 - Jezebel seeks information
 - Jezebel resists spiritual authority

Take a Stand Against the Spirit of Jezebel

- Walk in Spiritual Authority
 - Don’t let Jezebel usurp your authority
 - Don’t seek Jezebel’s approval
 - Don’t let the Jezebel spirit detach you from others
 - Don’t ask Jezebel to do anything for you
 - Don’t give in to Jezebel’s flattery, seductions and offers
- Repentance is the key
 - Death and destruction is inevitable – I Kings 21:23-29; II Kings 9:30-37)
 - Forgiveness is available – Rev. 2:21

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