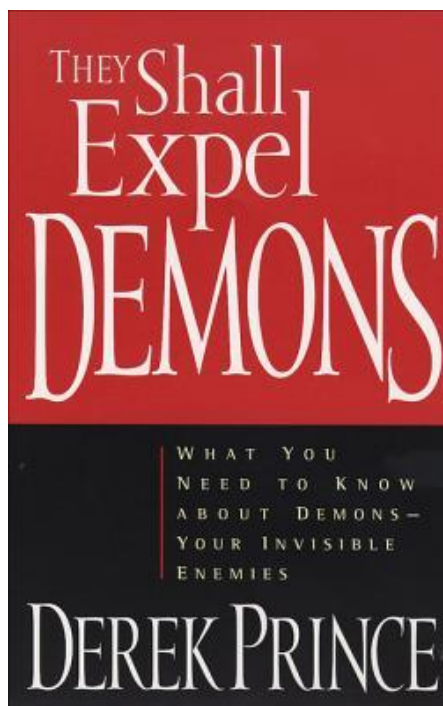




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Jacob Aitken says

Derek Prince gives an overview of demonology roughly in the same vein as John Wimber and Charles Kraft. This book is level-headed, practical, and filled with sane advice. Only in a few places does Prince advance strange ideas and even then he is hesitant. Very accessible and thorough.

Sin and Demons

Prince notes that sometimes our problems are due to our sinful nature and not to demons. In which case we just need to apply the cross and crucify the flesh. In other areas it is demonic oppression.

What is a Demon?

This part is tough. Prince backs up everything he says with Scripture and a lot of it seems to “jive” with observation, yet some of his conclusions run against conventional wisdom. He notes that the scriptures use several different terms for supernatural entities. Paul notes that those entities that live in the heavenly places, principalities and powers (Eph. 6:12) are more august, if evil. I could be mistaken but Paul never (or Daniel for that matter) calls these entities “demons.”

On the other hand, when Jesus deals with demonic activity it seems to be with earth-bound entities. Why would angelic beings who rule territories in the heavenly places reduce and limit themselves, for example, to pigs and graveyards?

Prince notes we “wrestle” with principalities and powers; we “command” demons (95). If Prince simply wants to make the claim that what we call “demons” is not in the same category as “principalities/powers/dark angels,” then he is probably correct.

Being demonized

A constant variable in demonization is the occult. Parents who are into the occult, while not necessarily passing a demon on to their kids, bring their kids into a demonic environment. Another “trigger” is sexual assault, social shock, etc.

Interestingly enough, he warns against the facile laying on of hands. No, we can’t “get a demon” that way, but we can receive negative effects from the one who had the demon (albeit these effects are easily dealt with).

Chemical activities in the brain aren’t demonic manifestations (e.g., smoking, alcoholism) but they can function as a gateway.

The Occult

Two main branches:

(a) Divinization (fortune telling, psychics, ESP; Acts 16:16-22).

(b) Sorcery. (Drugs, potions, charms, magic, spells, incantations, various forms of music).

Witchcraft

“Witchcraft is the universal, primeval religion of fallen humanity” (129). Prince shows four levels of modern witchcraft:

- (1) Open, public, “respectable.” This is the Church of Satan and the CIA-handler Anton La Vey.
- (2) Underground --Covens. This is the classic idea of “witchery.”
- (3) Fifth Column, Disguised. Rock music. The danger is anything that breaks down one’s moral reasoning faculties (drugs, certain beats, etc). Another 5th column is New Age.
- (4) Work of the Flesh. Desire for domination.

Do Christians Need Deliverance?

He notes that the new birth is real and shouldn’t be doubted. But he also points out that when Christians receive the new birth, they might not have had all forces exorcised from them (especially true in more occult cases). Philip’s ministry in Samaria is instructive: if demons automatically leave a person upon conversion, then why did Philip even bother to cast them out?

Key Points

- (1) Demons operate in gangs (180).
- (2) If we have opened the door to a demon by saying the wrong thing, we need to cancel it by saying the right thing (183).
- (3) The authority to bind or loose. If there is a gang of demons, then bind the strongman first.

Pros

- (1) Exposes Freemasonry (105, 134).
- (2) Breaks new ground in our understanding of demonic activity.

Amy says

One of the best books I have read. This is my first Derek Prince book I have read. I am impressed. His writing is clear, easy to understand, powerful, and truthful. He presents his vast experience quite well, and is solid Biblically. Every chapter is important. Prince goes through the fundamentals of the Faith, using the Bible as the ultimate guide. He writes about his experience with demons. Gives detailed information from the Bible and from his own experience about demons. The last part is of main importance, Prince goes through - step by step - how you can expel demons and how you can prevent them from coming back. Highly recommend if you are a believer.

