

## 4 Curses

**EVEN SO THE TONGUE IS A LITTLE MEMBER  
AND BOASTS GREAT THINGS.  
SEE HOW GREAT A FOREST A LITTLE FIRE KINDLES!  
OUT OF THE SAME MOUTH  
PROCEED BLESSING AND CURSING.  
MY BRETHREN,  
THESE THINGS OUGHT NOT TO BE SO.  
James 3:5,10**

Webster's defines a curse as "an utterance of words of evil against." Words are spirits. Therefore curses are evil spirits set against someone or something. They are negative words that come back upon you or upon others.

### **THE FRUIT OF THE LIPS**

The Lord said He gives life to the words we speak.

**I Create the fruit of the lips...  
Says the Lord.**

Isa.57:19

He also says that we shall eat of those words ourselves.

**A man shall eat well by the fruit of his mouth, (pg.44)  
But the soul of the unfaithful feeds on violence.**

**He who guards his mouth preserves his life,  
But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction.**

Pr.13:2,3

Most people are bound by so many curses that they live their life by them. Most of these curses are uttered without understanding that they are curses. Consider these examples: "We all make mistakes!", "You will never learn.", "You are always finding fault!", "I have hay fever every spring.", "I'm sick.", "Well I'll be damned!", "God to hell!", "Accidents are bound to happen.", "You do not listen to a thing I say.", "They are in the 'terrible two's stage now.", "You little devil.", "I'm incurably curious.", "I'm not good at \_\_\_\_\_.", "I can't quit smoking.", "My children are driving me crazy.", "My husband never helps around the house.", "My son will not obey me.", "My wife doesn't love me.", "Life is hell for me.", "Guess I'll just go to hell if I don't change my ways.", "That burns me up!", "That makes me sick.", "This headache is killing me.", "I'm just dying to go!", "That just tickles me to death!", "I'm from Missouri, you'll have to show me." (All residents of Missouri have probably said this curse at one time or another, thus cursing themselves even though they thought it was a joke. Therefore, they are all under the Missouri mule curse of stubbornness and hardheadedness.)

These are only a few of the more typical kinds of curses. They permit demons to enter you, your household and your life. The spirits come against you and the person they are uttered against. If you claim a spirit of complaining for your wife, or a spirit of disobedience for your child, they can never get 100% free of that spirit until you break the curse.

In accordance with the word of God, we are bound by the words we speak. The Lord says we shall do in accordance with everything we say.

**If a man vows a vow to the LORD,  
or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement,  
He shall not break his word;**

**He shall do according to all  
That proceeds out of his mouth.**

Nu.30:2

He did not say He would forget about the words we have forgotten about. He did not say He would cancel out the things we

(pg.45) said, but “did not really mean.” He said we are bound by ALL our words.

**But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak,  
They will give account of it in the day of judgment.**

**For by your words you will be justified,  
And by your words you will be condemned.**

M't.12:36,37

Therefore if we wish to loosen ourselves and others from these bonds, we must break every curse and vow we have ever spoken. Jesus gave us the means to break them.

**And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven,  
And whatever you bind on earth  
Will be bound in heaven,  
And whatever you loose on earth  
Will be loosed in heaven.**

M't.16:19

The Holy Spirit will bring to our remembrance the curses we have forgotten. They may be revealed in prayer, in dreams, or as we walk about. If there is a period in our past in which many curses and vows were spoken, we may ask the Holy Spirit to take us back to that time and bring to our remembrance every binding word spoken. As you seek revelation you will find that the Lord requires you to break those words before you can have a deeper walk with Him.

To be set free of the curses that have been put upon your life, you must break each one individually. You may keep a written record of the curses you break and add to it each time another curse comes out of your mouth or into your remembrance. Then you may look back and see how deeply you had been cursed, and that you were actually living in hell by the fruit of your lips (words). You may follow the same procedures with the curses put upon you by others. Curses from others can only light upon us if we have a wish or desire in our heart for something that is wrong.

**Like a flitting sparrow, like a flying swallow,  
So a curse without cause shall not alight.**

Pr.26:2

Any curse brought to your remembrance, particularly those put upon you during childhood and other formative periods, should be broken.

## **HERE IS HOW TO BREAK A CURSE.** (pg.46)

First ask for the anointing of the Holy Spirit and receive it on faith. Then pray this prayer:

**Lord God, I ask you to cover the following words** (repeat curse exactly) **with the blood of Jesus and to break these words and make them void and of no power thereon. I replace these words with the words of God** (godly replacement) **to counteract and replace the curse. I set to flight the demons by the** (name, number) **according to Deuteronomy 32:30-31** *How could one chase a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight, Unless their Rock had sold them, And the LORD had surrendered them? 31 For their rock is not like our Rock, Even our enemies themselves being judges.*

Set to flight 1,000 demons if you are alone, 10,000 if two people are present, 100,000 if three people are present, and 1,000,000 if four or more people are present.

The words to replace a curse will depend upon the curse made. For example if the curse was, "I am depressed", the godly words of replacement might be, "The joy of the Lord is my strength." Or you might replace the words, "No one cares about me.", with "The love of God for me surpasses all understanding."

**For we all stumble in many things,  
If anyone does not stumble in word,  
He is a perfect man,  
Able also to bridle the whole body.**

Jo. 3:2

As you break curses and vows in accordance with God's word, areas of your life that previously had not yielded to improvement will begin to change. Your family will be set free from words that come against them. Your wife will cease the wrongful disagreeable behaviors you have claimed for her. And the burdens you carry from the curses you have placed on yourself and others will be lifted.

**And the tongue is a fire,  
A world of iniquity.**

M't.15:18

**The tongue is so set among our members  
That it defiles the whole body,  
And sets on fire the course of nature:  
And it is set on fire by hell.**

Ja.3:6

## **NAMES AS CURSES** (pg.47)

A person's name or nickname can also be a curse. The nature of the curse is determined by the root meaning or dictionary definition of the name. Middle names may be important, too. A person's character on the outside may be consistent with their first name, while their middle name may be a hidden personality inside them. Some people must change their name before they can overcome certain demons in their life. There is no way around it. Every time that name is spoken, they are cursed by it. To be completely free of the curse, they must have a legal name change, and change their name among all who use it. Until the name is changed on paper, as well as among those who speak it, Satan still has a hold in their life.

Many examples are set in the Scriptures for changes in name. The Lord changed Abraham's name from Abram, and Sarah's name from Sarai. Jacob became Israel. Saul became Paul. Simon became Peter. In each case, the change in meaning of the name reflected a change in spiritual condition in accordance with God's purpose. The name reflects the spirit. A name is a spirit. Therefore, you cannot have a godly walk by an ungodly spirit which is present because of an ungodly name (Ps.52:9;Isa.65:15, Eze.36:26). *(Ps.52:9 I will praise You forever, Because You have done it; And in the presence of Your saints I will wait on Your name, for it is good. ;Isa.65:15, You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; For the Lord GOD will slay you, And call His servants by another name;Eze.36:26"i will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.)*

**A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches,  
Loving favor rather than silver and gold.**

Pr.22:1

**You shall be called by a new name,  
Which the mouth of the LORD will name.**

Isa.62:2

If you pray for a new name and commit it to Him, you will find one. He will show you the way to a new name. He may reveal it to you in full or in part. He may reveal it by a dream or by His voice. He may require you to recognize the right name by faith. When you have the right name, you will feel right with it. If you choose the wrong name, the Spirit will not give you perfect peace with it.

