

RE: HELP! Cannot connect to SQL Server

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Read another post in this forum that said to change the SQL Server Registration to use "SQL Server authentication." I did that and was able to bring up the databases under (LOCAL). However, I could not see the tables, etc. under my finance databases. Yet they are "working" as I was able to use the finance software and see all the data. I am able to see the tables, etc. for all the other DBs under (LOCAL). Hem?

How now may I change the "user default database" which Enterprise Manager said could not be opened when I was using Windows Authentication? Is this done in the "Startup parameters" on the "General" tab of the server properties? If so, it looks like it currently has a default database:

-dC:\Program Files\Microsoft SQL Server\MSSQL\data\master.mdf

If this is the case, I do not understand the problem. This file exists, and the Master database shows up under the databases for (LOCAL) and I can see its tables etc.

ANY HELP WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. God Bless and thanks.

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"Chaplain Doug" wrote:

- > SQL Server 2000. I am new to SQL Server. I have simply had some databases
- > that use it, but I have not had to do much with it. However, I went into the
- > SQL Server Enterprise Manager and may have hosed myself. Here is my
- > configuration:
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- > 1. I have one group called "SQL Server Group"
- > 2. It has two "servers," one called (LOCAL) and the other HQSERVER\BKUPEXEC.
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- > I can see the databases under HQSERVER\BKUPEXEC. I can no longer connect to
- > the server called (LOCAL), nor see the databases under it. It is this

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> "server" that has two of my financial databases under it. When I try to
> connect to this server I get the following error:
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>>A connection could not be established to (LOCAL)
>>Reason: Cannot open user default database. Login failed.
>>Please verify SQL Server is running and check your SQL Server registration properties.
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> I recall expanding (LOCAL) and deleting a couple sample databases that
> appeared under it. These were sample financial databases that we do not use,
> but which come with the financial database products. Perhaps this has caused
> my problem?
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> Can anyone help me? Is there a way to find out what default database
> (LOCAL) is looking for and change it to something that exists? Perhaps in
> the registry? Any help will be GREATLY appreciated. Thanks and God bless.
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