Breakthru International says

This is another great book by Derek Prince. Derek manages to remove the myths surrounding demons and clearly lays out his findings based on personal experience and more importantly, the bible. Issues that we all are faced with are examined through the lens of biblical principles which are often dismissed as fantasy.

This is a must read for anyone who is confused by superstitious concepts of demons.

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Ruth says

This is an excellent book, clearing explaining all you need to know about demons, how they arrive and how to get them out of your life. Every Christian should read this and be aware of the tricks of the enemy.

I particularly like the paragraph headed 'The Final Weapon -All Prayer', where he says 'prayer is your intercontinental ballistic missile.' Amen!

Susan Hulstine says

Derek Prince had a PhD in Philosophy and could read Greek and Hebrew. He was the top scholar at Cambridge during his time there, pre-WWII. He was a very understated, logical British person and did not become a Christian until his 20s. I say this simply to show that he was not some uneducated, emotional person writing a book about demons to be sensational. He tells how his ministry experiences led him into understanding deliverance from evil spirits, and how even Christians can be afflicted by them. He is so practical and his knowledge of the original Greek and Hebrew helps you understand it all. He became a Christian when he read through the New Testament in the Greek as a philosophical endeavor. Since he was older, he was never biased toward a certain denomination; he always wanted to know "What does the bible say?" and "What did Jesus do as our example?". In that way, he had a simple, childlike faith. That simple faith, combined with his pragmatic braininess, made for someone that I trust to listen to. I've read most of his books.

Jaime Contreras says

This is a definitive book on the complete mission that Christ gave us: name and expel demons, pray for one another and heal the sick. The main focus of this book is the deliverance ministry which is part of the great commission given to us. One should either have a relationship with the Lord or want one to appreciate this book. It was very enlightening.

Honeybee says

A "must-have" for the library of every pastor, missionary or biblical counselor, this book very carefully explains the existence and work of demons, the power Christ demonstrated over them and the authority all believers have to command them to leave their victims. Unlike many televangelists and charismatic preachers, Derek Prince speaks with humility about the subject, asserting that whatever Jesus did is meant as an example for His followers.

You'll see none of the shouting and flamboyant showmanship of the typical "power encounter" or exorcist endorsed in this book. All of his instruction comes from the Bible and is illustrated with examples from decades of personal experience in the ministry.

Don't be afraid of this subject! Here is an author you can trust to make it understandable and accessible to

you and others.

Tim Johnson says

This is a very excellent read. The author breaks down his experiences which are very understandable. Everything that you wanted to know about casting out demons is in this book. This is a must read.

Darren Hayes says

Derek Prince seems to have a large degree of confidence in his beliefs in dealing with Deliverance. Even if at times in the book it seems that he gives a reason for demon activity for any little wrong doing that we have. Then later also states that not all are caused by the loss of our own control and the access of a demon taking over a certain area of our life.

Derek Prince takes a good in depth look at the demons that consume the world around us. Their purposes and how they are forcing there ways into the weakest parts of the people in the world including Christians. He speaks about the Deliverance that everyone needs and how they can get that Deliverance.

Like any other book that is on the subject on Deliverance or on the subject of demons it has been deemed controversial because of the way the world ignores the existence of evil and tends to play it out as something that is not something we are dealing with in our every day life, especially in every day Christian life.

He goes through the different types of demons, though he doesn't go through every single one. He goes through why people could be inflicted with demons and how they can be delivered from these demons. He will also give his thoughts on why it wrong that people think that Christians can never be invaded by a form of demon.

Like any other book there are going to be points and areas that us as a reader are not going to agree with the writer. So use your own thoughts, your own knowledge, and pray about what you are reading. Allow the Holy Spirit to work with you as you go along with this book. Chew on the Straw and Spit out the Sticks.

Nicole says

Derek Prince is one of the top authorities worldwide.
This specific book is one of the top resources, a key tool in this ministry.
Practical, based on over 30 years of experience, addresses fears and misconceptions about demons, and explicit exposure to support victory.
Highly recommend!

Rod says

Cool! I should love this - a book about expelling demons with lots of Bible quotes and exorcisms...

Ummmh? No.

I definitely believe everything the Bible says about God, Demons and Angels, and Cosmic warfare from the spiritual realm. But I simply don't trust it being told by a charismatic emotional faith-healer from the 20th century ((August 1915 - September 2003). (who has most likely spent ZERO time in actual hospitals healing people and exorcising their demons of tooth-decay.) Pretty much every faith healer and exorcist only does their magic shenanigans in spiritual buildings surrounded by gullible people with heightened insecure emotions.

