

# Salvation Through Deliverance: The Relationship of Canceling Curses to Evangelism

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# Personal Introduction

- American, age 52
- Christian conversion in college
- Married Holly in 1978, two grown children
- Trained as business professor & consultant
- 15+ years of overseas full or part time missions
- First “discovered” the realm of spiritual warfare and deliverance in 1997
- Called to “active duty” in deliverance ministry in 2005

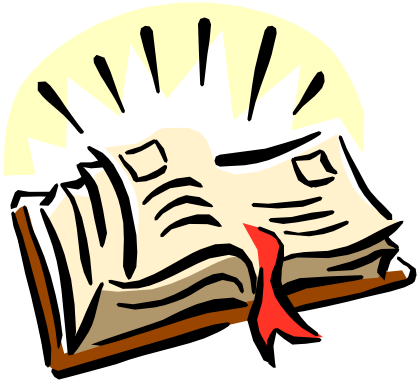
# Personal Testimony

- I was set free from many curses from both my personal sins, and the sins of my ancestors.
- Because of these curses I was actually “infested” by evil spirits, which affected my health, my mind, and even my behavior. Among others, I was set free from curses of Slow Death, Fear, several Spirits of Infirmary, and a spirit of Pain.
- As a result of being set free, I was then healed of an ulcer, a chronic colon pain, and partial loss of vision (20:40 to 20:20)

# Similar example from scripture

- If this sounds surprising, it shouldn't. We can find the same pattern in Luke 13:10-13:
  - A woman was ill – crippled by a “spirit of infirmity” for 18 years.
  - Jesus “set her free” from her infirmity.
  - Then He laid hands on her and she was healed,
  - Then she praised God
- That is **JUST WHAT HAPPENED TO ME**

# Another example from scripture



“The man from whom demons had gone out begged to go with Him, but Jesus sent him away, saying ‘Return home and tell how much God has done for you.’ So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.”  
Luke 8:38-39

- Then I obeyed Jesus... In 2005 I went home to tell everybody and launch a ministry... I-61

# Launching Isaiah 61 Ministries

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

It is the mission of Isaiah 61 Ministries, Inc. (I-61) to continue the ministry of Jesus, who, as prophesied in Isaiah 61:1-4, and fulfilled in Luke 4:17-19, came to release his followers from the bondage of satanic oppression.

# The Role of Deliverance in Receiving Salvation

- Three Case Examples from SEAsia Winter Mission
- (Places and Names changed so we can post this message on-line)

# Case One - Vanessa

- Young woman in a Northern city in SE Asia
- Parents bound her to their Animistic and Buddhism traditions through formal dedications and rituals
- Wanted to become Christian, was baptized, but no clear understanding of salvation
- Her mind filtered every teaching about Jesus and Christianity with a comparative, “but Buddha says...”

# Case One - Vanessa

- We led her in sinner's prayer, followed by deliverance prayer
- She experienced a whirlwind, complaining of air conditioning and wind around her legs
- Her mind was filled with confusion even after hours of prayer
- We closed with the prayer, "Holy Spirit, over the next minutes, hours, days and weeks, show us what is still blocking Vanessa's deliverance. Then we left..."

# Case One - Vanessa

- 4 weeks later the Holy Spirit showed Vanessa her “missing link,” a written horoscope
- 2 weeks after that we returned to her city to complete her deliverance
- First attempt to pray to renounce the horoscope was blocked by confusion and dizziness
- So we obeyed the scripture: “A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them...” Acts 19:19

# Case One - Vanessa

- We then prayed again, and Vanessa was free.
- She continues to testify that she is free and no longer hears the “but Buddha says...” argument in her head when she prays and studies her Bible
- ***VANESSA NEEDED DELIVERANCE FROM A CURSE TO RECEIVE JESUS AND WALK IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD***

# Case Two - Ken

- Young man in a southern SE Asia city.
- Parents were Animists with a large family altar where they worshiped dead ancestors daily
- Ken turned to Christianity, and was baptized, at the request of his wife – but he did not understand salvation and who is Jesus
- Attempts to explain the gospel to him were blocked by confusion and mind-controlling spirits

# Case Two - Ken

- An interview revealed some of the root causes of Ken's mental blockage. It was clear that sins of his ancestors had brought curses upon his mind.
- We led him in a prayer of confession and repentance for the sin of false worship and broke the curses he had inherited.
- Then we spent two hours casting evil spirits out of him. The "strongman" was Mind Control. This was the result of generations of worshipping false gods by his ancestors.

