

## **BARNABAS CLUB**

### **Pre Encounter Session 3**

#### **Preparing our hearts for the encounter**

**How does it feel to be bound?**



**Look up and answer the questions below:-**

- a. Isaiah 61:1
- b. Rom 6:6-11
- c. Rom 1:29-32

#### **Circle the correct answer**

1. In Isaiah 61:1, the Bible says “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me....” Who is this “Me?” :
  - a. Saddam
  - b. Moses
  - c. Jesus
  
2. What was Jesus supposed to do according to Isaiah 61:1?
  - a. To bring salvation, heal the broken hearted and set the prisoners free.
  - b. To heal the lepers and set the animals free.
  - c. To choose the 12 disciples and send them as missionaries.

3. Who are the prisoners?
  - a. Those in Changi Prison.
  - b. The prisoners of war held in the Nazi camps.
  - c. Those people who are held prisoners by Satan.
  
4. How does Satan bind us?
  - a. He uses the strongest ropes or chains.
  - b. He trapped us by making us fall into the sins of our flesh.
  - c. He makes us look stupid.
  
5. How does sins trap us according to the lust of our flesh, eyes and pride of life?
  - a. When we become proud and don't need God.
  - b. When we go shopping and buy things that we don't need with the money we don't have.
  - c. When we eat too much chocolate.
  - d. All of the above.

### **What are some sins that so easily trap us?**

(Fill in the callouts)



### Why is it difficult to get out of those sins?

(Clue: a=1; b=2; c=3 and so on)

Because Satan wants to make us his \_\_\_\_\_ (19 12 1 22 5 19)

### Do you know???

Man rebelled against God and became involved in all kinds of evil. The more man sin, the more Satan will trap him in his sins. Man will find that it is harder and harder to get out of his sins. In this way, Satan will make him his slave to sins. We called these **bondages** and **strongholds**.

### Decipher the 4 ways these bondages can take hold of us.

(Clue: a=1; b=2; c=3 and so on)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (19 16 9 18 9 20)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (19 15 21 12)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (2 15 4 25)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (6 9 14 1 14 3 5)

### How does Satan bind us?

1. Our Spirit – Satan blinds people and keeps them away from God by getting them to commit sins of idolatry and to practise witchcraft.
2. Our Soul – Satan cause man to feel hurt and rejection in their souls.
3. Our Body – Satan can attack man with all types of sicknesses, deformities and curses.
5. Our Finance – Because of man’s disobedience, he can suffer poverty and financial difficulties.

**There is only**



**That can set us free from our sins  
and the bondage of Satan!**

**Read Isaiah 53:3-6 and find out what Jesus did for us.**

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*Yes, Jesus died and took our place. At the cross, Jesus took all our curses, rejection, sicknesses, deformities, poverty upon Himself.*

*All we have to do is to believe that Jesus did it all for us and He paid the full price for our freedom from sins.*

## Memory Verse

**The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me to bring the good news to the afflicted. He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners.- Isaiah 61:1**

## Preparing for the encounter

As we prepare ourselves for the coming encounter, we will need to prepare our hearts to be ready and willing to deal with our strongholds and bondages. All it takes is to go to the cross and say sorry to God for our sins and to ask God for self-control and strength not to continue in our sins.

Would you repeat this prayer after me and ask God to prepare our hearts together.

