

And if the bugler doesn't sound a clear sound, how will the soldiers know they are being called to battle? 1st Corinthians 14:8 NLV

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PRAYER STUDY #185

FREEDOM FROM SEXUAL BONDAGE

Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house forever; but the Son abideth ever. If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

John 8:34-36

Sexual bondage is a very complex subject. This study is not meant to be a cure all, comprehensive study of how to get free from sexual bondage nor a “how to” of healing for wounded spirits. The purpose of the study is to let you know that there *is* FORGIVENESS, healing, and wholeness possible for you, no matter how long or how deep you have gone into sexual sin. This wholeness comes from both repentance from sin and intimacy with Jesus.

Scriptural Types of Sexual Perversion leading to Bondage and Woundedness

1. Fornication (1st Thessalonians 4:3-6)
2. Pornography (Matthew 5:28)*
3. Adultery (Deuteronomy 22:22-29)
4. Prostitution (Deuteronomy 23:17; 1st Corinthians 6:16-20)
5. Incest (Leviticus 18:6-18)
6. Homosexuality (Romans 1:26-27) **
7. Humankind with beasts (Deuteronomy 27:21)
8. Abortion & Molech Worship (Leviticus 18:21, Psalm 139:13-16, Jeremiah 1:5, Amos 1:13; Psalm 106:37-38)
9. Divorce (Matthew 5:32; 1st Corinthians 7:15)
10. Child Sexual Abuse*** (Matthew 25:40; Luke 17:2)
11. Bondage and Sodomasochism (Romans 1:24-31; Romans 6:12-16)
12. Spiritual Adultery (a joining with or worshipping of idols of any kind, a joining to another God such as an idolization of the human body) (Jeremiah 3, Matthew 5:28)
13. Fantasy (Matthew 5:28, 2nd Corinthians 10:5, & Romans 1:21)

(*Pornography is derived from the Greek word *porneia*. It is sometimes translated as female captives, prostitutes, fornication, whoredom, sexual

immorality. *Porneia* is found in the New Testament 26 times. Today pornography is considered a First Amendment right in America and with the advent of the Internet is readily available by all ages and sexual orientations in our society. At a Promise Keeper's rally, 60% of the men present admitted to having a pornography problem.)

(**Homosexuality is almost always caused by one of the following: 1. Failure to bond with a same sex parent; 2. Childhood sexual abuse; 3. Parent wanting the opposite sex from what they got; 4. A strong generational curse or iniquity drive passed down because of generational sin in this area from a father or mother)

(***Up to 40% of females in the USA report being abused as children and up to 25% of males. Males react to child sexual abuse by acting out and often end up in the judicial system. Females turn their anger inward and often end up in social services. They are also more apt to have severe eating disorders. For both groups suicidal ideation is often a result. Females try to kill themselves at a higher rate than males, but males are more apt to succeed. Child sexual abuse victims often have irrational beliefs, such as it is my fault that it happened and the abuse proves that I am a bad person. Also, child sexual abuse victims often are demonized by the experience and need deliverance ministry as soon as they are able to handle it.)

The Root of Sexual Bondage

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life is not of the Father, but is of the world.

1. THE LUST OF THE FLESH
2. THE LUST OF THE EYES
3. THE PRIDE OF LIFE

We well know about the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes. We live in a society that is pervasive in its hedonistic promotion and advertisement of sex. You cannot watch television or go to the mall without being confronted with the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes. What many do not know, however, is that the root of sexual sin often lies in selfishness and pride. Proven Men Ministries says about this, "The root cause is selfishness and the pride which accommodates it. Selfishness is being overly concerned with your own welfare or interest, and pride is the attitude and behavior resulting from an exaggerated self-worth. Together, these lead us to think that we

deserve to be served and to have every desire fulfilled. Until you come to grips with the truth about the seriousness of selfishness and pride in your own life, and battle these root sins, you will never really have lasting freedom from the bondage to sexual immorality.

Consequences of Sexual Sin

1. Separation from God; Sexual sins blocks the love of God that flows between husband and wife in the true and holy expression of our sexual nature. *“God does not sit in heaven making up rules and waiting to punish you for breaking them. Instead, He purposefully created you in His image (Genesis 1:26) with the intention that you would not only love and worship Him (Matthew 4:10) but also be His child (John 1:12, 1st John 3:1) and His friend (James 2:23). The Lord is a personal God and is truly interested in a close and meaningful relationship with you. The commandments God gives you are not designed to be a burden, but to foster your relationship with Him so you may prosper. For instance, Jesus tells you not to commit adultery in your heart (Matthew 5:27-28) or engage in other forms of sexual immorality...so you would not damage your relationship with Him (or your wife and others). He knows that in the end, these things produce shame, guilt, bitterness, hurtful feelings, emptiness and/or loneliness. God wants you to avoid this pain. He calls you to be pure and holy because He is these things (1st Peter 1:16). Best friends share things in common, and Jesus wants you to be like Him.”* from *The Proven*
2. UNGODLY Soul Ties: Through sexual union, there is a joining of spirit, soul and body. After intercourse the bodies may separate but the souls and spirits are still joined together. Something of the man becomes part of the woman, and vice versa. This creates a spiritual soul tie between the two partners. (Ungodly soul ties can also be created by vows, covenants, curses, oaths, organizational secret oaths, unhealthy non-sexual soul ties such as occurs in co-dependence.)
3. Defilement Lev 18:22-29
4. Destruction 1st Corinthians 5:1-5
5. Death Lev 20:13-18

How Important Is All of This to God?