...except possibly the group of people i had to tolerate at my local christian coffee shop/book store... who continually kept casting-out each other's demons of tobacco ---- until they got bored and went outside for a smoke. I barely looked up from my book: this crap seldom amuses me anymore. Occasionally it's extremely funny though. (thank you Benny Hinn and his magic wizard coat -- yes! look it up on youtube. Benny Hinn and the mad lightsaber. I dare you.)

So, should we Expel demons like Derek Prince insists? Well, mostly no. God put them in our game for a reason. Probably to stir the pot so we don't just sit around smoking pot all day. Demons create false religions, toy around with some fortune tellers and New Age hippies, instigate a world domination on occasion (Hitler, Stalin, definitely North Korea and Saudi Arabia, Columbian drug lords? Or liberal democratic parties). But do they crawl in our mouths and give us tooth decay and bad breath? I know if I was a demon i'd shoot for a higher priority career opportunity - hard to brag for an eternity that cavities and root canals were your life's work. (actually - if you're a dentist: this makes your job way more exciting and puts you on the frontlines of Cosmic Warfare. Maybe you should go to work dressed like Samurai tomorrow?)

I was hoping (and not expecting) this book to give us some serious scholarly Bible quotes and commentary about demons and their behavior. Mostly we get very emotional "Pentecostal" comprehensions from the Assembly of God charisma that's been tolerated since the Azusa Street stupidity of 1906. Hence - I learned nothing useful.

I did find out that Derek Prince thinks that demons are NOT fallen angels. He assumes we have angels, and then we have Daemons:

(page 91) "they are disembodied spirits of a pre-Adamic race that perished under some judgement by God not recorded in detail in scripture."

What the HELL? I guess that explains UFO's??? Or possibly vampires and werewolves.

Ephesians 6:12

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Derek quickly assumes that Evil In Heavenly Places is actually evil in HEAVEN. That's just kind of lazy. Especially when we have verses like 2 kings:

15When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" 16He said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." 17Then Elisha prayed and said, "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

So what exactly IS the heavenly places? Best just to assume it's NOT the physical world we dwell in. Similar to this tale:

Job 1

6Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. 7The LORD said to Satan, "From where have you come?" Satan answered the LORD and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." 8And the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job...

Many Christians (even scholars???) assume that means the sons of God went up to heaven to present themselves. I don't think so. Sons of God could be a few different things (Is Adam a son of God?). Are angels REALLY Sons of God? More likely this is similar to Cain & Abel in Genesis 4:

3In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, 4and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, 5but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. 6The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen?

They didn't go up to heaven to do that. No reason to assume the others did either - or that Satan has any access to heaven AT ALL. Yes, we gotta love this verse: Revelation 12.

7Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, 8but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. 9And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Always good to get your Bible facts from more than 1 verse or book. Let's go to Luke 10:18
And he (Jesus) said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven."

And the New Testament and Old should always be in agreement: Isaiah
Isaiah 14:12

"How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!"

Maybe it's just me - but this FALLEN ANGEL theory seems right out of scripture. Many scriptures actually. How did Derek miss all of this? And he misses a lot more too.

Derek Prince says "I find it hard to believe that demons are fallen angels."

I find it hard to believe that demons AREN'T fallen angels. I'm pretty sure that if there's another player in the game - God would have told us.

Do we need to go around casting out demons in this day and age? Not necessarily in my neighborhood (Unless you smoke near my local Charismatic coffee-shop). My theory is:

At one time there were 2 people on Earth ---- and maybe a billion demons? Or a few million? Maybe a lot less? Who knows.

Now we have 7 billion people. Therefore the ratio of people to demons is severely altered. Especially if some people are hogging a legion or two all to themselves (probably some singer of a Swedish Metal band?). Either way: not a lot of demons on the internet or Youtube. Yes! I checked. Some amusing exorcists of course. I thought demons would have more interesting things to say? Especially since they've been around for a few thousand years. Oh well. If a demons talking: best to assume they are lying.

My take on demon "interaction" has always been that of the Arch-angel Michael: Jude 1

9But when the archangel Michael, contending with the devil, was disputing about the body of Moses, he did not presume to pronounce a blasphemous judgment, but said, "The Lord rebuke you."

Yep, if a demon (or Satan?) bothers you - simply say "NO." or "The Lord Rebuke You.". Don't have a lengthy conversation about theological or ethical matters of state. You COULD try and cast them into some pigs or chickens... but make sure it's a wimpy animal that fits on a BBQ - you wouldn't want it to turn around and eat you. Don't send them into a nearby pack of wolves or marching Elephants.

My first thought reading this book was: Where is Jesus in all this?

