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SECTION A: SODOMY

The Creation Story:

When God created the world and all we see around us, He **spoke** all things into being.

He very carefully and lovingly prepared this world and **all** that is in it like parents would prepare a **nursery** for the new born baby.

He did it all for man to enjoy all his days upon the earth. God spoke to the **earth** and the trees and all vegetation came into being. If you take a tree out of the soil – its source – it dies. God did the same with the fish in the sea – He spoke to the **waters** and created all the sea / water creatures and plants. Again, if you take the fish out of its source, it dies.

When God made **man**, He spoke to **Himself**: “Let **Us** make man in Our Image.” He took out of Himself **LIFE** which belongs to Him only, and placed it into man. Man was created from God – God is man’s **Source**. If man walks away from God, He is cut off from his Source and will die!

The purpose of this book is to help man find his way back to God and to be restored to his Source. May God give us His grace as we journey back into His **Presence** through the Door, **Yeshua**, and by His **Blood** alone, this has been made possible!!

HALLELUJAH!!



INTRODUCTION

“In the beginning” we find the opening words of the Torah (the first five books of the Bible). Words which define a specific point in time when God implements a plan to turn “chaos” into His creation – a creation which He describes as **“It was Good”**.

This moment in time lasts for a period of six days before God declares *“It is finished”*. He uses a different set of words: it says that He *“ended His works and ‘sanctified’ it by resting on the seventh day”*.



Gen. 2:2-3 *“2 And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. 3 And God blessed (spoke good of) the seventh day, set it apart as His own, and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all His work which He had created and done.”*

God tells us that this day / this specific point in eternity is where we measure the world from – God calls it **history**:

Gen. 2:4 *“4 This is the history of the heavens and of the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.”*

We need to pause here to let this concept sink in.

God moves into **chaos** to create something **good**.

This profound truth remains one of the simplest and yet most powerful messages of the entire gospel and gets reinforced and repeated in lesson after lesson to constantly declare God’s Love for us.

At a practical level, God – at my request – enters into the chaos of my life:

- the generational lineage;
- my personal mindset;
- my personal sinful nature;

to make something **good**, by the continuing work of the Blood of Yeshua, the Messiah.

There is a purpose for this transformation, namely that I will go forth to redeem that part of the world that I **have dominion** over by reflecting the:

- goals of the Kingdom of God.
- love of the Father.

Man's Job / Calling / Mandate:

God's creation of man needs some detailed study. The declaration of the act is found in **Gen. 2:7**.

Gen. 2:7 *"7 Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath or spirit of life, and man became a living being."*

Creation of Man:

- God "**formed**" man – the Hebrew word used here is "yatsar" and means:
 - To mould
 - To shape (much as a potter does).

We see here that the **body of man is formed**.

Ps. 94:9 *"9 He Who planted the ear, shall He not hear? He Who **formed** the eye, shall He not see?"*

Ps. 95:5 *"5 The sea is His, for He made it; and His hands **formed** the dry land."*

Is 45:18 *"18 For thus says the Lord—Who created the heavens, God Himself, Who **formed the earth** and made it, Who established it and did not create it to be a worthless waste; He **formed it** to be inhabited—I am the Lord, and there is no one else."*

God uses the dust of the earth to make man's body – soil which God declares **is good**.

Gen. 1:10 *"10 God called **the dry land Earth**, and the accumulated waters He called Seas. And God saw that **this was good** (fitting, admirable) and He approved it."*

- God breathes the **breath of life** into his nostrils and he (man) becomes a **living** soul:

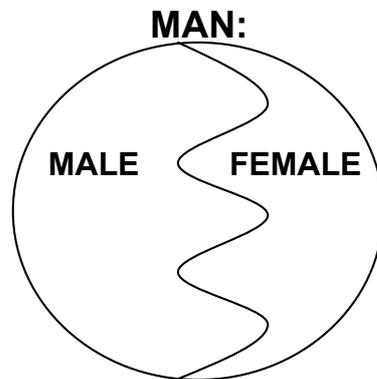
Gen. 2:7 *"7 Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath or spirit of life, and man **became a living being**."*

We see from this scripture that both man's **soul and his spirit** are **created**.

Gen. 1:26-27 “26 God said, Let Us [Father, Son, and Holy Spirit] make mankind in Our image, after Our likeness, and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the [tame] beasts, and over all of the earth, and over everything that creeps upon the earth.
27 So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

- Man in this state is made in the likeness of God **and** he was **complete** – being both **male and female**:

Gen. 5:1-2 “1 **THIS IS** the book (the written record, the history) of the generations of the offspring of Adam. When God created man, He made him in the likeness of God.
2 He **created them male and female** and blessed them and named them [both] Adam [Man] at the time they were created.”



Man's Purpose:

God goes on to plan and make a **specific place** to tabernacle – a place called the **Garden of Eden** and he puts **man** in it.



Gen. 2:8-9 “8 And the Lord God **planted a garden** toward the east, in Eden [delight]; and **there He put the man** whom He had formed (framed, constituted).

9 And out of the ground the Lord God made to grow **every tree** that is **pleasant** to the sight or to be desired—good (suitable, pleasant) for food; the tree of life also in the center of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of [the difference between] good and evil and blessing and calamity.”

God goes forth to set clear boundaries to the Garden of Eden / or place of Covenantal relation.

He gives **man** a job. Note: during all of this time we only find reference to **man** – he has **no name**.

Gen. 2:15 “15 And the Lord God took **the man** and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and guard and keep it.”

Not only does man get a **job**, but he is **immediately empowered** with the freedom of choice to be obedient to God or not.

Gen. 2:16-17 “16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, **You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;**
17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

God’s Mandate to Man (keep in mind there’s no Eve yet):

Man is to:

- dress
- till
- keep

the garden.

The Hebrew word for “keep” which is the word used here is “shamar” and literally means:

- to guard
- to protect
- to build a **hedge around**.

Later after the fall, we still find that this mandate / job is part of man’s world, albeit with some more trials and tribulations:

Gen. 3:24 “24 So [God] **drove out the man**; and He placed at the east of the Garden of Eden the cherubim and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep and guard the way to the tree of life.”



Gen. 17:9-10 “9 And God said to Abraham, As for you, you shall therefore keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations.
10 This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and you and your posterity after you: Every male among you shall be circumcised.”

Ps. 17:8 “8 Keep and guard me as the pupil of Your eye; hide me in the shadow of Your wings”

Truth: man **must build a hedge of protection around** the Garden of Eden / **the place of covenantal relationship**, and had to do this before Eve was contemplated.

God Introduces a Helper for Man:

It is only after:

- man has been **placed** in Eden;
- man has been mandated to **protect**;
- man has a commandment to **keep**;

that God decides that **man** needs a partner and it is at this momentous stage that **man** becomes known as **Adam**.

Gen. 2:18-20 “18 Now the Lord God said, It is not good (sufficient, satisfactory) that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper meet (suitable, adapted, complementary) for him.
19 And out of the ground the Lord God formed every [wild] beast and living creature of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to **Adam** to see what he would call them; and whatever Adam called every living creature, that was its name.
20 And Adam gave names to all the livestock and to the birds of the air and to every [wild] beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a helper meet (suitable, adapted, complementary) for him.”

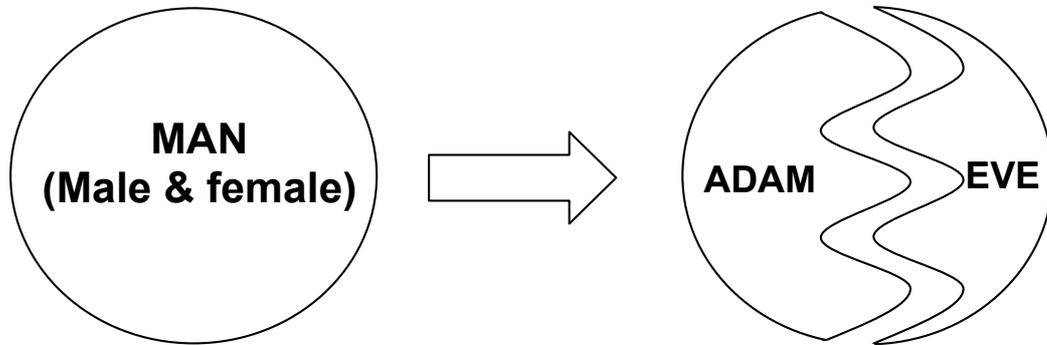
I illustrated earlier that man was a created being, male and female, a **complete unity of oneness** in God’s Image.

God now comes and takes this oneness and makes it into two halves, i.e. it’s only when they are joined together again that we can speak of **one**.

Gen. 2:21-24 “21 And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam; and while he slept, He took one of his ribs or a **part of his side** and closed up the [place with] flesh.



22 And the rib or part of his side which the Lord God had taken from the man He built up and **made into a woman**, and He brought her to the man.
 23 Then Adam said, This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of a man.
 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall become united and cleave to his wife, and they shall **become one flesh**.”



Truth:

It is clear from this passage that man and woman **are equal**.
 The woman is taken from the **side** of man,
 ...not from his **head** so that she can **lord over** him,
 ...not from his **feet** so that he can **trample** on her,
 ...man’s fulfilment **requires companionship!**



God’s Smallest unit of the Principle of the Garden of Eden – A Family:

As I have build up this study a number of principles begin to emerge. In a sense we may have already touched on them but I want to highlight them within the concept of the topic of family:

1. Oneness

God creates man in His Image; very clearly man has a unique ability / calling / talent which set him **above** the rest of creation. Just as God is ruler over the universe, so man has dominion over the earth.

Woman is created from man – fully an equal – in fact the oneness of man is now clearly **separated** into 2 parts and needs to be reunited to flow to the highest potential. Man and woman are needed to guard and tend the Garden. For Apostolic Reformation to take place, man and woman need to be restored to their full inheritance as kings and priests!

2. Relationship

God puts man in the garden and then forms this intimate relationship to the extend that God **brings** each animal **to man** to name, i.e. he **walked** with man, **talked** with man, and **waited expectantly** to **see** what man would call each creature. I think that He had tremendous joy when He saw man name each creature after its nature.

Gen. 2:19 *“19 And out of the ground the Lord God formed every [wild] beast and living creature of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them; and **whatever Adam called every living creature, that was its name.**”*

God decides that man (Adam) must have a helper – a companion – and to make sure that they would perfectly complement one another, He **separated Eve from Adam.**

Gen. 2:23 *“23 Then Adam said, This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she **was taken out of a man.**”*

3. Life

Adam and Eve are put into the Garden of Eden and told of the **Tree of Life.**

The Hebrew word for life is “chayah” and really means **lives** i.e. plural, the ability to preserve, to revive.

Anyone (i.e. everyone) who are of this tree would live – forever! Interestingly, we are told by Yeshua:

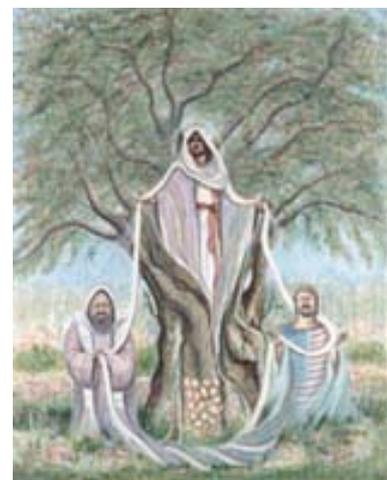
- eat of My Body,
- drink of My Blood,

and **you will have eternal life!**

Rev. 2:7 *“7 He who is able to hear, let him listen to and give heed to what the Spirit says to the assemblies (churches). To him who overcomes (is victorious), I will **grant to eat** [of the fruit] of **the tree of life**, which is in the paradise of God.”*

In essence, the plan for the redemption was already planted in the Garden – Yeshua!

Prov. 3:18 *“18 She is a **tree of life** to those who **lay hold on her**; and happy (blessed, fortunate, to be envied) is everyone who holds her fast.”*



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Rev. 22:2 “2 Through the middle of the Broadway of the city; also, on either side of the river was the **tree of life** with its twelve varieties of fruit, yielding each month its fresh crop; and the leaves of the tree were for the **healing** and the **restoration** of the nations.”

4. Be Fruitful and Multiply

Interestingly, God gives this proclamation of multiplication, of descendants to man before the miracle of Eve.

Gen. 1:27-28 “27 So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; **male and female He created them**. 28 And God blessed them and said to them, **Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth**, and subdue it [using all its vast resources in the service of God and man]; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living creature that moves upon the earth.”

There is an interesting parallel here with the story of Abraham who also gets a promise of descendants at a time when it does not seem to be possible.

However, God draws Eve out of Adam’s side and the opportunity for multiplication is born in an instant.

Within the Garden of Eden, and with the Presence of God, sexual relationship had the highest level of **purity**.

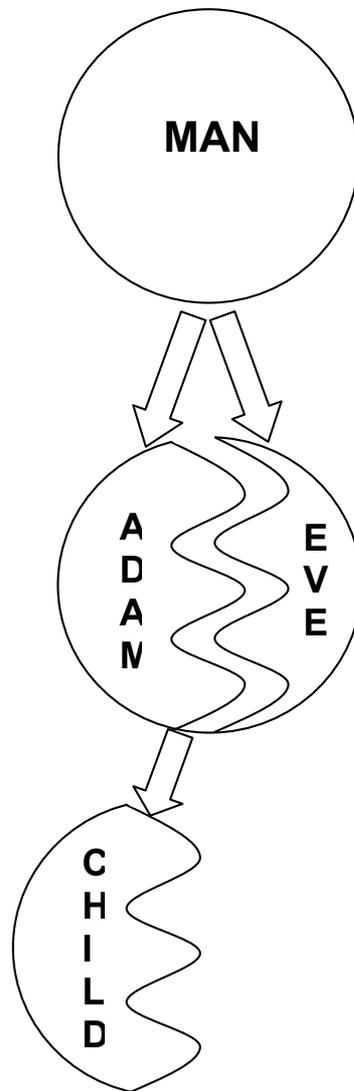
Gen. 2:25 “25 And the man and his wife were both **naked** and **were not embarrassed** or **ashamed** in each other’s presence.”

Both Adam and Eve are whole in themselves, they have **emotional** and **physical security**.