# Case Two - Ken

- Ken's manifestations were quite dramatic. At times he looked up and asked, "what was happening?"
- At the end he was able to acknowledge that Jesus was his Lord and praise Him freely.
- Some weeks later Ken even assisted as we cast spirits out of his wife!
- ***KEN COULD NOT RECEIVE JESUS UNTIL EVIL SPIRITS FROM OTHER GODS WERE CAST OUT OF HIS MIND***

# Case Three - Cheryl

- A business woman in a large modern Asian city. She was part of a Christian business group.
- She had been trying to follow the Lord for many years, but her spiritual life went up and down, including periods of immoral living.
- The Bible was not clear to her and she wanted to be closer to God
- We quickly learned from EE questions that she was not saved.

# Case Three - Cheryl

- We explained the gospel (PHD), including the plan of salvation and the need to repent for her own and her ancestor's sins
- She agreed, we prayed, then tested for spirits
- At first, no spirits would manifest until we found the "strongman" which was Tong Zhi (the Tao bible – the book of knowledge) which her mom had hung over the door of her house.
- Once that was broken, the rest left easily

# Case Three - Cheryl

- Cheryl had tried to find the Lord for many years, but could not find Him because another spirit was blocking the way. She was under a curse from the worship of Taoism by her mother and other ancestors
- “Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he (or his ancestor) sows.” Gal. 6:7
- ***ONCE CHERYL RENOUNCED TAOISM THE CURSE WAS BROKEN, SHE WAS SET FREE, AND SHE WAS ABLE TO COMMIT FULLY TO JESUS!***

# Putting the Cases into Perspective: Understanding Ancestral Curses

- Ancestral Curses can be an open gate to demonic oppression in a person's life - and this oppression can block or hinder a person's spiritual growth, or even their ability to understand the gospel and accept the free gift of eternal life through Jesus

# How Do People Become Cursed?

- The I-61 approach investigates 12 specific gates through which we can become cursed
- **Today's cases all focused on Gate #1: SOF.**
- We are born under this type of curse
- Since the Bible says we all have sinned, we all may inherit curses from the **sins of our fathers**
- These curses are the initial entry gate which allow evil spirits to torment us

# Gate #1: SOF: Why do we need to deal with the sins of our ancestors?

- We inherit the curse of our fathers' sins (Ex. 20:5; Ex. 34:7; Deut. 5:9; Jer. 32:18; Isaiah 65:6-7). I. e., we inherit the **iniquity** (tendency to commit the same sin and consequences of their sin. 3-4, or 10 generations.
- "...for I am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sins of the fathers to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> generation..." (Ex. 20:5)
- "...if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands... these curses will come upon you: ...the fruit of your womb will be cursed..." (Deut.28:15 & 18)

# Why do we need to deal with sins of ancestors?

- “(when these people ask you) ... ‘why has the Lord decreed such a great disaster against us? What wrong have we done? What sin have we committed against the Lord our God?’... say to them, **‘it is because your fathers forsook me,’** declares the Lord, **‘and followed other gods and served them and worshiped them. They forsook me and did not keep my law.’”** Jer. 16:10-11
- This scripture speaks exactly into the 3 cases

## How to deal with curses from our ancestors?

- The Bible gives us a pattern of **Identificational Repentance** where we “stand-in” for our ancestors and repent on their (and our own) behalf. This is how we break curses.
- Christ offers to take our curses upon Himself. “Christ redeemed us ... by becoming a curse for us...” Gal. 3:13), but this is not automatic. We must ASK for it.

