

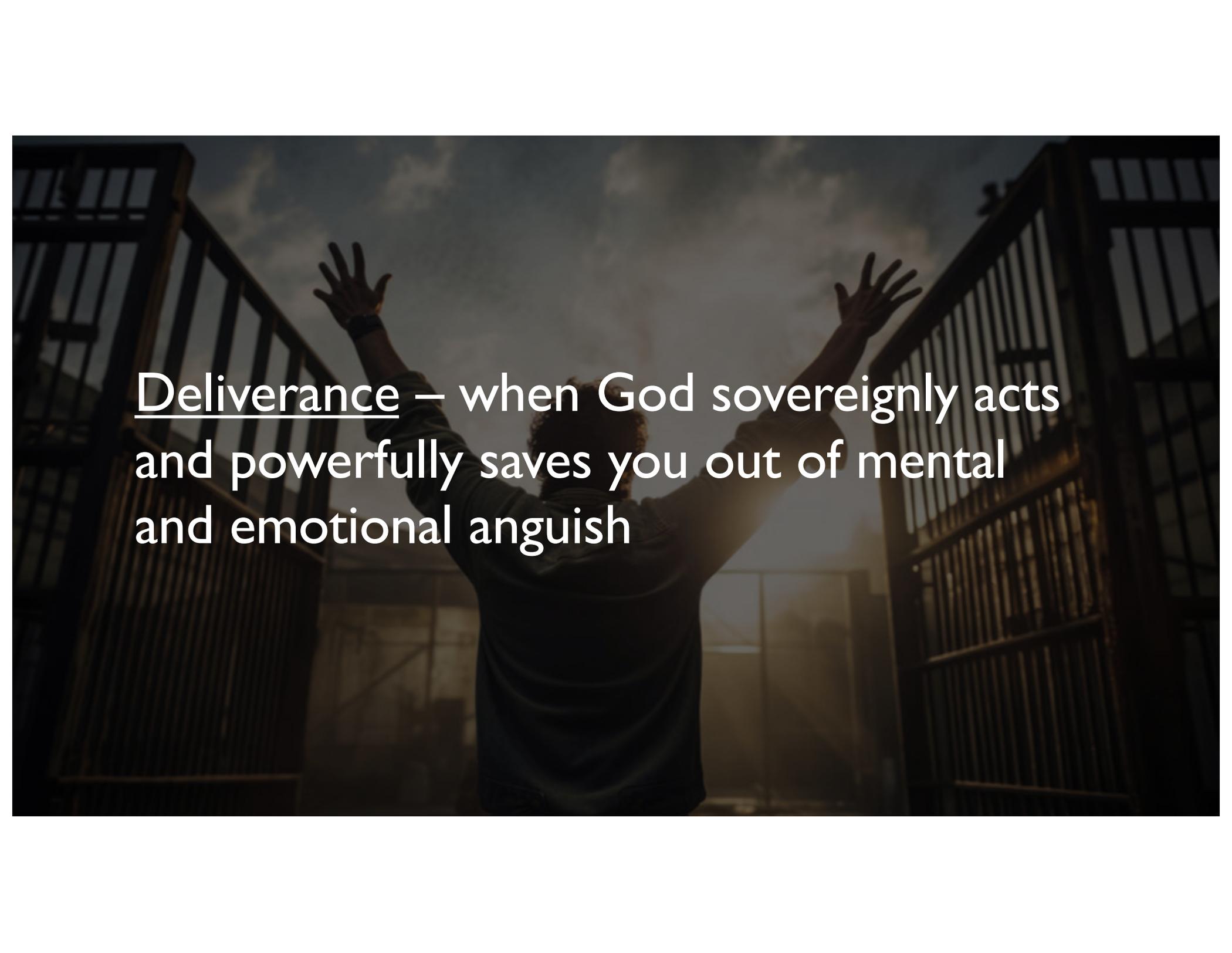
DELIVERANCE
OF AN
OPPRESSED
MIND





Symptoms – The Word of God is medicine for the mind

Cure – Spiritual source, therefore Jesus is the cure

A person is seen from behind, standing between two large, dark metal gates that are slightly ajar. The person's arms are raised high in the air, palms facing forward, in a gesture of prayer or praise. The background is a bright, hazy sky, possibly at sunrise or sunset, with some clouds. The overall mood is one of hope and liberation.

Deliverance – when God sovereignly acts and powerfully saves you out of mental and emotional anguish

Mark 12:24

Jesus replied, “Are you not in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God?”

2 Corinthians 10:2-5

² I beg you that when I come I may not have to be as bold as I expect to be toward some people who think that we live by the standards of this world.³ For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does.⁴ The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Mark 5:1-20

They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes.² When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him.³ This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain.⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him.⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

⁶ When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God’s name don’t torture me!” ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, “Come out of this man, you impure spirit!”

⁹ Then Jesus asked him, “What is your name?”

“My name is Legion,” he replied, “for we are many.” ¹⁰ And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

¹¹ A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside.

¹² The demons begged Jesus, “Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them.” ¹³ He gave them permission, and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

¹⁴ Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. ¹⁵ When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ¹⁶ Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man—and told about the pigs as well.

¹⁷ Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.
¹⁸ As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. ¹⁹ Jesus did not let him, but said, “Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” ²⁰ So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.

Mark 9

¹⁷ A man in the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.”

¹⁹ “You unbelieving generation,” Jesus replied, “how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.”

²⁰ So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

²¹ Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. ²² "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us."

²³ "'If you can?'" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes."

²⁴ Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "**I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!**"

²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again."

²⁶ The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

²⁸ After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?"

²⁹ He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

Leviticus 26:11-13

¹¹ I will put my dwelling place among you, and I will not abhor you. ¹² I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my people. ¹³ I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt so that you would no longer be slaves to the Egyptians; I broke the bars of your yoke and enabled you to walk with heads held high.

Psalm 3:8

Salvation belongs to the Lord. Your blessing is upon Your people.

Psalm 18:2

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Isaiah 43:11

I, even I, am the Lord, and besides Me there is no savior.

Psalms 34:17

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles.

Psalms 34:19

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

Colossians 1:13

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love.

A photograph of a dense forest with tall, thin trees and a thick canopy of bright green leaves. Sunlight filters through the trees, creating a dappled light effect on the forest floor. A dirt path winds through the trees from the foreground towards the background. In the center of the image, there is a white-bordered rectangular box containing the text "Is there anything you can do to experience deliverance?".

Is there anything you can do to experience deliverance?

Romans 10:13

Everyone who calls on the name of the
Lord will be saved.

Psalm 37:40

The Lord helps them and delivers them;
he delivers them from the wicked and
saves them,
because they take refuge in him.

Psalm 34:4

I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.

Romans 10:9–10

If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

GOD WANTS
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Matthew 10:1
Jesus called his twelve
disciples to him and gave
them authority to drive out
impure spirits and to heal
every disease and sickness.

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Mark 16:17-18

¹⁷ And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well.