Yeshua comes to tell us that if we see Him, we will see the Father. Adam and Eve see the Father every moment and are **unashamed**. The unity of Adam and Eve was one in:

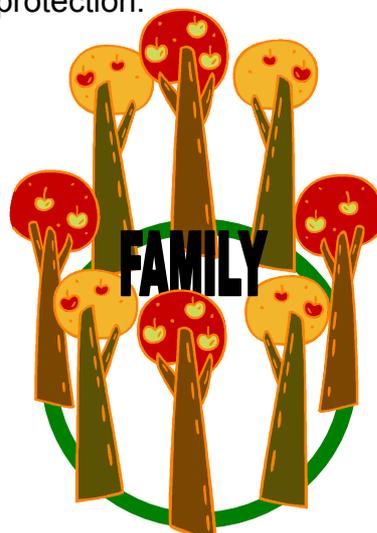
- Body
- Soul and
- Spirit.

It is **this foundation** that God wanted children to be formed in the womb of Eve. Each child would be a process of creation in a world of love, security and peace.



5. Have Dominion:

Adam was a **hedge builder**, he was supposed to set out the boundary line and build a hedge of protection.



This implies that you dig holes, fertilize, plant trees, water, prune, etc. every day of your life.

Job was a man after God's Heart – he takes his responsibility seriously and walks this path.

Job 1:1 *"1 THERE WAS a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who [reverently] feared God and abstained from and shunned evil [because it was wrong]."*

His hedge was standing tall:

Job 1:10a *"10 Have You not put a **hedge about him** and his house and all that he has, **on every side**? You have conferred prosperity and happiness upon him in the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land."*

Yeshua comes to include the Gentile nations into the Covenant:

The Torah is a book of the relationship of a Covenant-keeping God and a people He has chosen and who chose to obey Him.

All through the Torah we see that the relationship is not **exclusive**. Aliens and sojourners can by a free will choose to come to worship the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Paul confirms this relationship in Ephesians, but goes on to say that Yeshua has destroyed the dividing wall so that **all** may **have access** to God.

Eph. 2:11-18 *"11 Therefore, remember that at **one time you were Gentiles** (heathens) in the flesh, called **Uncircumcision** by those who called themselves Circumcision, [itself a mere mark] in the flesh made by human hands.
12 [Remember] that you were at **that time separated** (living apart) from Christ [excluded from all part in Him], **utterly estranged and outlawed** from the rights of Israel as a nation, and strangers with no share in the sacred compacts of the [Messianic] promise [with no knowledge of or right in God's agreements, His covenants]. And you **had no hope** (no promise); you **were in the world without God**.
13 **But now in Christ Jesus, you** who once were [so] far away, through (by, in) the blood of Christ **have been brought near**.
14 For He is [Himself] our peace (our bond of unity and harmony). He has made us both [Jew and Gentile] one [body], and has broken down (destroyed, abolished) the hostile dividing wall between us,
15 By abolishing in His [own crucified] flesh the enmity [caused by] the Law with its decrees and ordinances [which He annulled]; that He from the two might create in Himself one new man [one new quality of humanity out of the two], so making peace.*

16 And [He designed] to **reconcile to God both [Jew and Gentile, united]** in a single body by means of His cross, thereby killing the mutual enmity and bringing the feud to an end.

17 And He came and preached the glad tidings of peace to you who were afar off and [peace] to those who were near.

18 For it is through Him that we both [whether far off or near] now have an introduction (access) by one [Holy] Spirit to the Father [so that we are able to approach Him].”

Of particular importance, from Paul’s perspective is that we do not have **two** different covenants, **two** different rules of engagement, **two** different ways of worship **BUT** we are members of **ONE** household.

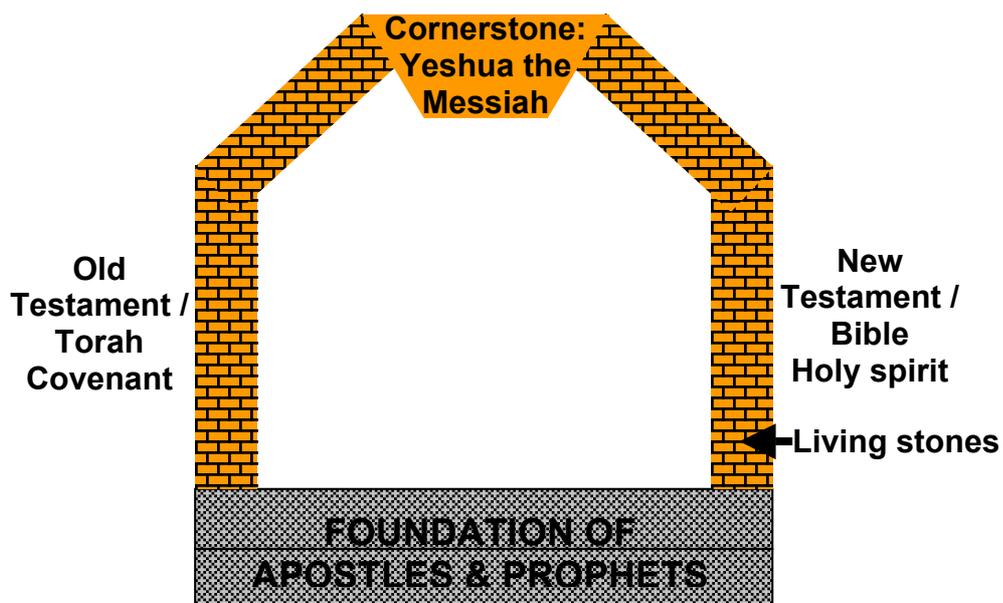
Eph. 2:19-22 “19 Therefore you are no longer outsiders (exiles, migrants, and aliens, excluded from the rights of citizens), but you **now share citizenship** with the saints (God’s own people, consecrated and set apart for Himself); **and you belong to God’s [own] household.**

20 You are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself the chief Cornerstone.

21 In Him the **whole structure is joined** (bound, welded) **together** harmoniously, and it continues to rise (grow, increase) **into a holy temple** in the Lord [a sanctuary dedicated, consecrated, and sacred to the presence of the Lord].

22 In Him [and in fellowship with one another] you yourselves also are being built up [into this structure] with the rest, to form a fixed abode (dwelling place) of God in (by, through) the Spirit.”

It would help to draw a picture of this **one** household:



God's picture of Marriage / Family continue in the New Testament:

Paul wrote the message of a family / marriage as the smallest form of a tabernacle where the unity, love, relationship can be revealed to the world.

Eph. 5:22-31 “22 **Wives, be subject** (be submissive and adapt yourselves) **to your own husbands** as [a service] to the Lord.
23 For the husband is head of the wife as Christ is the Head of the church, Himself the Savior of [His] body.
24 As the church is subject to Christ, so let wives also be subject in everything to their husbands.
25 **Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her,**
26 So that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the Word,
27 That He might present the church to Himself in glorious splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such things [that she might be holy and faultless].
28 **Even so husbands should love their wives as [being in a sense] their own bodies.** He who loves his own wife loves himself.
29 For no man ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and carefully protects and cherishes it, as Christ does the church,
30 Because we are members (parts) of His body.
31 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

Yeshua goes on to expand the concept of man / woman to include children:

Eph. 6:1-4 “1 **CHILDREN, OBEY your parents** in the Lord [as His representatives], for this is just and right.
2 **Honor** (esteem and value as precious) **your father and your mother**—this is the first commandment with a promise—
3 That all may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth.
4 **Fathers, do not irritate and provoke your children to anger** [do not exasperate them to resentment], but rear them [tenderly] in the training and discipline and the counsel and admonition of the Lord.”



Man chooses to Disobey God – to just follow his Own Sense of Direction:

Both the Torah and the New Testament show the **many** times man chooses to deviate from God's chosen path. God continues to keep the possibility of a return to the righteous paths open. He readily accepts anyone who decides to **repent**.

The path of separation, i.e. my own decision to move away to do “my own thing” **occurs in stages**. Little acts of rebellion lead to further acts of wrongdoing. As these deeds pile up, my conscience starts to become numb to any concept of goodness and later on I no longer care.

However, we know what we have done is wrong – we realize that there is a sense of **shame** and we no longer want to be near the tabernacle.

The role model that is presented to my children starts off **from this base of “far from God”** consequently **their perception of values** and morals is **weaker** than my own.

Israel / man choose to go down to Egypt during a time of famine. After a short period of time the famine is **over**, but Israel elects to stay **outside** of the land of promise. The conditions in Egypt are better than Israel (the grass is greener) – why go back?

God leads them out at the time of Passover, however the same people who witness the miracle, do not have faith for the “physical man” in Canaan and die in the wilderness.

The next generation grow up, follow Joshua into Canaan and inherit a blessing. So what’s the problem?!

a) **Fatherless generation**

Each family that goes into Canaan does so **without** the value, wisdom and **support of the “grey haired” generation**. They have to start a new life in a new land on their own. Their support system / prayer system is non-existent.



b) **No generational legacy**

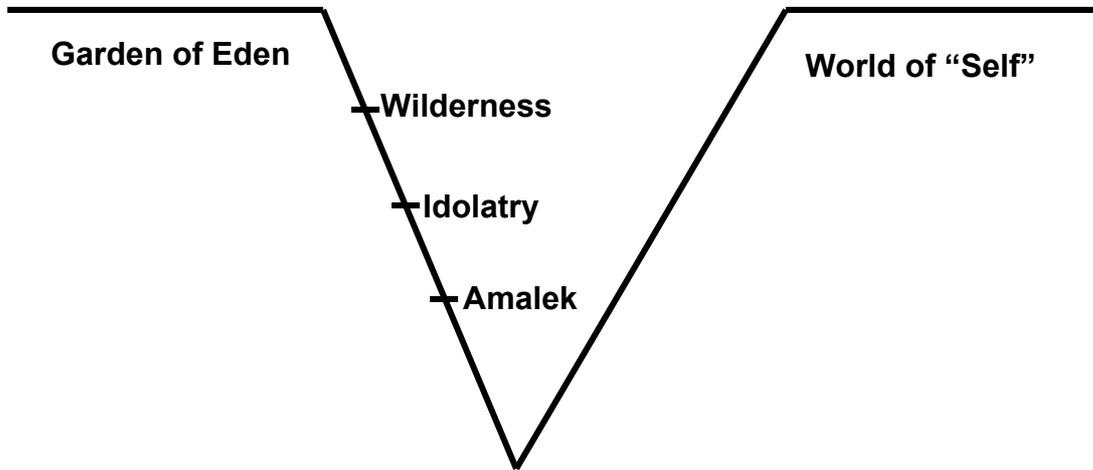
Every father has his job / mandate of multiplying his seed as sons and daughters. In addition he has the opportunity to create the foundation of a generational legacy or blessing. He can leave an inheritance in one form or another (business / farm / etc.). The land cleared by the father, can be ploughed by the son. An olive tree takes seven years to bear fruit, but lives for 1000 years – it’s the later generation that really reap the benefit. This generation has to start from **scratch**.

c) **Inherited / Generational weakness of not being able to claim the blessing**

These Israelites eventually move into Canaan – God gave man / Adam dominion over the **whole** garden. This promise is repeated for this generation. However the inherited generational weakness not to push through to the end – to the fullness of the blessing has the effect that the Israelites compromise and do not destroy the other nations entirely.

Man had started to create the path of a **negative** generational legacy for his family, a path of ever increasing circles of wrongdoing and sin.

Step to Self:



One can describe the process in a number of ways. I have elected to summarize the steps away from this radiant family of God tabernacle to "self" in three major steps:

i. Wilderness / Lack of Legacy

The children of Israel are delivered from Egypt – it is one marvellous night of miracles.

Ex. 12:31 "31 He called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, get out from among my people, both you and the Israelites; and go, serve the Lord, as you said."

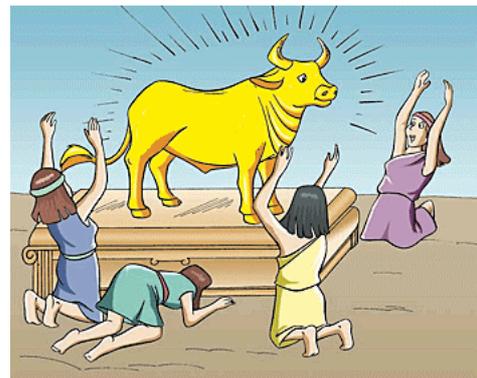


They are a "free" people. By faith in God they have been set free – not to do what they like, but to be servants to the Most High God.

At Mount Sinai they declare their willingness to be a people who are "set apart", holy priests.

Ex. 19:8 "8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord has spoken we will do. And Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord."

However, the people exercises their gift of freedom of choice, they choose to make a golden calf and to worship an idol.



Ex. 32:4 “4 And he received the gold at their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made it a molten calf; and they said, These are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt!”

Not long after this, after the relationship between God and the people had been restored, they come to the land of Canaan. Here they decide to let one leader of each tribe be a spy to find out what they will encounter.

Num. 13:1-2 “1 AND THE Lord said to Moses, Numbers 13:2 (AMP) 2 Send men to explore and scout out [for yourselves] the land of Canaan, which I give to the Israelites. From each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader or head among them.”

The father of each tribe chooses a “prince” to go in on their behalf, unfortunately the choice is based on:

- the man’s looks / charisma / charm, i.e. the external
- and not on the man’s faith and character.

With the exception of two men, the balance is filled with:

- **fear** instead of **faith**;
- **despair** instead of **hope**

and exercise the right to freedom of choice to go into the wilderness.

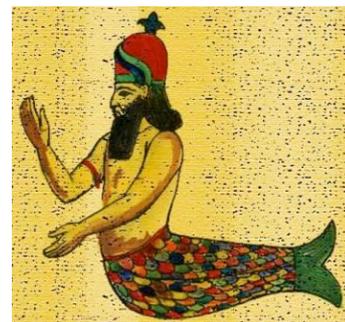
We learn that every one of those (other than the two) and their entire generation perished in the wilderness.

When the next generation entered the land of promise, they had no father to hold their hands up high, no words of wisdom to give Godly direction, not words of encouragement to tackle the obstacles and they had lost the benefit of one generation’s ownership.

ii. Idolatry

Man from earliest times, has exercised the willingness to turn away from God the Creator to worship “other” gods.

We see this with the people of Israel that turn to the Golden calf, to Baal worship, the worship of the sun, moon, stars, as well as idols made of gold and silver.