That's why I gave this book 2 stars. Derek seems to truly love the Jesus of the bible. It's just that he's charismatically destructive about theology in general. Many of his Bible quotes are taken out of context and applied to his demon fighting ministry. He manages to find demons EVERYWHERE... and so do his followers. He's qualified to MAYBE teach sunday school to toddlers, but nothing seriously academic.

Having dealt with many Pentecostals and Charismatics, it's common to see that some people are desperate to be involved in a showy Spiritual Fight. Their very existence depends on them being high priority to Satan and demons. The Universe sits in the balance as their dentist is unsure about that bit of spinach stuck between their teeth.

Now to be fair:

I've heard John MacArthur (Anti-charismatic?) speak of his experience with demons and demon possessed people. I actually trust John's accounts. He almost never even bothers to bring this stuff up. He doesn't make a ministry of it, and he doesn't even bother to really write books about it. It's low on his priority list. And mine.

A problem with this book is: It speaks endlessly about demons (or Daemons?) and says almost nothing about angels. What does Derek think angels are up to? We Christians should have them covering our backs... and fighting off these tobacco and tooth-decaying indwellers. So where are all of Derek's angels?

Psalm 91

11For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

That is why I don't worry about demons. Angels know their job. We have ours - and I don't think it is necessarily the same job as those establishing the church back in Jerusalem in the 1st century. After the book of Acts Of The Apostles --- demon hunting seems to have slowed way down. Paul and Peter had other priorities.

Our main job is still dealing with human beings and man's sin. Remember: God put demons in this game for a reason. He even uses them and allows them to do their thing. Their nature is set... We don't need their help in sinning --- we are AWESOME at it.

I do have a favorite bible verse about demons and their appearance: Revelation 16

"Then I saw three impure spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet."

Do demons look like frogs? Hmmm... aren't aliens said to be green/grey and look kinda like frogs? Probably just coincidence.

Now we should deal with the Gospel according to Mark, it's demon claim:

Mark 16.

17"And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will

...and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

Jesus was speaking directly to the remaining eleven disciples. They were discussing THEIR MINISTRY. The top priority was establishing the foundation of the Christian Church. So we shouldn't necessarily assume demon casting is going to be a daily occurrence for the next 19 centuries. Personally: I'm speaking in a NEW tongue right now (there wasn't any English back then). Honestly, i've never heard of a missionary being given the gift of miraculously speaking in a foreign language since the Bible days ---- only insecure white people in suburban communities seem to ever present this gift. Weird and useless eh? The Bible shows us clearly that the Apostles spoke in foreign languages of their day Miraculously. I haven't heard of anyone REALLY doing it since. Every missionary claims to spend a few years learning native languages as needed. Hmmm...

Please walk into a hospital and lay your hands on the sick --- I'll wait. Prove me wrong.

To end on a funny note:

Nobody in the Bible is really afraid of demons. Most people simply find them annoying. Yet most are terrified by an Angel appearance: "Fear NOT."

It's funny that Dante, charismatics, and Hollywood make us afraid of demons. As do some cultic churches. Probably Biblically best to just see them as annoying pests.

You can read this book - but be careful what you learn from it. There are some fruity exorcism stories... and almost Zero references or footnotes to validate anything.

Angel says

There are plenty of christian and non-christian books about demons. Some deal about different ways of deliverance according to its authors, most of the times having a biblical background.

Derek Prince is one of my favorite teachers, mostly because he explains some deep stuff in a really simple way, including demons.

If you are looking for a good introduction in this topic, then search no more, in "They Shall Expel Demons: What You Need to Know about Demons—Your Invisible Enemies" you'll have basic concepts on demonology and also some really practical testimonies from Derek in His well-known ministry that will help you understand better not only the way the enemy attacks but How is our position as children of God before them.

Erin Wolff says

This is a very well written book! I have read a lot of books on deliverance, but this one is in my top favorites because it not only explains what demons are, what their affect on people is (including Christians), but it also gives you a practical way to expel them, not only from yourself, but also others. It will offer a lot of hope and know how for those called to the deliverance ministry and also to those people that are needing deliverance for themselves. Definitely a must read!

Rudolf Lobo says

good read

Ryan Watkins says

This is one of the most peculiar books I have ever read. I found this very cheap on eBay shortly after I started putting time into seriously studying theology. Prince writes from a Charismatic/Pentecostal perspective on how to expel demons. He gives several accounts of his various exorcisms and claims demons are part of some kind of prehuman race. He claims that people he has interacted with have become possessed after various activities like buying rock CDs, engaging in specific sexual activities with their spouse, or committing various sins. He also claims that people can be possessed by animal spirits where the person will start to act like the animal which is possessing them. I would not recommend this book due to its multiple claims which cannot be backed up with scripture.
