

# BKI (P.27) N.T. KEYS - INFIRMITY ETC

Although the New Testament speaks in many places about casting out demons, specific details are few and far between. The incidents that are described more carefully therefore become KEY PASSAGES TO UNLOCK OUR UNDERSTANDING of the more general information. The Holy Spirit has provided evidence that the following specific areas have been the activity of unclean spirits:

- BONES (BACKS LEGS)**  
Luke 13:11

1. Osteogenic afflictions. The "daughter of Abraham" with the curvature of the spine is described as being bound by satan and having a spirit of infirmity. Once it is conceded that satan is responsible for a sickness, it would seem to be intellectually indefensible to deny the activity of an unclean spirit. (Luke 13:10-16)
- SENSE ORGANS**

2. Physical afflictions. The dumb and deaf lad (Mark 9:25). The blind and dumb demoniac (Matt. 12:22-24). **EARS EYES TASTE/SPEECH**  
These are PHYSICAL afflictions caused by spirits.
- MENTAL ILLNESS (PSYCHIATRIC)**

3. Mental disturbance. Legion is generally considered the most extreme case in the scriptures and we know from a synopsis of the New Testament evidence that he was violent and suicidal, motivated by powerful and destructive forces. Psychotic, perhaps even homicidal, he was beyond human help and only the ministry of Christ could free him (Mark 5:1-20). **Descendant of BAAL worshippers**
- MIND**

4. Debilitating Mind Disorder. The dumb and deaf lad (above) was apparently also epileptic (Matt. 17:15-18, Luke 9:39). **MOON-STUCK SHRITISM**

**SUMMARISE: PHYSICAL-SPIRITUAL**
- PAUL ACTS IN SELF-DEFENCE OF THE GOSPEL**

5. Occult bondage. The slave girl with a spirit of divination (a python) is the key incident. Notice that the occult inspiration speaks the truth but is apparently irritating and hindering the proclamation of God's Word. There is no request for help from the girl but the incident reveals a sharp conflict between the unclean spirit and the Holy Spirit. The unclean is no match. (Acts 16:16-18)