In today’s modern world we have created similar idols, our focus on self-promotion, work, sport are all forms of “other” gods that take our focus away from our principle calling / anointing. The preoccupation with an “own” vision even in the ministry world can easily be greater than the focus on the Kingdom of God. Man in his focus to come out on top looks to the world’s concept of wisdom, i.e. he **starts to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil.**



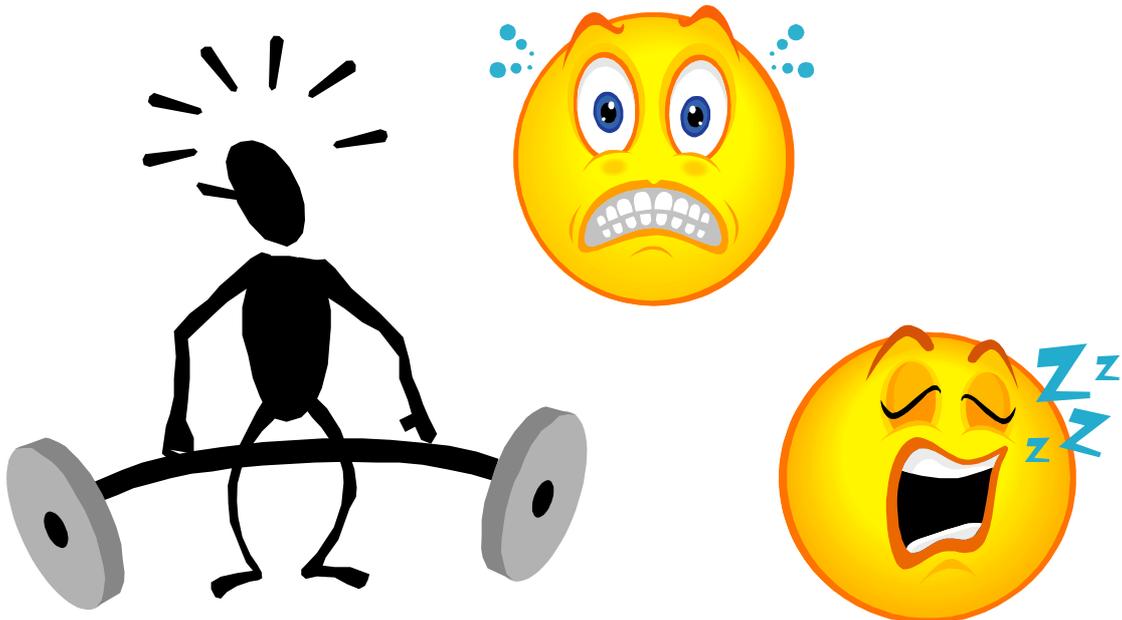
“Nuclear energy” has led to war /
destruction in chemical plants.

iii. Spirit of Amalek

Amalek is a spirit which came to attack the aged / weak / lost by war,
death, hatred and pain.

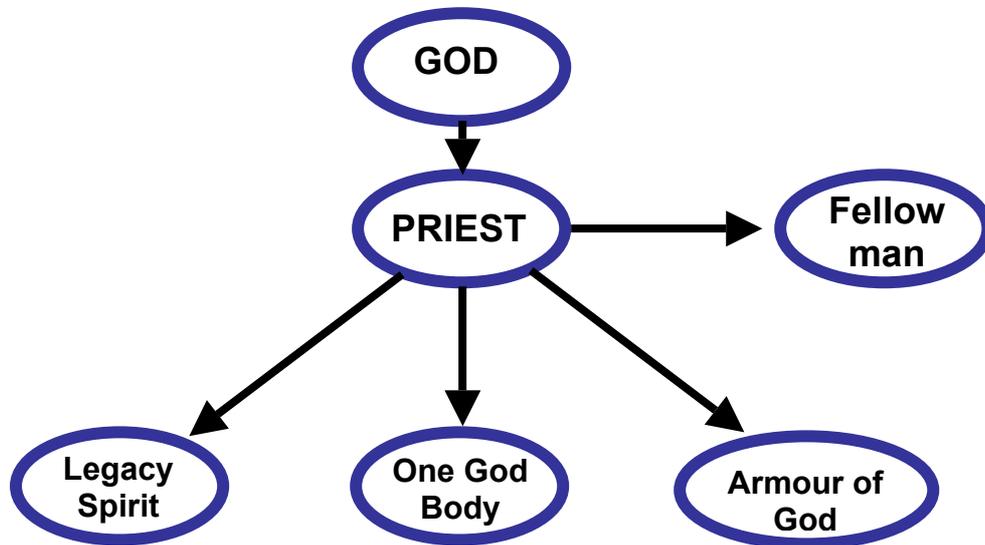
This spirit wants to isolate God’s people and bring them into a place of
despondency. God tells Moses that the children of God will fight against
this spirit in **every generation**.

This spirit causes the **soul of man**, the mind, will and emotions to
become weak, afraid and passive.

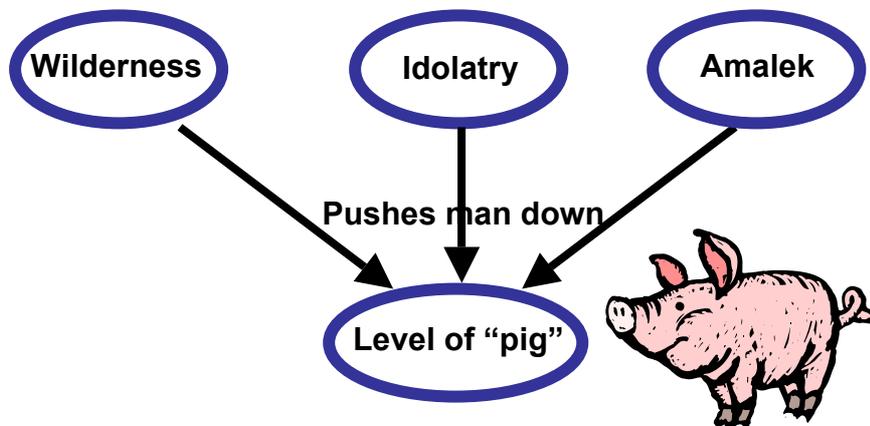


Reversal of the Role of Priest / Father:

God's plan is for a nation of Priests – men who have integrity, prophetic direction and vision to lead their family.



The “priest” is devalued, **pulled down** to the level of the world and soon, like the prodigal son to the level of the **pigs**.



Man, living at this level only thinks about **himself**, his **own** needs and how **he** can **be satisfied** in life. The result is **chaos** – man has reversed God's creation to its most **destructive** elements, back to **chaos**.

MAN'S DECLINE TO THE LEVEL OF PERVERSION – SODOMY

Lot and Sodomy

Lot means to **envelope**, a **covering**.

Genesis 13:12-13 *“12 Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelt in the cities of the [Jordan] Valley and moved his tent as far as Sodom and dwelt there.
13 But the men of Sodom were wicked and exceedingly great sinners against the Lord.”*

Lot was deciding where to live, and he made a choice to live near Sodom. This fatal choice determined his destiny. Sodom was a city notorious for its wickedness, depravity and degeneration.

Then in **Genesis 14:8-9**, Chedorlaomer, King of the Nations, made war with the King of Sodom and the King of Gomorrah. There was a huge battle of the kings.



Genesis 14:10-12 *“10 Now the Valley of Siddim was full of slime or bitumen pits, and as the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, they fell (were overthrown) there and the remainder [of the kings] fled to the mountain.
11 [The victors] took all the wealth of Sodom and Gomorrah and all the supply of provisions and departed.
12 And they also took Lot, Abram’s brother’s son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods away with them.”*

News came to Abraham of the captivity, and Abraham went out to rescue Lot and all his family. When our families get entangled with sodomy, the whole family get caught in the trap.

Righteous Abraham was used to bring release – he defeated the enemy. But then **King Sodom demanded to have Lot back again.**

The battle with the King of Sodom is not a simple one!

God told Abraham that the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah was so terrible he would have to destroy the twin city. Abraham began to intercede for his nephew Lot living in SIN CITY.

Genesis 19:1,4-8 *“1 IT WAS evening when the two angels came to Sodom. Lot was sitting at Sodom’s [city] gate. Seeing them, Lot rose up to meet them and bowed to the ground.*

4 But before they lay down, the men of the city of Sodom, both young and old, all the men from every quarter, surrounded the house.
5 And they called to Lot and said, Where are the men who came to you tonight? **Bring them out to us, that we may know (be intimate with) them.**
6 And Lot went out of the door to the men and shut the door after him
7 And said, I beg of you, my brothers, **do not behave so wickedly.**
8 Look now, I have two daughters who are virgins; let me, I beg of you, bring them out to you, and you can do as you please with them. But only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the protection of my roof.”

Although Lot had begun in Sodom as a sojourner, he soon acted like a citizen, and became embedded in the moral standards. He had become comfortable. He and his whole family became one lived like the inhabitants of Sodom.

We can easily become blinded to the full effects that sodomy is having on our families because maybe one of our family members chose to be involved in **Freemasonry or some other work of sodomy.**

2 Peter 2:7-8 “7 And He rescued righteous Lot, **greatly worn out and distressed by the wanton ways of the ungodly and lawless—**
8 For that just man, living [there] among them, **tortured his righteous soul every day with what he saw and heard of [their] unlawful and wicked deeds—**“

This reveals Lot's condition. He was tortured in his soul, but didn't know how to get out. He was **trapped!**



Genesis 19:11-21, 24-26, 28 “11 And they struck the men who were at the door of the house with blindness [which dazzled them], from the youths to the old men, so that they wearied themselves [groping] to find the door.

12 And the [two] men asked Lot, Have you any others here—sons-in-law or your sons or your daughters? Whomever you have in the city, bring them out of this place,

13 For **we will spoil and destroy [Sodom]**; for the outcry and shriek against its people has grown great before the Lord, and He has sent us to destroy it.

14 And Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, and said, Up, get out of this place, for the Lord will spoil and destroy this city! But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be [only] joking.

15 When morning came, the angels urged Lot to hurry, saying, Arise, take your wife and two daughters who are here [and be off], lest you [too] be consumed and swept away in the iniquity and punishment of the city.”

16 But while he lingered, the men seized him and his wife and his two daughters by the hand, for the Lord was merciful to him; and they brought him forth and set him outside the city and left him there.

17 And when they had brought them forth, they said, Escape for your life! Do not look behind you or stop anywhere in the whole valley; escape to the mountains [of Moab], lest you be consumed.

18 And Lot said to them, Oh, not that, my lords!
 19 Behold now, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your kindness and mercy to me in saving my life; but I cannot escape to the mountains, lest the evil overtake me, and I die.
 20 See now yonder city; it is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Oh, let me escape to it! Is it not a little one? And my life will be saved!
 21 And [the angel] said to him, See, I have yielded to your entreaty concerning this thing also; I will not destroy this city of which you have spoken.
 24 Then the **Lord rained on Sodom and on Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of the heavens.**
 25 He overthrew, destroyed, and ended those cities, and the entire valley and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.
 26 But [Lot's] wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.
 28 And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the valley, and saw, and behold, the smoke of the country went up like the smoke of a furnace.”

God prohibits perversion in Sexual Relationships:

God is very specific, He has a clear mandate to man that **this type of sexual behaviour is unacceptable within the terms of His Covenantal relationship.**

God determines that His Sanctuary will be pure and holy.

1 Pet. 1:16 “16 For it is written, **You shall be holy, for I am holy.**”

Since we are now “living stones” forming a human sanctuary. It is clear that each stone has to be pure or else the inner sanctuary **has been defiled.**

- **Male Perversion:**

Deut. 23:17-18 “17 There shall be no cult prostitute among the daughters of Israel, neither shall there be a cult prostitute (a sodomite) among the sons of Israel.

18 You shall **not bring the hire of a harlot or the price of a dog (a sodomite) into the house of the Lord** your God as payment of a vow, for both of these [the gift and the giver] are an abomination to the Lord your God.”



1 Cor. 6:9 “9 Do you not know that the unrighteous and the wrongdoers will not inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived (misled): neither the impure and immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, **nor those who participate in homosexuality,**”

Luke 7:25 “25 Then what did you go out to see? **A man dressed up in soft garments?** Behold, those who wear fine apparel and live in luxury are in the courts or palaces of kings.”

Joel 3:3 “3 And they have cast lots for My people, **and have given a boy for a harlot and have sold a girl for juice [of the grape] and have drunk it.**”

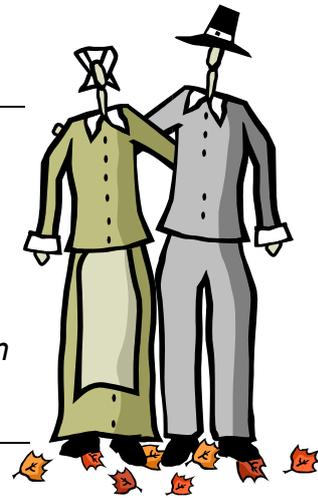
- **Female perversion:**

1 Cor. 11:14 “14 Does not the **native sense of propriety** (experience, common sense, reason) itself **teach you that for a man to wear long hair is a dishonor [humiliating and degrading] to him,**”



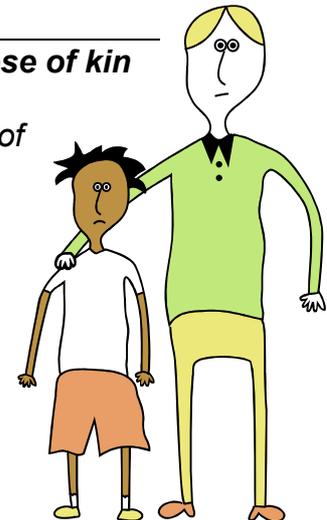
- **General perversion – both male and female:**

Lev. 18:22-24 “22 You shall **not lie with a man as with a woman; it is an abomination.**
23 Neither shall you **lie with any beast** and defile yourself with it; neither shall any woman yield herself to a beast to lie with it; it is confusion, perversion, and degradedly carnal.
24 Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, for in all these things the nations are defiled which I am casting out before you.”



