REASONS FOR NOT RECEIVING DELIVERANCE

- 1. Lack of Repentance.
- 2. Lack of confession of sins
- 3. Lack of forgiveness
- 4. Lack of breaking with occults
- 5. Lack of determination. (Deliverance is for the desperate)

HOW DO I KEEP MY DELIVERANCE

- 1. Make Jesus Lord in all areas of your life including your thought life. Matthew 12:43 explains that if you are empty you are worse off.
- 2. Be filled in the Holy Spirit. Corrupt tree cannot bring good fruit. Every area of your life needs to be surrendered to the Lord. Holy Spirit is a demon flusher. Salvation is a way of life and we need to daily go from strength to strength and more and more become like Jesus.
- 3. Live by Gods Word. Jesus overcame the devil by quoting the Word of God. So how much more do we need to use the Word of God?
- 4. Put on the whole armour of God. Eph 6:11 onwards. Six items of armour to cover you from the devices of the enemy PROVIDED YOU DO NOT TURN BACK. Note, there is no armour for the back. If you turn back you will be wounded and become a casualty.

The seventh weapon is praying always, which needs to be exercised by us. The other key armour is the helmet of Salvation. That is protection of your mind, thought life. 1 Thel 5:8 refers to the hope of salvation. The protection of your mind is HOPE. Biblical faith is in the heart but biblical hope is in the mind. We need to be positive and be an optimist trusting in the Word of God.

We cannot always stop a thought coming into our head. But the key is not to dwell in it or let it take hold of us. For eg. Thoughts are like birds; they can fly over but never let it build a nest. Always learn to replace the negative by positive. Rom 8 :24, Col 1:27, Rom 8:28,

- 5. Garment of Praise Isa 61:3 garment of praise instead of spirit of heaviness. Daily we praise God as yesterday's victory is not enough for today's battles.
- 6. Cultivate the right relationship with God. Matthew 5. The beatitudes. Practice mercy so you can receive mercy.
- 7. Submit to discipline / correction Heb 12: 5 & 6
- 8. Make Jesus central. If you do so all else will fall in place. Matt 6:33