

Self-inflicted Curses and Inherited Relational Problems

Proverbs 26:2--As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the *curse* causeless shall not come.
Galatians 3:13--"Christ hath redeemed us from the *curse* of the law, being made a *curse* for us: for it is written, *Cursed* is every one that hangs on a tree"

General Results of Curses on one's Life	
1. Negative confessions > attitude	7. Repressed emotions
2. Negative expectations > attitude	8. Separation and fragmentation from the spirit
3. Controlling, manipulating people and circumstances to get your way	9. Solving problems with negative results
4. Escapism > not facing or solving problems	10. Stubbornness and
5. Guilt based thinking	11. Resistance to submit
6. Fearful, indecisive disposition	12. No respect for the father
	13. Pretending > hidden agenda > double mindedness

Isaiah 24:5--The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. 6 Therefore has **the curse** devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

Proverbs 20:20--Whoso curses his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure

Jer. 17:5--Thus says the LORD; **Cursed** be the man that trusts in man, and makes flesh his arm, and whose heart departs from the LORD.

I. Inherited weaknesses in the soul and in the body

The cause: Disobedience of the parents visited upon the children,

Exodus 20:5--Thou shall not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

Deut 8:19-- And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish.

Eze 18:2 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?

II. The curse and its effect:

- o Resistance to God's truth
- o Rebellion against God and His people
- o Mocking God's people or the Church
- o Reacting in making negative vows
- o Psychological and physiological weaknesses
- o Habits of associating with dysfunctional victimized people
- o Drawing to the occult or mystical manifestations to gain importance, security and power.

III. The extend of the curse:

- a. 4 generations, (Ex. 20:5); (cf. Deut. 28:15-68; Isa 6:5-6)
- b. 10 generational curse; if a child is born outside marriage with resistance and difficulty to enter the realm of the Spirit or Church, (Deut. 23:2).

IV. The curse is removed through faith in Christ who became a curse for sinners (Gal. 3:13)

1. Confess the sins of your fathers
2. Confess your own sins (including your negative, fearful mindset and confessions)
3. Accept God's forgiveness
4. Allow the Holy Spirit to transform you through His Word by submitting to the truth

V. Blessings of submission: Deut. 8:1-3; Isa. 1:19

Psalms 33:12--Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he has chosen for his own inheritance.

Psalms 144:15--Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is that people, whose God is the LORD.

Eph. 1:3--Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

VI. Defense against spiritual attacks: Isa. 54:17-

Isa. 54:17--No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, says the LORD.