- **Incestuous relationship:**

Lev. 18:6-19 “6 None of you shall approach **anyone close of kin to him** to have sexual relations. I am the Lord.
7 The nakedness of your father, which is the nakedness of your mother, you shall not uncover; she is your mother; you shall not have intercourse with her.
8 The nakedness of your father’s wife you shall not uncover; it is your father’s nakedness.
9 You shall not have intercourse with or uncover the nakedness of your sister, the **daughter of your father** or of your mother, whether born at home or born abroad.
10 You must not have sexual relations with your son’s daughter or your daughter’s daughter; their nakedness you shall not uncover, for they are your own flesh.
11 You must not have **intercourse with your father’s wife’s daughter**; begotten by your father, she is your sister; you shall not uncover her nakedness.
12 You shall not have intercourse with your father’s sister; she is your father’s near kinswoman.



13 You shall not have **sexual relations with your mother's sister**, for she is your mother's near kinswoman.
 14 You shall not have intercourse with your father's brother's wife; you shall not approach his wife; she is your aunt.
 15 You shall not uncover the nakedness of your daughter-in-law; she is your son's wife; you shall not have intercourse with her.
 16 You shall not have intercourse with your brother's wife; she belongs to your brother.
 17 You shall not marry a woman and her daughter, nor shall you take her son's daughter or her daughter's daughter to have intercourse; they are [her] near kinswomen; it is wickedness and an outrageous offense.

18 You must not marry a woman in addition to her sister, to be a rival to her, having sexual relations with the second sister when the first one is alive.
 19 Also you shall not have intercourse with a woman during her [menstrual period or similar] uncleanness.”

▪ **Adultery / my neighbour's wife:**

Lev. 18:20 “20 Moreover, you shall not lie carnally with your neighbor's wife, to defile yourself with her.”



▪ **Bestiality / Zoophilia¹:**

Lev. 18:23-29 “23 Neither shall you lie with any beast and defile yourself with it; neither shall any woman yield herself to a beast to lie with it; it is **confusion, perversion, and degradedly carnal**.
 24 Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, for in all these things the nations are defiled which I am casting out before you.
 25 And the **land is defiled**; therefore I visit the iniquity of it upon it, and the **land itself vomits** out her inhabitants.
 26 So you shall keep My statutes and My ordinances and shall not commit any of these abominations, neither the native-born nor any stranger who sojourns among you,
 27 For all these abominations have the men of the land done who were before you, and the land is defiled—
 28 [Do none of these things] lest the land spew you out when you defile it as it spewed out the nation that was before you.
 29 Whoever commits any of these abominations shall be cut off from among [his] people.”



¹ The distinction between zoophilia and bestiality, according to the author, appears to involve emotional involvement; zoophilia referring to both emotional and physical involvement and bestiality referring to physical involvement only.

Lev. 20:15-16 *“15 And if a man lies **carnally with a beast**, he shall surely be **[stoned] to death**, and you shall slay the beast.
16 If a woman approaches any beast and lies carnally with it, you shall **[stone] the woman and the beast; they shall surely be put to death; their blood is upon them.**”*

This is despicable intimacy with beasts or animals. This unnatural act debases humanity into the animal kingdom and the spirit of the anti-Christ. In Revelations the anti-Christ is described as the beast.

Dogs are especially sensitive to smelling out those involved in sodomy.

Rev 22:15: *“For without are **dogs** and sorcerers, and **whoremongers** and murderers and idolaters and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.”*

Bestiality / Zoophilia² can bring many curses into families:

- related retardation,
- slowness and learning difficulties
- Downs Syndrome
- Insanity
- etc.

We need to break the curse and bind the spirit of bestiality / zoophilia.

Yeshua speaks, as He looks at the Holy City of Jerusalem, at the physical tabernacle and declares that it no longer represents purity, and says that not one stone will be left standing. In the same way, we as Living Stones **will not remain standing if we are impure.**

Mat. 24:1-2 *“1 JESUS DEPARTED from the temple area and was going on His way when His disciples came up to Him to call His attention to the buildings of the temple and point them out to Him.
2 But He answered them, Do you see all these? Truly I tell you, **there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.**”*

² See Addendum A on Zoophilia at the back of this book.

Generational Impact of Perverse Sexual Relationships:

God specifically determines that His people must not do as the Egyptians did:

Lev. 18:3a *“3 You shall not do as was done in the land of Egypt in which you dwelt, nor shall you do as is done in the land of Canaan to which I am bringing you...”*

He very specifically indicated that we should not bring this defilement into the land of Canaan:

Lev. 18:3b *“...neither shall you walk in their statutes.”*

God’s desire was that the land of Canaan, the place of Covenantal promise would become a Garden of Eden, a place of purity. Israel had been freed supernaturally, now they have to exercise freedom of choice, by keeping the Commandments (a mitzvah) of living a healthy, high-quality pure life.

When we exercise the freedom of choice to disobey God and become involved in one of these perversions, we need to realize that we are setting in motion a slippery path away from God.

It is easy to start some kind of **sinful habit / lifestyle**, but all too often we are drawn further and further into this lifestyle.

The habits of a drug addict is a very clear example, we start off with a cigarette, move to some light drug like marijuana (dagga / Weed) and soon find ourselves at the level of cocaine.



Every person in our family / friendship circle is impacted by the role model that we display. The younger generation and the children in the family will come to see this lifestyle as **the norm**. We will have created the **pathway** to a **generational sin**.

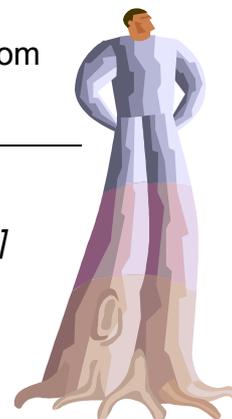
God warns that this generational pathway is extremely difficult to retract / reverse. In the Torah He declares that this family will be eradicated to stop the impact / rot in the broader community of Israel.

Ex. 20:5 *“5 You shall not bow down yourself to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me,”*

What Causes a person to Turn to Perversity in Relationships?

The man is called and anointed to be a royal priest, part of a holy nation. This calling is not about “religious” performance or legalism but rather to **reflect a lifestyle of love**, purity and good deeds towards his family and the broader community.

Yeshua tells us that we are to be rooted in Him, to draw sap from the True Vine, and if we do this we will produce good fruit.



John 15:1-8 *“I AM the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser.*

2 Any branch in Me that does not bear fruit [that stops bearing] He cuts away (trims off, takes away); and He cleanses and repeatedly prunes every branch that continues to bear fruit, to make it bear more and richer and more excellent fruit.

3 You are cleansed and pruned already, because of the word which I have given you [the teachings I have discussed with you].

4 Dwell in Me, and I will dwell in you. [Live in Me, and I will live in you.] Just as no branch can bear fruit of itself without abiding in (being vitally united to) the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you abide in Me.

5 I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.

6 If a person does not dwell in Me, he is thrown out like a [broken-off] branch, and withers; such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If you live in Me [abide vitally united to Me] and My words remain in you and continue to live in your hearts, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

8 When you bear (produce) much fruit, My Father is honored and glorified, and you show and prove yourselves to be true followers of Mine.”

All too often the world’s religious leaders have taken on the title of “father” but do not really know what this means in the practical. Yeshua tells us, only God can really be a Father.

Matt. 23:9 *“9 And do not call anyone [in the church] on earth father, for you have one Father, Who is in heaven.”*

Men who are not rooted in God’s “sap” will be rooted in the kingdom of darkness – we can’t serve two masters.

Men who are rooted in the Kingdom of God but who have not been delivered from **generational and personal bondages** and **healed from the hurts** it caused will continue to impact all close relationships with the effects / consequences of a deviant lifestyle, sowing confusion / doubt amongst all that know them.

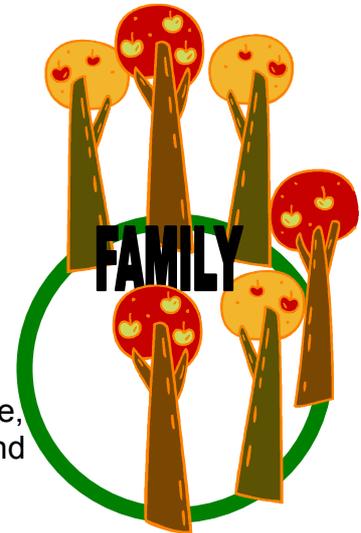
We saw earlier that man as “holy priest” has a purpose / job, namely **to build a hedge of protection around his family** – a work defined “in the beginning.” When the parents fail to build / plant / prune this hedge, they cause a part of the hedge to die which **creates a hole** through which anyone can come in. This happens so often that God cries out *“Is there anyone who can stand in the gap?!”*

What causes holes in the Hedge?

1. Lack of Parental Love:

Parents, especially the **father**, are God’s agents to reflect the attributes and intimacy of Heaven.

When this love is absent, whether **directly** in the sense that we are shown no affection, touch, etc or whether it is **indirect** in that the parent is missing due to work or divorce, we grow up with a **vacuum of unfulfilled needs** in love and emotions.



Children will look for this **love, affection, touch, intimacy** in anyone that shows it. This hole in the hedge allows anyone in the circle of influence who remotely shows interest, but who could have very perverse motives, which lead to ungodly relationships:

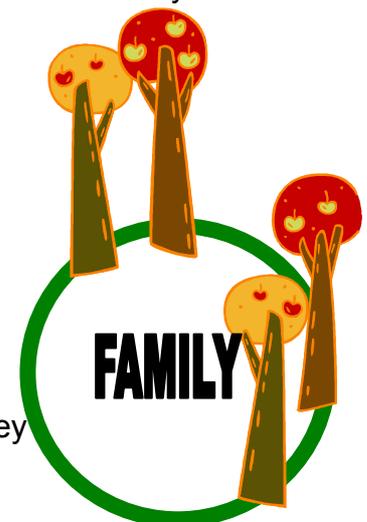
- older men – younger men
- older women – younger women
- old women – young man, etc.

Where a son has missed the fellowship, love, direction of a father, he will naturally turn to an older man to be fulfilled in this area which could easily lead to a homosexual relationship. The same is true in the case of a younger daughter with her father or mother.

2. Ungodly Expectations:

Parents who do not have a foundation in Yeshua will be busy with a Greco-Roman approach to life. They will be measuring themselves against the ‘Jones’.

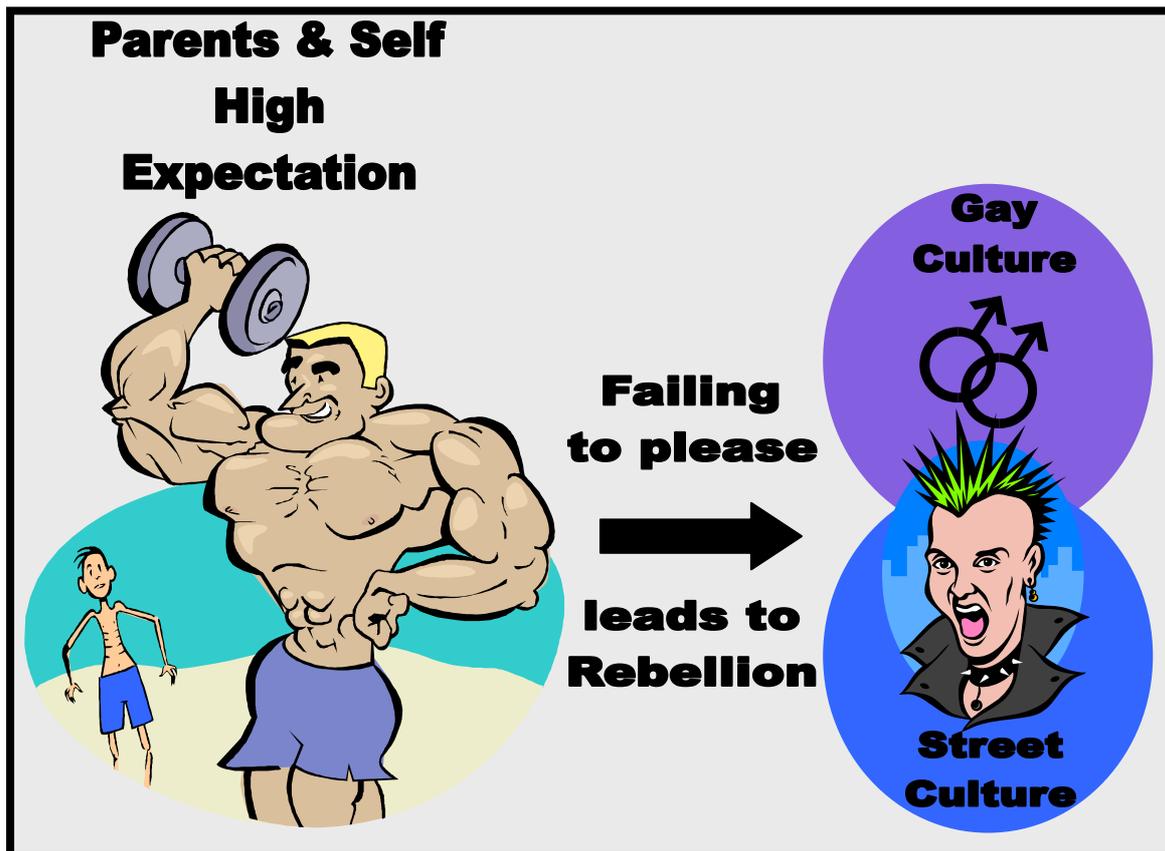
Not only do they drive themselves to greater heights for material passions and possessions in the community, but they set the same standards for their children.



Standards can often not be attained, not because the child does not want to, but because they have been given other gifts / talents by God.

This constant pressure to achieve, leads to **depression**, **anxiety** and **stress**. Children are then easy prey for a predator who will give them personal affirmation in exchange for “love”. This love comes mostly in one or other perverse form.

A desire to please will create a performance orientation, trying desperately to find acceptance. The child may finally conclude that he/she can never measure up. If the expectation is too high the child will feel a failure and then run to others for approval, and look for a substitute parent / comfort.



3. Violation of Child's Rights:

“All men are equal”; that is the proclamation of **Deut. 6:4**. This implies that even a child has “rights” – the right to security, protection, provision, etc.

Parents, in family lineages with generational bondage either commit sins of violation or leave the hole in the hedge open for other family members or friends to violate the child.

Violation of children in this family situation leads to a place where the child no longer has a will of their own and all too soon land up in the streets of prostitution and crime.



