



## Curses-Dabbling Curiosity

It is possible for people to have a curse in operation in their lives and not know it. They know that something is controlling them, but they don't know how to deal with it. They may try to deal with it by getting counseling or taking antidepressants, or going into denial. They may have prayed about it or had other people pray for them, but it keeps coming back. It may be something that has plagued them for as long as they can remember. This stronghold may be lying, stealing, rebellion against authority, laziness, stubbornness, gluttony or sexual perversion (to name a few). It may very well be something that was passed down from a previous generation.



Just like blessings are real, so too are curses. We must realize the power behind each and act spiritually responsible to undo any curses upon our lives.

(Num 22:12) And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

God would never have put information about curses in the Bible if they had no real basis.

(Deu 11:26-28) Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; {27} A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day: {28} And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

(Deu 23:5) Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee.

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Never forget that the weapons of our warfare are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. Blessings and curses are spiritually based and must be handled from a spiritual vantage.

(Eccl 10:20) Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

Blessings and curses, when spoken, enter into the spiritual realm and become real. We must be careful what we speak out. Once spoken, they go to work.

(Luke 6:28) Bless [speak well of] them that curse [to doom] you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

God expects us to address

spiritual matters biblically. Prayer is at the top of the list as a spiritual weapon to use in this warfare.

(Rom 12:14) Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

Be careful to never speak curses. Refuse to say things what will bring negatives to pass in your, or another's life.

(Gal3:13) 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 hangeth on a tree:

If Christ truly did redeem us, than act like it. Never allow a curse to fall from your lips again. Speak only positives about you and others.

(James 3:8-11) But the tongue can no man tame; it is an

unruly evil, full of deadly poison. {9} Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. {10} Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. {11} Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?

You have so much power because of your tongue. Use it responsibly.

There are those who, through their own actions, have allowed strongholds to enter and take root from a seed they themselves planted—curiosity and dabbling. They unwittingly opened themselves up, and the foothold was granted, or implanted. Next, the seed germinated and took root in its host. It was unchecked and allowed to mature, and the

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end result is a life that is out of control. The dabbling that was thought to be innocent when a person was just experimenting in drugs, alcohol, gambling or pornography resulted in addiction. The addiction is the curse and can lead to a host of other problems.

It secret strongholds are allowed to develop unchecked, a miserable life, or worse, will be the result. Not only does the affected person suffer needlessly, other individuals and family will also have to ‘suffer through.’ If allowed to go unchecked, that person will continue to suffer failure and defeat. That person’s life will be more difficult than it has to be! God’s people don’t need to suffer needlessly! It’s not just the person who has the alcohol or drug problem that is affected—his spouse and children suffer needlessly as well! This situation is called dysfunctional and is

labeled as codependency, and is a growing problem in our society today. A Codependent is one who has allowed the dependent’s behavior to affect him and is obsessed with controlling that person’s behavior. Children from homes with addictions, eating disorders, sexual disorders, single parents, or a variety of verbal, physical or emotional abuses, also become codependent and have this behavior.

No one is exempt, not even our children!

(John 8:32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Ask God right now—wherever you are—to reveal to you any area of your life that is subject to a stronghold. (Write it down) We will put the spiritual axe to the root. There is nothing you can name that is too difficult for God

to break. God is bigger than any mistake you have made—He is bigger than any mistake you can make. He can turn any mistake in your life into a miracle, if you let him. If you believe that, then by faith, ask him to help you. Let’s remove any and all strongholds together!

(2 Cor 10:3-5) For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: {4} (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty **through God** to the pulling down of strong holds;) {5} Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Much Love in Christ.

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