1. In at least two scriptures in the Bible, sexual sins are listed first among reasons the unrighteous will not inherit the Kingdom of God (1st Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 5:19).

2. God hates sexual sin because sexual sin separates the believer from the Lord and sexual sin opens up a very large hole in our spiritual hedge of protection. Some believe it is the third most hated sin following number one (*Thou shalt have none other gods before me-Deuteronomy 5:7*) and number two (murder-Deuteronomy 5:17).

STEPS TO HEALING FROM SEXUAL SINS AND SOUL TIES

From Healing of the Spirit

1. Pray for forgiveness (and accept His forgiveness and forgive yourself).
2. Pray for release and loosing from the particular sexual bondage you are in.
3. Pray to break the power of inherited lust: pray to forgive the one who introduced the problem into the family line.
4. Pray for breaking of all soul ties between the seeker and every other partner or previous husband or wife to which they are no longer married.
 - a. Pray that the sword of the Spirit will separate each partner and break every soul tie.
 - b. Place the cross of Jesus between each partner and cover them with the blood of Jesus.
 - c. “Loose” each partner from these unholy unions.
 - d. In the name of Jesus, declare the spirits of the persons involved in immorality to be separated.
 - e. Take authority (in Jesus’ name), breaking every satanic power that exists in the person’s life as a result of illicit sex, non-sexual bondage, or spiritual adultery.
 - f. If they are currently married to a “born again” spouse, pray that God will recognize the current union as the “twain shall be one flesh” mentioned in Genesis 2:24 and Mark 10:2-12).
5. Pray for cleansing of body, soul, and spirit.
 - a. Pray to cleanse the person’s mind of pornographic images, ungodly sexual experiences and all sinful thoughts, words, deeds and acts.
 - b. Pray to cleanse the eyes that have looked upon what they should not have seen.
 - c. Pray to cleanse the ears from whatever they have heard that is unholy.
 - d. Pray to cleanse the mouth, skin, hands, and sexual organs from what they have touched.

6. Pray against any spirits of immorality, pornography, and unusual sexual practices, particularly if the seeker has had an experience with a prostitute or with an animal.
7. Pray the seeker is released from all iniquities and from the consequences of these sins.
8. Pray the Lord heal all of these experiences so that Satan can no longer use them for evil purposes.
9. Pray the seeker is healed of all guilt and shame.
10. Pray for healing of all these sins and soul ties, that these be covered by the blood of Jesus.
11. For single people, pray that all the “normal sexual emotions” be channeled into other acceptable and appropriate activities.
12. Pray release from any immorality or polygamy of their forefathers.
13. Renounce “Baal” (the god of sexual depravity) in the name of Jesus.

Sexual sin is an area in which it is most helpful to use an intercessor. It is difficult for a seeker to pray for him or herself with complete success in this area. The seeker needs first to confess the sins and to repent out loud naming the partner (or partners, if necessary, as the Lord directs.)

Again, the seeker should also repent from all illicit and unusual sexual practices and pornography, if applicable. He or she needs to renounce the spirit of lust, lust of the eyes, and renounce Satan’s ground, previously given in all of these acts. Most importantly, the seeker must be determined to live a chaste life in the future or to marry (1st Corinthians 7:1-6).

Previous sexual habits are difficult to break, particularly if the seeker is young and unmarried. In every case, the seeker must be warned that Satan will sorely tempt them soon after their healing.

The following can be prayed by the seeker:

In the name of Jesus, I renounce all sexual and spiritual bondage to (name the person) and to the authority I have given him or her by submitting myself to him or her and offering him or her my body. I cut every soul tie with (person’s name) and renounce every dark spirit that may have come to me through this union with him or her. AMEN.

The following can be prayed by the intercessor:

In the name of Jesus, I direct your spirit to forget these unions. In the name of Jesus you are loosed from that person or persons. I declare your spirit to be separated from each of these partners, and I place the cross of Jesus between you and each unholy union. I cover you with the blood of Jesus as

a protective shield from any and all detrimental influences to which you may have been exposed through sexual union with this or these partners. In the name of Jesus and according to Chapter six of the book of Ephesians, I take the sword of the Spirit and I cut every soul tie between you and any partner you have ever been intimate with. I set your spirit free to cleave only to your own spouse. I loose you in Jesus' name, grateful for God's word that proclaims "whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Thank you, Lord, that your living water is washing _____ "white as snow." And that every bit of defilement, shame, and guilt is being washed away. Thank-you, Lord, for making him or her squeaky clean, inside and out. Lord, you now see them as clean and white as the day you created them-you've given him or her a new body in Jesus, perfectly clean and pure. Thank-you. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen

IT'S NO LONGER I THAT LIVETH

It's no longer I that liveth,
But Christ that liveth in me.
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He lives; He lives; Jesus is alive in me.
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