A young girl who has been **sexually abused and sodomised** can so reject **her sexuality** that she will hate and reject her monthly cycle and suffer untold agony. She can experience **skin problems** like acne, etc, **abnormal clotting** during her monthly cycle which can possibly lead to having a hysterectomy later in her life. Hence - death to her sexuality.

She can also suffer **malfunctioning of the breasts**, or production of lumps, etc., in the breast. Death has entered in with the curse of sodomy. Repentance of the **rebellion against her sexuality** MUST take place to close the door to **breast and uterine cancer** as well as lesbianism.

REACHING PUBERTY – this is the crucial time when the sex hormones are released. When there is:

- an absentee father,
- big upsets in the family at this time,
- or sexual abuse - especially sodomy -

a huge open door to **wrong sexual identification** can occur (homosexuality and lesbianism).

Also when **teasing words**, eg. tomboy, sissy, fag, etc, are spoken over a young teenager, it must be broken because they are wicked word curses.

Sodomy and Incest

After the three family members escaped out of Sodom, Lot's daughters committed **incest** with their father and both carried his child.

Sodomy, then **rape**, then **incest**. The cycle was not broken. The filth, uncleanness and the perversion continued.

The King of Sodom had not been broken. What a tragic story for one of God's own family.

ONLY THE BLOOD OF JESUS BREAKS THE POWER OF DEATH! LOVE IS STRONGER THAN DEATH!!

The Victim of Sodomy

A person who has been sexually abused will have his/her **sensitive conscience violated and defiled**.

1 Corinthians 8:7 “... <i>their conscience, being weak, is defiled.</i> ”
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A victim of sodomy will be left with a **guilty conscience**. Because of **immaturity** or threats to **keep quiet**, the guilt is forced into the sub/unconscious. When the guilt has not been released it can lead to **obsessions, you may lose contact with reality, or you may suffer from mental and emotional illnesses until the guilt is cleansed**.

When a person is traumatised by sodomy, the guilt will produce **FEAR, ANXIETY, PANIC ATTACKS, DEPRESSION, ANGER and RAGE.**



All our responses to life will come from our sub/unconscious minds, and we can be reacting in ways that we don't understand.

Sub/ unconscious guilt is very hard to define and deal with. It can take a person into a lifetime of bondage unless the healing power of Jesus sets you free!

The Holy Spirit has to re-awaken the conscience so that the guilt can be dealt with. Pray and ask the Lord to begin to **uncover the guilt** even during the night hours and through dreams.

Isaiah 58:8 *“8 Then shall your light break forth like the morning, and your healing (your restoration and the power of a new life) shall spring forth speedily; your righteousness (your rightness, your justice, and your right relationship with God) shall go before you [conducting you to peace and prosperity], and the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.”*

When the pain and guilt of perversion is cleansed by the Blood of Yeshua, a powerful release will be found.

Hebrews 9:14 *“14 How much more surely shall the blood of Christ, Who by virtue of [His] eternal Spirit [His own preexistent divine personality] has offered Himself as an unblemished sacrifice to God, **purify our consciences from dead works and lifeless observances to serve the [ever] living God?**”*

What is the effect on a person who has been abused / subject to perversity?

The Torah / Word is clear. People who are subject to abuse / perversion become **weak in character**, i.e. the will becomes passive (souldies). People, who have been abused, will in most cases become abusers. Statistics given say that every such person will abuse 40 other in their lifetime.

We can see that perversity creates an ever-increasing circle of effect – not only on their own generational line but also in regards to the other families that are drawn into it.

1. Abused people have a **weak spirit**:

1 Cor. 8:7 “7 Nevertheless, not all [believers] possess this knowledge. But some, through being all their lives until now accustomed to [thinking of] idols [as real and living], still consider the food [offered to an idol] as that sacrificed to an [actual] god; **and their weak consciences** become defiled and injured if they eat [it].”

2. Abused people **will be open to deceiving spirits** and doctrines of demons. The world press will tell us that this perverse lifestyle is “normal” and acceptable. As a result these people easily depart from faith in God.

1 Tim. 4:1-2 “1 **BUT THE [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith**, giving attention to deluding and seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach, 2 Through the hypocrisy and pretensions of liars **whose consciences are seared (cauterized),**”

1 Tim. 1:19 “19 Holding fast to faith (that leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence) and **having a good (clear) conscience. By rejecting and thrusting from them [their conscience], some individuals have made shipwreck of their faith.**”

Reversal of God’s Tabernacle:

I indicated earlier that God has built a tabernacle on a foundation of the apostles and prophets which will support “man” as a holy priest. The pillars that support the roof are:

- Legacy,
- One God,
- Obedience to Commandments.

I showed that the Israelites opened themselves up to alternative belief systems and changed the pillars of their tabernacle:



What is Sodomy?

What you need to understand is that a **man OR woman OR child** can be **sodomized – through anal penetration.**

Many women get raped anally as well as vaginally. The curse of sodomy now affects her life and her bloodline. **The kundalini spirit³** is also awakened when a person has been sodomized.

The Roots of Perversity:

We will study the roots of perversity and the changed nature of man as he progresses **down this path of destruction.**

1. Lack of Legacy – Wilderness inheritance:

I have already indicated that a father should **be lifting the arms of his children up** so that they can achieve their divine purpose / destiny.

If this legacy of wisdom, support and caring is not there, the children do not have a foundation of Torah to stand on and easily follow the world system.

1 John 2:16 “16 For all that is in the world—the **lust of the flesh** [craving for sensual gratification] and the **lust of the eyes** [greedy longings of the mind] and the **pride of life** [assurance in one’s own resources or in the stability of earthly things]—these do not come from the Father but are from the world [itself].”

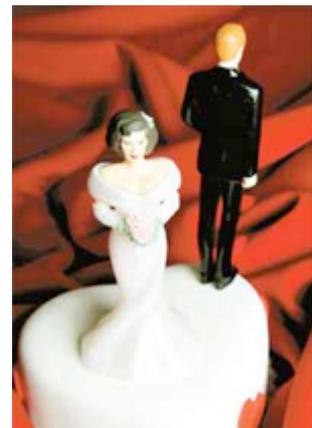
a) Lust of the flesh:

The benchmark of someone who lusts after the flesh is an attraction to:

- **Adultery** – committing to the destruction of God’s earthly family tabernacle.

Matt. 15:19 “19 For out of the heart come evil thoughts (reasonings and disputings and designs) such as murder, adultery, sexual vice, theft, false witnessing, slander, and irreverent speech.”

Gal. 5:19 “19 Now the doings (practices) of the flesh are clear (obvious): they are immorality, impurity, indecency”



³ Please see “The Tree of Knowledge and the Serpent – Kundalini” available from Kanaan Ministries.

Job 31:1 “1 I DICTATED a covenant (an agreement) to my eyes; how then could I look [lustfully] upon a girl?”

- **Fornication** which is an extension of sexual relation to the same sex partners.

Eze. 16:26 “26 You have also committed **fornication** with the Egyptians your neighbours, great of flesh; and have increased your whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.”

Strong's Hebrew: 2181 זָנָה **zanah** (275c); a prim. root; to commit fornication, be a harlot:— adulterous(1), become a harlot(1), commit adultery(1), commits flagrant harlotry(1), fall to harlotry(1), harlot(22), harlot continually(1), harlot's(2), harlot's*(2), harlot*(3), harlotry(3), harlots(5), making her a harlot(1), play the harlot(18), play the harlot continually(1), played the harlot(24), playing the harlot(3), plays the harlot(1), prostitute(1), unfaithful(1).

- **Divorce**

Malachi 2:16 “16 For the Lord, the God of Israel, says: **I hate divorce and marital separation** and him who covers his garment [his wife] with violence. Therefore keep a watch upon your spirit [that it may be controlled by My Spirit], that you deal not treacherously and faithlessly [with your marriage mate].”

Matt. 5:32 “32 But I tell you, Whoever dismisses and repudiates and divorces his wife, except on the **grounds of unfaithfulness** (sexual immorality), causes her to commit adultery, and whoever marries a woman who has been divorced commits adultery.”

- **Defilement**

The Greek words for defile are:

koinoo (Strong's 2840) which means “to make common or unclean”
or

miaino (Strong's 3392) which means “to stain or dye with another colour to be smeared with mud or filth, to befoul”.

In any kind of intimacy, whether Godly or ungodly, the intimacy not only brings a union of the body, but there is also very much an emotional, soul bonding and a spiritual bonding that takes place.

Where there is perversion in a relationship, there will be defilement, and there needs to be a **spiritual separation** that takes place, and a breaking of the **spiritual imprinting**.

- **Uncleanness** which is the opposite of purity, and includes **bestiality / zoophilia**.



Rom. 1:21-32 “21 Because when they knew and recognized Him as God, they did not honor and glorify Him as God or give Him thanks. But instead they became **futile and godless** in their thinking [with vain imaginings, foolish reasoning, and stupid speculations] and their senseless minds were darkened.
 22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools [professing to be smart, they made simpletons of themselves].
 23 And by them the glory and majesty and excellence of the immortal God were exchanged for and represented by images, resembling mortal man and birds and beasts and reptiles.
 24 Therefore **God gave them up in the lusts of their [own] hearts to sexual impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves** [abandoning them to the degrading power of sin],
 25 Because they exchanged the truth of God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, Who is blessed forever! Amen (so be it).
 26 For this reason **God gave them over** and abandoned them to **vile affections and degrading passions**. For their women exchanged their natural function for an unnatural and abnormal one,
 27 And the men also turned from natural relations with women and were **set ablaze** (burning out, consumed) **with lust for one another**—men committing shameful acts with men and suffering in their own bodies and personalities the inevitable consequences and penalty of their wrongdoing and going astray, which was [their] fitting retribution.
 28 And so, since they did not see fit to acknowledge God or approve of Him or consider Him worth the knowing, **God gave them over** to a base and condemned mind to do things not proper or decent but loathsome,
 29 Until they were **filled** (permeated and saturated) with every kind of **unrighteousness, iniquity, grasping and covetous greed, and malice**. [They were] full of **envy and jealousy, murder, strife, deceit and treachery, ill will and cruel ways**. [They were] secret **backbiters and gossipers**,
 30 **Slanderers, hateful to and hating God, full of insolence, arrogance, [and] boasting; inventors of new forms of evil, disobedient and undutiful to parents**.
 31 [They were] **without understanding, conscienceless and faithless, heartless and loveless [and] merciless**.
 32 Though they are fully aware of God’s righteous decree that those who do such things deserve to die, they not only do them themselves but approve and applaud others who practice them.”

1 Thess. 2:3 “3 For our appeal [in preaching] does not [originate] from delusion or error or impure purpose or motive, nor in fraud or deceit.”

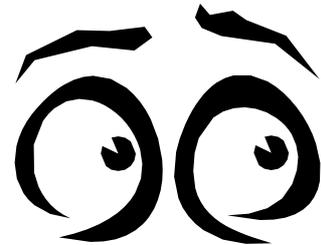
- **Lasciviousness** which is all forms of lewdness, unchastity and wantonness that leads to lusts of love.

2 Pet. 2:18 “18 For uttering loud boasts of folly, they beguile and lure with **lustful desires of the flesh** those who are barely escaping from them who are wrongdoers.”

Rom. 13:13 “13 Let us live and conduct ourselves honorably and becomingly as in the [open light of] day, not in reveling (carousing) and drunkenness, not in **immorality and debauchery** (sensuality and licentiousness), not in quarreling and jealousy.”

b) Lust of the eyes

Due to the fact that no Biblical foundation has been laid, man’s heart follows the desires seen by his eyes.



▪ Covetousness

Ps. 10:8 “8 He sits in ambush in the villages; in hiding places he slays the innocent; he **watches stealthily** for the poor (the helpless and unfortunate).”

Luke 12:15 “15 And He said to them, Guard yourselves and keep free from all **covetousness** (the immoderate desire for wealth, the greedy longing to have more); for a man’s life does not consist in and is not derived from possessing overflowing abundance or that which is over and above his needs.”

Eccl. 2:10 “10 And whatever **my eyes desired** I kept not from them; I withheld not my heart from any pleasure, for my heart rejoiced in all my labor, and this was my portion and reward for all my toil.”

▪ All kinds of evil

Matt. 6:23 “23 But **if your eye is unsound**, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the very light in you [your conscience] is darkened, how dense is that darkness!”

Matt. 7:22-23 “22 Many will say to Me on that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name and driven out demons in Your name and done many mighty works in Your name?
23 And then I will say to them openly (publicly), I never knew you; depart from Me, **you who act wickedly [disregarding My commands].**”

c) The Pride of Life

Man’s focus is based on the Greco-Roman value system of self: “As long as I am happy – that’s all that counts!”



- **Power**

Lev. 26:19 “19 And I will break and humble **your pride in your power**, and I will make your heavens as iron [yielding no answer, no blessing, no rain] and your earth [as sterile] as brass.”

- **Beauty**

Ezek. 28:12 “12 Son of man, **take up a lamentation** over the king of Tyre and say to him, Thus says the Lord God: You are the full measure and **pattern of exactness** [giving the finishing touch to all that constitutes completeness], **full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.**”

- **Position**

Ezek. 28:11-17 “11 Moreover, the word of the Lord came to me, saying, 12 Son of man, take up a lamentation over the king of Tyre and say to him, Thus says the Lord God: You are the full measure and pattern of exactness [giving the finishing touch to all that constitutes completeness], full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.

13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone was your covering, the carnelian, topaz, jasper, chrysolite, beryl, onyx, sapphire, carbuncle, and emerald; and your settings and your sockets and engravings were wrought in gold. On the day that you were created they were prepared.

14 You **were the anointed cherub** that covers with overshadowing [wings], and I set you so. You were upon the holy mountain of God; you walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire [like the paved work of gleaming sapphire stone upon which the God of Israel walked on Mount Sinai].

15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created until iniquity and guilt were found in you.

16 Through the abundance of your commerce you were filled with lawlessness and violence, and you sinned; therefore I cast you out as a profane thing from the mountain of God and the guardian cherub drove you out from the midst of the stones of fire.

17 Your **heart was proud and lifted up because of your beauty**; you **corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor**. I cast you to the ground; I lay you before kings, that they might gaze at you.”

1 Tim. 3:6 “6 He must not be a new convert, or he may [develop a beclouded and stupid state of mind] **as the result of pride** [be blinded by conceit, and] fall into the condemnation that the devil [once] did.”