## How to deal with curses from our ancestors?

- “If they will confess their sins **and the sins of their fathers** ...then when their hearts are humbled ... I will remember My covenant...” (Lev. 26:40-42)
- “... I confess the sins we ... **and my fathers’ house** have committed against you.” (Neh. 1:1-7)
- “We have sinned against the Lord our God, **both we and our fathers...**” (Jeremiah 3:25b)
- “...we acknowledge our wickedness **and the guilt of our fathers; we have indeed sinned against You.**” (Jer. 14:20)

# How to deal with curses from our ancestors?

- **Identification** (Generational) **Repentance** is part of the process of rebuilding the foundations of our relationship with God. (Is. 61:4; 58:12)
- In order to do this, we need to have as complete a list of the sins of our ancestors as possible. This takes time and, often, researching our family tree
- Our approach to ministry, in part, involves working with people to help them discover the root of curses they may be under – as the 3 cases demonstrated .

## How to deal with curses from our ancestors?

- “Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of whom we must give account.” Heb. 4:13.
- “He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of men’s hearts.” I Cor. 4:5
- “Have nothing to do with deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.” Eph. 5:11

# Inherited curses tend to run through families in familiar patterns (Dt. 27-28)

Many families have the same struggles generation after generation - here are some common curses:

- Emotional struggles
- Mental health issues
- Speech problems (spoken or in thought life)
- Sex problems or perversions
- Addictions and compulsions
- Physical health, early or unnatural death patterns
- Religious error (including false religions, doubts, unbelief, confusion, difficulty reading Bible and worship)

# Other Sources of Curses

- Involvement with unclean things/cursed objects
  - Bringing curses objects into the home/office (idols, pornography, altars)
  - Handling unholy/unclean things
  - Giving honor to demon gods (entering temples, attending rituals, festivals)
  - Following demonic fads (tattoos [Lev. 19:28], music, fashion)
- Territorial rights violations
  - Touching satan's ground
  - Going into battle against satan without being specifically commanded to by God, or without proper preparation
  - Living on unclean or cursed land or housing

# Other Sources of Curses

- Performance of demonic rituals
  - Through occult films, drawings, books, objects (such as horoscopes)
  - Through direct contact with the spirit realm (mediums or fortune tellers)
  - Through transference of personal items, animals, even pets
  - Through cursed gifts (especially cultural items)
- Distinct situations and forbidden actions
  - Ridiculing satan
  - Partaking of food sacrificed to idols
  - Hatred, jealousy, and the misspoken word
  - Circumstances beyond our control (curses against a nation or people group, such as war, genocide, slavery)
  - Breaking vows to God

# Are You Free (or under a curse)?

“It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.” Galatians 5:1

“Make sure there is no man or woman... among you today whose heart turns away from the Lord... to go and worship the gods of those nations; make sure there is no root among you that produces such bitter poison. When such a person hears the words of this oath... he thinks “I will be safe, even though I persist in going my own way.” This will bring disaster... the Lord will never be willing to forgive him... **All the curses written in this book will fall upon him...**” Deut. 29:18-20

# Steps to Cancel a Curse

- Acknowledge and confess your and your ancestors' sins in detail
- Repent and renounce each sin
- Forgive your ancestors for their sins which allowed curses to come upon you
- Break agreement with satan and his demons and cancel every curse in the name of Jesus
- Bind any demons that might be attached to the curse and command them to leave in the name of Jesus
- Fill the cleaned-out spaces with the Holy Spirit
- Test every spirit (1 John 4:1). Keep what is good.

# Where do we go from here?

- “There is nothing hidden that will not be disclosed, and nothing concealed that will not be known or brought out into the open.”

Luke 8:13

- Satan uses everything kept in darkness against us (including things our ancestors did for which we have no knowledge).
- **Starting Point:** Separate yourselves from every false altar (religion) of your ancestors, and begin building your own “proper altar” to Jesus. (read Judges 6:25-26)

# Where do we go from here?

- Would you like to renounce and separate yourselves from every curse from every sin of your ancestors right now?
- Lets pray: *Lord Jesus, you are my Savior. You died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead. I now confess and repent from all my sins and the sins of my ancestors. I break every curse that would come upon me from the sins of my ancestors in Your name. I break agreement with every evil spirit which might be enforcing those curses and command them to leave me now in the name of Jesus. I commit every part of myself to Jesus and invite the Holy Spirit to fill my mind, emotions, will, body, and spirit. In Jesus' name, AMEN.*
- *Holy Spirit, over the next minutes, hours, days...*

# Contact Details

- We have copies of our recent newsletter in the back of the room.
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