- **Pleasure**

Ps. 36:2 “2 For he **flatters and deceives** himself in his own eyes that his iniquity will not be found out and be hated.”

Is. 3:16 “16 Moreover, the Lord said, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty and walk with **outstretched necks and with undisciplined (flirtatious and alluring) eyes**, tripping along with mincing and affected gait, and making a tinkling noise with [the anklets on] their feet,”

2. Idolatry

Once the eye, the mind and the emotions have contemplated the sin of self, they easily are converted to idolatry.

Judg. 1:32 “32 But the Asherites dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land, for they did not drive them out.”

I indicated that idolatry can take many forms, from the worship of stars to the worship of work / sport. Idolatry is **anything on which man’s affections is passionately set.**



Eph. 5:5 “5 For be sure of this: that no person practicing **sexual vice or impurity in thought or in life**, or one who is **covetous** [who has lustful desire for the property of others and is greedy for gain]—for he [in effect] is an **idolater**—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.”

Col. 3:5 “5 So kill (deaden, deprive of power) the evil desire lurking in your members [those animal impulses and all that is earthly in you that is employed in sin]: **sexual vice, impurity, sensual appetites, unholy desires, and all greed and covetousness, for that is idolatry** (the deifying of self and other created things instead of God).”

This choice of worship leads one **directly** to witchcraft and the practise of spells, charms, addictions to the sensuous lifestyle.

The Torah shows us the direct relationship:

Idolatry = Asherah = Sodomy / Perversion

An asherah pillar or image made of wood was set up to be worshipped as an image of Baal / Asherah. The word Asherah comes from the root word “ashar” and means to be a false imitation of:

- straight up
- erect
- upright

A living tree is topped and the trunk is fashioned into the shape of a male phallus / totem pole. In some cases a stone image was also made.



This tree idol is worshipped as **the tree of life** – i.e. the goodness and the purity of God is perverted to be a picture of the male organ of procreation.

1 Kings 15:12 “12 He **put away the sodomites** (male cult prostitutes) out of the land **and removed all the idols that his fathers** [Solomon, Rehoboam, and Abijam] had made or promoted.”

1 Kings 22:46 “46 And the **remnant of the sodomites** (the male cult prostitutes) who remained in the days of his father Asa, [Jehoshaphat] **expelled from the country.**”

2 Kings 23:7 “7 And he broke down the houses of the **male cult prostitutes**, which were by the house of the Lord, where the women wove [tent] hangings for the **Asherah** [shrines].”

Ezek. 16:17 “17 You did also take your fair jewels and beautiful vessels of My gold and My silver which I had given you and made for yourself images of men, and you **played the harlot** with them;”

This symbol therefore represents all forms of perversion, impurity with devotees taking part in demonic orgies in libidinous (having or expressing strong sexual desires) rites.

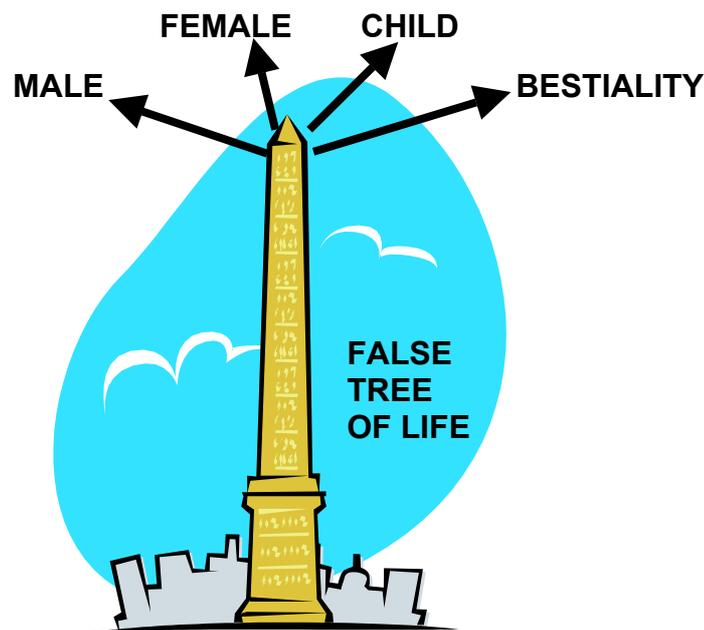
Jer. 5:7-8 “7 Why should I and how can I pass over this and forgive you for it? Your children have forsaken Me and **sworn by those that are no gods**. When I had fed them to the full and bound them to Me by oath, they committed [spiritual] adultery, assembling themselves in troops at the houses of [idol] harlots.
8 They were like fed stallions roaming at large; each one neighed after his neighbor’s wife.”

Hos. 4:12-14 “12 My people [habitually] ask counsel of their [senseless] wood [idols], and their staff [of wood] gives them oracles and instructs them. For the spirit of harlotry has led them astray and they have played the harlot, withdrawing themselves from subjection to their God.
13 They sacrifice on the tops of the mountains, and they burn incense upon the hills and under oaks, poplars, and terebinths, because there the shade is good. Therefore your daughters **play the harlot and your sons’ wives commit adultery.**
14 I will not punish your daughters when they play the harlot nor your daughters-in-law when they commit adultery, for [the fathers and husbands] themselves go aside in order to be alone with women who prostitute themselves for gain, and they sacrifice at the altar with dedicated harlots [who surrender their chastity in honor of the goddess]. Therefore the people without understanding shall stumble and fall and come to ruin.”

Amos 2:7-9 “7 They pant after [the sight of] the poor [reduced to such misery that they will be throwing] dust of the earth on their heads [in token of their grief]; they defraud and turn aside the humble [who are too meek to defend themselves]; and a man and his father will have sexual relations with the same maiden, so that My holy name is profaned.

8 And they lay themselves down beside every [pagan] altar upon clothes they have taken in pledge [for indebtedness], and in the house of their God [in daring contempt of Him] they frivolously drink the wine which has been exacted from those [unjustly] fined.

9 Yet I destroyed the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above and his roots from beneath.”



Deut. 23:17 “17 There shall be no cult prostitute among the daughters of Israel, neither shall there be a cult prostitute (a sodomite) among the sons of Israel.”

The **Hebrew** word for a **Sodomite** is **qadesh** which means:

- a sacred person,
- a male devotee of temple prostitution,
- idolatry and
- uncleanness.

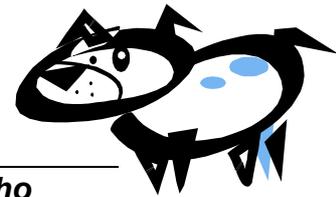
There is a strong religious foundation in sodomy.

Sodomy literally means "to burn with lust, involving perversion and prostitution".

Strong's: 6945 **קִדְשׁ** **qadesh** (873c); from the same as 6944; *a temple prostitute*:— cult prostitute(2), cult prostitutes(2), male cult prostitutes(2), sodomites(1), temple prostitute(3), temple prostitutes(1).

Strong's: 733a ἀρσενοκοίτης **arsenokoitēs**; from 733b and 2845; a **sodomite**:— homosexuals(2).

The word for perversity / sodomy is “dog” – note those who are “dogs” stay out of the Kingdom of God:



Rev. 22:15 “15 [But] without are the dogs and those who practice sorceries (magic arts) and impurity [the lewd, adulterers] and the murderers and idolaters and everyone who loves and deals in falsehood (untruth, error, deception, cheating).”

Men who become idol worshippers and followers of Asherah have no self-control – their world is only about their **own** needs / wants / desire. We see that these followers will mutilate the wife of a Levite for their own personal perverted satisfaction.

Judg. 19:22-28 “22 Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, **certain worthless fellows**, beset the house round about, beat on the door, and said to the master of the house, the old man, **Bring forth the man** who came to your house, that **we may have intercourse** with him
23 And the man, the master of the house, went out and said to them, No, my kinsmen, I pray you, do not act so wickedly; seeing that this man is my guest, do not do this [wicked] folly.
24 Behold, here are my virgin daughter and this man’s concubine; them I will bring out now; debase them and do with them what seems good to you, but to this man do not so vile a thing.
25 But the men would not listen to him. So the man **took his concubine** and **forced her forth to them**, and they had **intercourse with her and abused her all the night until morning**. And when the dawn began to break, they let her go.
26 At daybreak the woman came and fell down and lay at the door of the man’s house where her master was, till it was light.
27 And her master rose up in the morning and opened the doors of the house and went out to go his way; and behold, his concubine had fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were upon the threshold.
28 And he said to her, Up, and let us be going. But there was no answer [**for she was dead**]. Then he put her [body] upon the donkey, and the man rose up and went home.”

The association namely idol worship and perversity is shown again for us in the New Testament.

God declares that idol worshippers can't be part of His Sanctuary, and calls us to "come out":

2 Cor. 6:16-17 "16 **What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God; even as God said, I will dwell in and with and among them and will walk in and with and among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.**
17 **So, come out from among [unbelievers], and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor,"**

Truth: You will never be delivered from perversion if you do not renounce idol worship in your heart!

3. Amalek

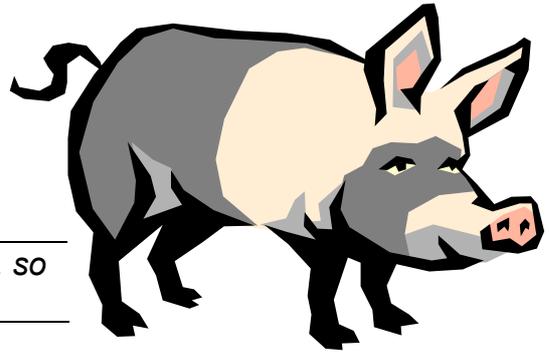
The spirit of Amalek is so subtle, while it wants to destroy and kill, it will present itself as good / pure.

The Bible tells us that there are false teachers – "amaleks", who use vain words, and deceitful presentation to **entangle** and weave into a web of bondage those believers who are not strong in the Torah / Word. These teachers pull others into bondage as they pray / lay hands on this believer:

2 Pet. 2:18-22 "18 **For uttering loud boasts of folly, they beguile and lure with lustful desires of the flesh those who are barely escaping from them who are wrongdoers.**
19 **They promise them liberty, when they themselves are the slaves of depravity and defilement—for by whatever anyone is made inferior or worse or is overcome, to that [person or thing] he is enslaved.**
20 **For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through [the full, personal] knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they again become entangled in them and are overcome, their last condition is worse [for them] than the first.**
21 **For never to have obtained a [full, personal] knowledge of the way of righteousness would have been better for them than, having obtained [such knowledge], to turn back from the holy commandment which was [verbally] delivered to them.**
22 **There has befallen them the thing spoken of in the true proverb, The dog turns back to his own vomit, and, The sow is washed only to wallow again in the mire."**

Rom. 1:27 "27 **And the men also turned from natural relations with women and were set ablaze (burning out, consumed) with lust for one another—men committing shameful acts with men and suffering in their own bodies and personalities the inevitable consequences and penalty of their wrong-doing and going astray, which was [their] fitting retribution."**

We see that those who repent of these sins and fall back into sin will be worse off than before – you will be a dog / pig.



Prov. 26:11 “11 As a dog returns to his vomit, so a fool returns to his folly.”

Characteristics of a perverted man:

We are told to discern the **level of purity in the tabernacle** – to discern those who are perverted / impure so that we can ensure that the hedge of protection around our own Garden of Eden / family is secure. So what must we look out for?

Men who:

- despise / insult the Government:

Jude 8:8 “1 Nevertheless in like manner, these dreamers also corrupt the body, **scorn and reject authority and government**, and revile and libel and scoff at [heavenly] glories (the glorious ones).”

- corrupt themselves:

Jude 10 “10 But these men revile (scoff and sneer at) anything they do not happen to be acquainted with and do not understand; and whatever they do understand physically [that which they know by mere instinct], like irrational beasts—by these they corrupt themselves and are destroyed (perish).”

- serve in religion for **gain**:

Jude 8:11 “11 Woe to them! For they have run riotously in the way of Cain, and have **abandoned themselves for the sake of gain** [it offers them, following] the error of Balaam, and have perished in rebellion [like that] of Korah! [Gen. 4:3-8; Num. 16; 22-24.]”

2 Pet. 2:15 “15 Forsaking the straight road they have gone astray; they have followed the way of Balaam [the son] of Beor, who loved the reward of wickedness.”

- are **rebellious**:

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12 These are hidden reefs (elements of danger) in your love feasts, where they boldly feast sumptuously [carousing together in your midst], without scruples providing for themselves [alone]. They **are clouds without water**, swept along by the winds; trees, without fruit at the late autumn gathering time—twice (doubly) dead, [lifeless and] plucked up by the roots;”



- are in ungodly **lust**:

Jude 4, 16, 18-19 “4 For certain men have crept in stealthily [gaining entrance secretly by a side door]. Their doom was predicted long ago, ungodly (impious, profane) persons who **pervert the grace** (the spiritual blessing and favor) of our God into **lawlessness** and **wantonness** and immorality, and disown and deny our sole Master and Lord, Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

16 These are inveterate murmurers (grumblers) who complain [of their lot in life], going after their own desires [controlled by their passions]; their talk is boastful and arrogant, [and they claim to] admire men’s persons and pay people flattering compliments to gain advantage.

18 They told you beforehand, In the last days (in the end time) there will be scoffers [who seek to gratify their own unholy desires], **following after their own ungodly passions**.

19 It is these who are [agitators] setting up distinctions and causing divisions—merely sensual [creatures, carnal, worldly-minded people], devoid of the [Holy] Spirit and destitute of any higher spiritual life.”

- are **proud**:

Jude 16, 18 “16 These are inveterate murmurers (grumblers) who complain [of their lot in life], going after their own desires [controlled by their passions]; their talk is **boastful** and **arrogant**, [and they claim to] admire men’s persons and pay people flattering compliments to gain advantage.

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- **blaspheme God:**

Jude 15 *“15 To execute judgment upon all and to convict all the impious (unholy ones) of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed [in such an] ungodly [way], and of all the severe (abusive, jarring) things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.”*

- **dishonour their own body:**

2 Pet. 2:10 *“10 And particularly those who walk after the flesh and indulge in the lust of polluting passion and scorn and despise authority. Presumptuous [and] daring [self-willed and self-loving creatures]! They scoff at and revile dignitaries (glorious ones) without trembling,”*

Rom. 1:24 *“24 Therefore God gave them up in the **lusts of their [own] hearts to sexual impurity**, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves [abandoning them to the degrading power of sin],”*

God Judges Perversity:

God’s standpoint on the consequence of people who chose to disobey His commandments and live in the world in all manner of perversity is severe:

- They **will not inherit** the Kingdom of God:

Rom. 1:29 *“29 Until they were filled (permeated and saturated) with every kind of unrighteousness, iniquity, grasping and covetous greed, and malice. [They were] full of envy and jealousy, murder, strife, deceit and treachery, ill will and cruel ways. [They were] secret backbiters and gossipers,”*

Gal. 5:19 *“19 Now the doings (practices) of the flesh are clear (obvious): they are immorality, impurity, indecency,”*

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1 Cor. 6:9 *“9 Do you **not know that the unrighteous and the wrongdoers will not inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God?** Do not be deceived (misled): neither the impure and immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor those who participate in homosexuality,”*

Deut. 29:23 “23 The whole land is brimstone and salt and a burned waste, not sown or bearing anything, where no grass can take root, like the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah with Admah and Zeboiim, which the Lord overthrew in His anger and wrath—“

Hos. 11:8 “8 How can I give you up, O Ephraim! How can I surrender you and cast you off, O Israel! How can I make you as Admah or how can I treat you as Zeboiim [both destroyed with Sodom]! My heart recoils within Me; My compassions are kindled together.”

2 Pet. 2:6 “6 And He condemned to ruin and extinction the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, reducing them to ashes [and thus] set them forth as an example to those who would be ungodly;”

- They will suffer **insanity**:

Rom. 1:27 “27 And the men also turned from natural relations with women and were set ablaze (burning out, consumed) with lust for one another—men committing shameful acts with men and suffering in their own bodies and personalities the inevitable consequences and penalty of their wrong-doing and going astray, which was [their] fitting **retribution/recompense**.”



Recompense - apolambano (Greek) - receiving back in full.

There is an ungodly reward (or punishment) to be received in full with sodomy.

Isaiah 3:9 “9 Their respecting of persons and showing of partiality witnesses against them; they proclaim their sin like Sodom; they do not hide it. Woe to them! For they have brought evil [as a reward upon themselves].”

The reward is not only insanity, but the whole countenance, appearance, and apparel will begin to reflect upon a person, and down the family line. **The mannerisms, speech and dress will all be affected**, either moderately or severely. Shame will be on the countenance ... and so will death.



1 Corinthians 6:9 “9 Do you not know that the unrighteous and the wrongdoers will not inherit or have any share in the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived (misled): neither the **impure** and **immoral**, nor **idolaters**, nor **adulterers**, nor those who participate in **homosexuality**,”

1 Cor 6:9 (KJV) “ Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate**, nor **abusers of themselves** with mankind...”.

Effeminate - soft and feminine.

Abusers of themselves - guilty of unnatural offences.

Masturbation and **other very unclean habits** are strongholds in many lives. There seems to be no release. It may be essential to break sodomy before a breakthrough is found.

Rom. 1:28 “28 And so, since they did not see fit to acknowledge God or approve of Him or consider Him worth the knowing, **God gave them over to a base and condemned mind** to do things not proper or decent but loathsome,”

Reprobate - adokimos (Gk) - a mind which God cannot approve, which must be rejected by Him.

A reprobate mind is:

- a very tormented mind,
- a degenerate mind,
- a depraved mind,
- a mind that will not be able to receive the ingrafted Word of Truth and Faith.

If there is sodomy in our bloodline that has not been repented of and broken, the resulting fruit could be **insanity** and **torment** which keeps our minds bound.



The helmet of salvation will be your salvation.

- They will be **slaves**:

Rom. 6:16-32 “16 Do you not know that if you continually surrender yourselves to anyone to do his will, **you are the slaves of him whom you obey**, whether that be to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience which leads to righteousness (right doing and right standing with God)? 17 But thank God, though you were once slaves of sin, you have become obedient with all your heart to the standard of teaching in which you were instructed and to which you were committed.

18 And having been set free from sin, you have become the servants of righteousness (of conformity to the divine will in thought, purpose, and action).



19 I am speaking in familiar human terms because of your natural limitations. For as you yielded your bodily members [and faculties] as servants to impurity and ever increasing lawlessness, so now yield your bodily members [and faculties] once for all as servants to righteousness (right being and doing) [which leads] to sanctification.

20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

21 But then what benefit (return) did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? [None] for the end of those things is death.

22 But now since you have been set free from sin and have become the slaves of God, you have your present reward in holiness and its end is eternal life.

23 For the wages which sin pays is death, but the [bountiful] free gift of God is eternal life through (in union with) Jesus Christ our Lord.”

The Greek word for **slave** is **soma (Strong's 4983)**, which is an intimidation of the unrighteous control over the bodily activities of "slaves".

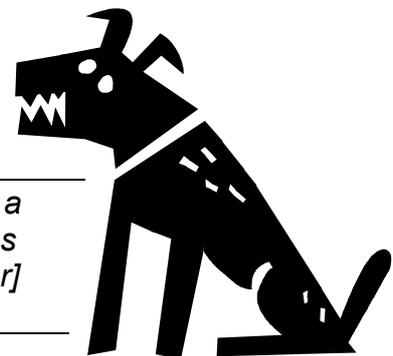
Sodomy is one of the **greatest chains of slavery** and "ownership" of another's body.

Romans 6:16, 20 “16 Do you not know that if you continually surrender yourselves to anyone to do his will, you are the **slaves of him whom you obey**, whether that be to sin, which **leads to death**, or to obedience which leads to righteousness (right doing and right standing with God)?
20 For when you were **slaves of sin**, you were free in regard to righteousness.”

Romans 7:23 “23 But I discern in my bodily members [in the sensitive appetites and wills of the flesh] a different law (rule of action) at war against the law of my mind (my reason) and making me a prisoner to the **law of sin** that dwells in my bodily organs [in the sensitive appetites and wills of the flesh].”

A person bound by perversion is a slave or a bondsman of Satan. We have seen that a Sodomite is referred to as a dog in **Deut. 23:18**:

“18 You shall not bring the hire of a harlot or the price of a **dog (a sodomite)** into the house of the Lord your God as payment of a vow, for both of these [the gift and the giver] are an abomination to the Lord your God.”



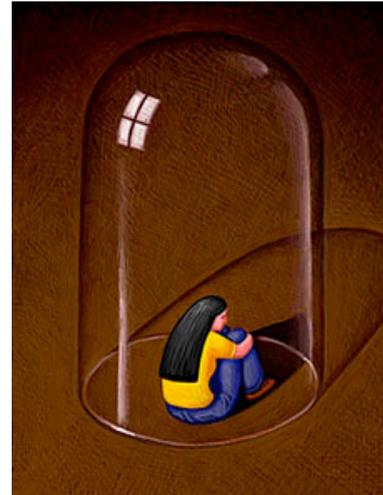
Prostitution and **sodomy** take the victims as slaves and cause them to be treated as **animals**. A prostitute can actually wear a **dog-collar**, use a **whip** and **handcuffs** and become a total slave.

If we are going to break the spirit of sodomy then slavery must be broken - **slavery to the filth and perversion**.

- **Isolation**

When a person has been **defiled by sodomy** or a **spirit of prostitution and harlotry**, and is left with guilt and a defiled conscience and a suppression of the conscience, the next step is for them to withdraw into **isolation**, cutting off from relationships, into alienation and separation. Such a person feels that no-one wants them. They have no peace, and communication ceases.

Isolation of the human soul is the deepest pain that a person can experience. The alienation is a pain unto death.



Leviticus 18:22-23, 29 “22 *You shall not lie with a man as with a woman; it is an abomination.*

23 *Neither shall you lie with any beast and defile yourself with it; neither shall any woman yield herself to a beast to lie with it; it is confusion, perversion, and degradedly carnal.*

29 *Whoever commits any of these abominations shall be cut off from among [his] people.”*

Sodomy and **bestiality** come with a **curse of isolation**, exile and being cut off, even within a marriage, and great loneliness and pain will come into a marriage.

The effects of the counterfeit relationship bring the pain of a Job experience...

- They will be **murderous**:

Ps. 106:38-39 “38 *And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan; and the land was polluted with their blood.*

39 *Thus were they defiled by their own works, and they played the harlot and practiced idolatry with their own deeds [of idolatrous rites].”*

Deut. 19:10 “10 *Lest innocent blood be shed in your land, which the Lord your God gives you as an inheritance, and so blood guilt be upon you.”*

Jer. 22:17 “17 *But your eyes and your heart are only for your covetousness and dishonest gain, for shedding innocent blood, for oppression and doing violence.”*

A reprobate mind is capable of murder because it has no restraints. There is a **spirit of murder that comes with sodomy**.

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39 Thus were they defiled by their own works, and they played the harlot and practiced idolatry with their own deeds [of idolatrous rites].”

The spirit of murder can come down the family line with **insane rage and murder**.

When rape destroys a person's virginity, the **rapist** has **murdered** and shed blood.

Deuteronomy 19:10 “10 Lest **innocent blood** be shed in your land, which the Lord your God gives you as an inheritance, and so blood guilt be upon you.”

A person can come into a **marriage** with rape or sodomy in the bloodline– it can be that this person then expresses a need for **anal sex**.

Sodomy in the family line will bring **perversion** and burning lusts that will produce the fruit of **murder**.

Jeremiah 22:17 “17 But your eyes and your heart are only for your **covetousness and dishonest gain, for shedding innocent blood, for oppression and doing violence.**”

Sodomy murders its victim emotionally, psychologically and spiritually. It also murders self-esteem, future and destiny.

A person who has been defiled by a spirit of sodomy can receive of the **spirit of murder**. The victim must be set free from this spirit.

With the spirit of murder can also come a spirit of **violence**. With **loss of emotional control** from sodomy, a person can demolish and destroy a home with violence.

The victim can also turn the spirit of murder and the spirit of violence **inwards** on themselves – **self mutilations and suicide**.

[Also see **Belial** – A Ruling Spirit of Wickedness available from Kanaan Ministries. **Belial and the sons of Belial are the spirits involved in rape and sodomy.**]



Sodomy and Abortion:

Sodomy in a family line, or sodomy with sexual abuse, can cause a pregnant woman to release the **spirit of murder** that she has been imprinted with in murderous, abortive thoughts against her unborn child, or to actually abort the child.

The unconscious guilt can cause resistance to pregnancy also. **A spirit of sodomy with murder can birth a hatred of pregnancy and even a repulsion of pregnancy in a family line.**

A woman pregnant because of **rape** will surely struggle with a **spirit of violence and murder.**

Shame over the pregnancy can also come down a family line with sodomy. Sodomy is a strong ruling spirit with abortion.

[It has been suggested that some women who are continually vomiting during pregnancy may sub/unconsciously want to be rid of the baby.]

Bind and rebuke a family spirit of sodomy off the pregnancies of your families, in Jesus' Name.

Our Relationship with Father God:

We can transfer our emotions onto another situation. **Transferring the anger and distrust** birthed through sexual abuse can be transferred over to Father God, with an anger of not being protected by Him.

The **loss of trust and the loss of intimacy** will affect our intimacy, our worship, our prayer life, our hearing the voice of the Father. One meaning of worship is "to kiss".

Sodomy will affect our intimacy with God. This is very devastating to many people who have been abused and who desperately desire a close walk with Father.

If the natural father did not protect, and, worse, if he became the perpetrator, there will most definitely be a **projection/transference of anger to the Heavenly Father.**

- **They will be sick and suffer (Rom. 1:27):**

Homosexuality can lead to HIV, STD's, rare bowel diseases, etc.



Sodomy comes with a **curse of death (Rom. 1:32)**, dishonour of the body, deception, ungodliness, unrighteousness, idolatry of the body, vile affections, burning in lusts, shame, and reprobate mind against the natural.

Romans 1:24-32 *“24 Therefore God gave them up in the **lusts of their [own] hearts to sexual impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies** among themselves [abandoning them to the degrading power of sin],
25 Because they exchanged the truth of God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, Who is blessed forever! Amen (so be it).
26 For this reason **God gave them over and abandoned them to vile affections and degrading passions.** For their women exchanged their natural function for an unnatural and abnormal one,
27 And the men also turned from natural relations with women and were set ablaze (burning out, consumed) with lust for one another—men committing **shameful acts with men and suffering in their own bodies and personalities the inevitable consequences and penalty of their wrongdoing and going astray, which was [their] fitting retribution.**
28 And so, since they did not see fit to acknowledge God or approve of Him or consider Him worth the knowing, God gave them over to a base and condemned mind to do things not proper or decent but loathsome,
29 **Until they were filled (permeated and saturated) with every kind of unrighteousness, iniquity, grasping and covetous greed, and malice. [They were] full of envy and jealousy, murder, strife, deceit and treachery, ill will and cruel ways. [They were] secret backbiters and gossipers,**
30 **Slanderers, hateful to and hating God, full of insolence, arrogance, [and] boasting; inventors of new forms of evil, disobedient and undutiful to parents.**
31 [They were] **without understanding, conscienceless and faithless, heartless and loveless [and] merciless.**
32 **Though they are fully aware of God’s righteous decree that those who do such things deserve to die, they not only do them themselves but approve and applaud others who practice them.”***

Because of the element of ‘uncleanness’, diseases such as, Herpes II and AIDS are prevalent.

Rare bowel diseases such as:

- **Amebiasis** – a parasitic colon disease which causes dysentery and liver abscesses;
- **Giardiasis** – a parasite that causes diarrhoea;
- **Shigellosis**, another bowel disease causing dysentery

- and **Hepatitis A**⁴, a viral liver disease spread by faecal contamination are rife.

It has been reported that sodomy suppresses the immune system even without AIDS.

Sodomy has a higher prevalence of Hepatitis B. Sodomy creates bleeding lesions in the bowel and related areas.

1983 Plenum Medical Book, p141-149: **“Physiologically, the rectum is designed for the expulsion of faeces. When sodomy is performed, the particular forced inward expansion of the anal canal results in the tearing of the lining, as well as bleeding and anal fissures. Mucosal ulceration of the rectal area is common.”**⁵

- **They will suffer poverty:**

Lev. 18:24-25, 28 *“24 Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, for in all these things the nations are defiled which I am casting out before you. 25 And the land is defiled; therefore I visit the iniquity of it upon it, **and the land itself vomits out her inhabitants.** 28 [Do none of these things] lest the land spew you out when you defile it as it spewed out the nation that was before you.”*

How does Man judge Sodomy?

South African Law:

Sodomy between two consenting adults is not considered a crime in South Africa. Discrimination against homosexuality is forbidden. If someone in South Africa is sodomised against their will, they call the crime indecent assault.

Sodomy against women and children is called indecent assault. It is primarily an evil that is escaping prosecution, but many crimes are being committed against millions of people through sodomy every day.

⁴ Taken from: http://www.traditionalvalues.org/pdf_files/Diseases.pdf

⁵ For more info on Homosexual diseases see Addendum B at the back of this book.

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Appendix 2

Court finds men can't be raped

by Sheena Adams, The Mercury, 11 May 2007

Using a dissenting judgment from Chief Judge Pius Langa as ammunition, activists have expressed grave disappointment at a cautious Constitutional Court ruling that failed to extend the definition of rape to men.

In a majority judgment, the court ruled on Thursday that the definition of rape fell short of the "spirit, purport and the objects of the Bill of Rights". It found that the definition should only be extended to include non-consensual anal rape of women.

Acknowledging that male rape was no less "humiliating, degrading or traumatic", Judge Bess Nkabinde, who delivered the ruling, said the court was restricted by the facts before it that concerned the rape of a nine-year-old girl.

With extensive research showing abuse to be a problem that affected young girls and boys equally, at least one activist said the judgment had succeeded in devaluing the impact of sexual assault on boys.

Joan van Niekerk, the Director of Childline, said it was a surprising conclusion for a court with the responsibility of upholding the principles of equality. She said the issue of male rape, particularly of children, remained "largely unaddressed" by the justice system.

Extensive research undertaken by research company CIET Africa, based on interviews with 283 000 South African children, showed that boys were abused "just as much as girls".

About half of both the boys and girls interviewed had been sexually abused, the study found.

Conclusions of the above court case by Judge Nkabinde:

Judge Nkabinde conceded that extending the definition to include males would "no doubt be dealt with in an appropriate fashion either by the legislature or the courts when the circumstances make it appropriate and necessary to do so".

Judge Langa found that even if extending the definition to include males amounted to a slight departure from the facts of the case, it was warranted.

Once it was accepted that anal rape was "as severe an infringement of the victim's dignity" as vaginal rape, it "made no sense" to distinguish between the two. Doing so "reinforced dangerous, gendered stereotypes".

Rape was not about men and women, but about the expression of power through degradation and violation of a victim's dignity and bodily integrity, he said.

CONCLUSION – THE SOUTH AFRICAN LAW AS IT STANDS TODAY:

This information comes from a reputed Senior Criminal Lawyer:

SODOMY BETWEEN CONSENTING ADULTS: **NO CRIME**
SODOMY ON A MINOR MALE (BOY): **INDECENT ASSAULT**
SODOMY ON A MINOR FEMALE (GIRL): **RAPE**
SODOMY ON A WOMAN: **RAPE**

The Relevancy of the Difference between indecent assault and rape:

The Law states that vaginal or anal penetration of females is required to classify the offence as rape.

Act 105 of 1997 read together with Section 51 of the Criminal Procedure Act:

INDECENT ASSAULT: Depending on the circumstances, 2, 5 or 8 years imprisonment, imprisonment is not compulsory, the longest sentence is usually when incest has been involved.

RAPE: Compulsory sentence of 15 years for the first offence, 20 years for the second offence, 25 years for the third offence and gang rapes. In the event the magistrate decides the act deserves life sentence, it is referred to a High Court .

There is a very clear distinction between male and female; sodomy on a male is sentenced as indecent assault, but on a female it is called rape. By distinguishing the same act upon different sexes clearly **discriminates** against males.

Objects:

There is an obvious void in the current legislation not making provision for indecent assault / rape by means of using objects on males or females.

The means that a female rapes another female is by using objects.

Intercession:

We need to do warfare over all these issues and deal with it in the spirit as the laws will not change by dealing with it just on the physical level.

GOD CONTINUES TO SEARCH FOR HIS SONS:

God is our Father, we are His sons. He accepts His parental responsibility and commits to take care of us eternally.

God is a Family Man of Purity:



2 Cor. 6:16b-18 “...I will dwell in and with and among them and will walk in and with and among them, and **I will be their God**, and they shall be My people.

17 So, come out from among [unbelievers], and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor,

18 And **I will be a Father to you**, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.”

2 Sam. 7:14 “14 I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. When he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the stripes of the sons of men.”

Eph. 3:14 “14 For this reason [seeing the greatness of this plan by which you are built together in Christ], I bow my knees before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,”

Matt. 7:11 “11 If you then, evil as you are, know how to give good and advantageous gifts to your children, **how much more will your Father Who is in heaven [perfect as He is] give good and advantageous things to those who keep on asking Him!**”

God calls us continually to come to a place of repentance – a place where He can restore our spirit, soul and body.

2 Cor. 6:16a, 17a “16 What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God;...
17 So, **come out from among [unbelievers]**, and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; **then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor,**”

Hos. 6:1 “1 COME AND let us return to the Lord, for He has torn so that He may heal us; He has stricken so that He may bind us up.”

Hos. 14:1-2, 4-7 “**1 O ISRAEL, return to the Lord your God, for you have stumbled and fallen, [visited by calamity] due to your iniquity.**

2 Take with you words and return to the Lord. Say to Him, Take away all our iniquity; accept what is good and receive us graciously; so will we render [our thanks] as bullocks [to be sacrificed] and pay the confession of our lips.

Hosea 14:4-7 (AMP)

4 I will heal their faithlessness; I will love them freely, for My anger is turned away from [Israel].

5 I will be like the dew and the night mist to Israel; he shall grow and blossom like the lily and cast forth his roots like [the sturdy evergreens of] Lebanon.

6 His suckers and shoots shall spread, and his beauty shall be like the olive tree and his fragrance like [the cedars and aromatic shrubs of] Lebanon.

7 They that dwell under his shade shall return; they shall revive like the grain and blossom like the vine; the scent of it shall be like the wine of Lebanon.”

He asks us to destroy the Asherah poles:

- **Cut down:**

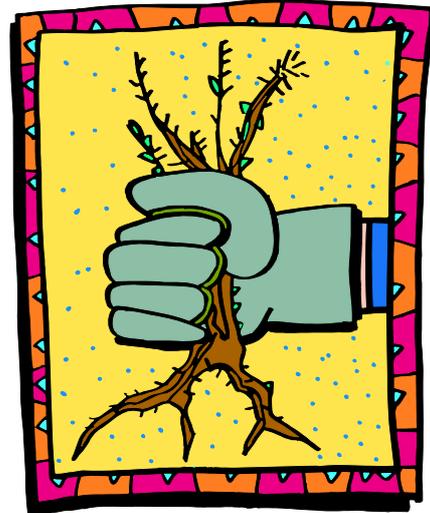
Ex. 34:13 “**13 But you shall destroy their altars, dash in pieces their pillars (obelisks, images), and cut down their Asherim [symbols of the goddess Asherah];”**

- **Uproot:**

Micah 5:14 “**14 And I will root out your Asherim [symbols of the goddess Asherah] and I will destroy your cities [the seats of false worship].”**

- **Burn:**

Deut. 12:3 “**3 You shall break down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and burn their Asherim with fire; you shall hew down the graven images of their gods and destroy their name out of that place.”**



- **Break in pieces:**

2 Chron. 34:4 “**4 They broke down the altars of the Baals in his presence; the sun-images that were high above them he hewed down; the Asherim and the graven images and the molten images he broke in pieces and made dust of them and strewed it upon the graves of those who sacrificed to them.”**

Perversity in the Last Days:

The Word tells us that in the last days at the time when the two witnesses are killed in Jerusalem, that this type of perversity will be rampant.

Rev. 11:7-8 “7 But when they have finished their testimony and their evidence is all in, the beast (monster) that comes up out of the Abyss (bottomless pit) will wage war on them, and conquer them and kill them. 8 And their dead bodies [will lie exposed] in the open street (a public square) of the great city which is in a spiritual sense called [by the mystical and allegorical names of] Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.”

The witnesses will lie in the streets which are **spiritually “called”**:

- **Sodom**

Is.1:9-10 “9 Except the Lord of hosts had left us a very small remnant [of survivors], we should have been **like Sodom**, and we should have been like Gomorrah. 10 Hear [O Jerusalem] the word of the Lord, you rulers or judges of [another] Sodom! Give ear to the law and the teaching of our God, you people of [another] Gomorrah!”

Ezek. 16:46, 53 “46 And your elder sister is Samaria, she and her daughters who dwelt in the north and at your left hand; and your younger sister who dwelt in the south and at your right hand is Sodom and her daughters. 53 I will restore them again from their captivity, restore the fortunes of Sodom and her daughters and the fortunes of Samaria and her daughters, and I will restore your own fortunes in the midst of them [in the day of the Lord],”

- **Egypt**

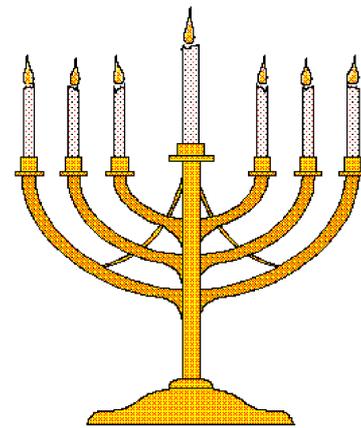
Ezek. 23:3 “3 And they played the **harlot in Egypt**. There they played the harlot in their youth; there their bosoms were pressed and there their virgin breasts were handled.”

Matt. 24:37-39 “37 As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For just as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, [men] marrying and [women] being given in marriage, until the [very] day when Noah went into the ark, 39 And they did not know or understand until the flood came and swept them all away—so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”



Luke 17:26-30 “26 And [just] as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the time of the Son of Man.
27 [People] ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, right up to the day when Noah went into the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.
28 So also [it was the same] as it was in the days of Lot. [People] ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built;
29 But on the [very] day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed [them] all.
30 That is the way it will be on the day that the Son of Man is revealed.”

We must not be surprised to see an increase of perversity – the question is however: “Is your Menorah of light growing in intensity at the same pace?”



Freemasonry and Sodomy

Freemasonry is a brotherhood for men only, excluding women, which creates separate camps - men/women. There are also exclusive women’s groups of Freemasons namely Easter Star, Job’s Daughters, etc.

Added to this foundation, in the top degrees of Freemasonry are the **Knights Templars** who move into high degrees of Satanism – specifically the 28th Degree.

They believe that to have sex with a woman is degrading and will make them effeminate. Studying the top structures of the Nazi parties, we learn that many of them were homosexuals. The book called **The Pink Swastika**⁶ opens up a lot of truth as to what was going on in the top ranks of Hitler’s leadership.

The same Nazi spirit was brought into South Africa as the “Superior Race” which formed the foundation of Apartheid.

Today they have approved Homosexuality in the traditional Dutch Reform Church, who years ago justified apartheid from the Word of God!

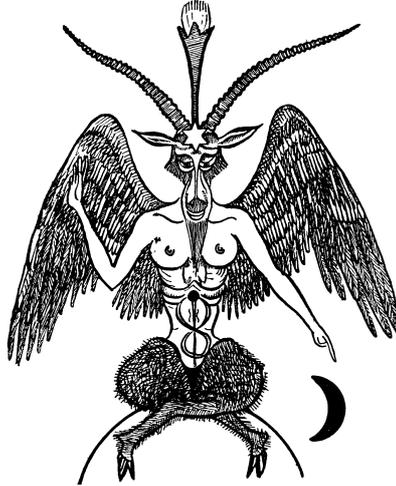
The Knights Templar dress in medieval costumes and worship a mysterious idol called **Baphomet**. This idol is half beast and half man. The Templars who worship this idol, practise **black magic, homosexuality and obscene kissing**.

⁶ **The Pink Swastika** Homosexuality in the Nazi Party Scott Lively and Kevin Abrams
<http://www.abidingtruth.com>

The Father–Son Relationship in Freemasonry:

The father of the Temple brings forth the **spirit of the anti-Christ and death.**

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The Bible teaches us in the last days a man of lawlessness will be revealed who is the son of doom, the **Son of Perdition.**

2 Thessalonians 2:3 “3 Let no one deceive or beguile you in any way, for that day will not come except the apostasy comes first [unless the predicted great falling away of those who have professed to be Christians has come], and **the man of lawlessness (sin) is revealed, who is the son of doom (of perdition),**”

The Freemason family line is bound by this son of perdition.

Perdition

Perdition - **ollumi** (Gk) -

- to destroy utterly.
- the loss of well being.
- to overflow completely especially in the sense of slaying, and to make havoc of.
- subject one to foolish lusts, and then sink back in unbelief.

There are many gods of Freemasonry: They are worshipped for power, fame wealth, prosperity, favour, and much more advantages if you sell your soul to them.

1 Timothy 6:9 “9 But those who **crave to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish (useless, godless) and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction and miserable perishing.**”

This is a warning!! Those who desire to be rich, fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish and harmful lusts that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

UNDERSTANDING THE LEWIS STONE AND THE LEWIS CURSE

1. The **firstborn** son of a Freemason is known as a **Lewis**.
2. Another meaning of the Lewis is the apparatus that gets pushed under a heavy stone block to be able to lift it or move it.
3. The stone in the **middle of a built arch** is also known as the **corner stone and the Lewis Stone**.

How is this arch built?

When a stone mason builds an arch, he uses **supports** to keep the stones in place while it is still uncompleted. The chiselled stones get cemented together from both sides working towards the centre. As soon as the corner stone is placed in its place, the supports can be removed and the arch stands on its own!

Why the corner stone, as well as the oldest son of a Freemason is called a Lewis.

For many centuries in **Persia**, they built an archway where the False Messiah (Baal Berith) was placed in the middle of the arch. He was portrayed as a son on a rainbow. The Lewis Stone is placed at exactly the same place.



During the Christian era this False Messiah was wrongly associated with the true Jesus Christ.

In their search for **enlightenment**, the Freemasons climb up **Jacob's ladder** according to the **degrees** of Freemasonry, until at last they are "enlightened" when they get to the 31 – 33 degrees. It is at this stage that the **Kundalini serpent** has climbed through the **7 chakras** on the spine – 31-33 vertebrae.

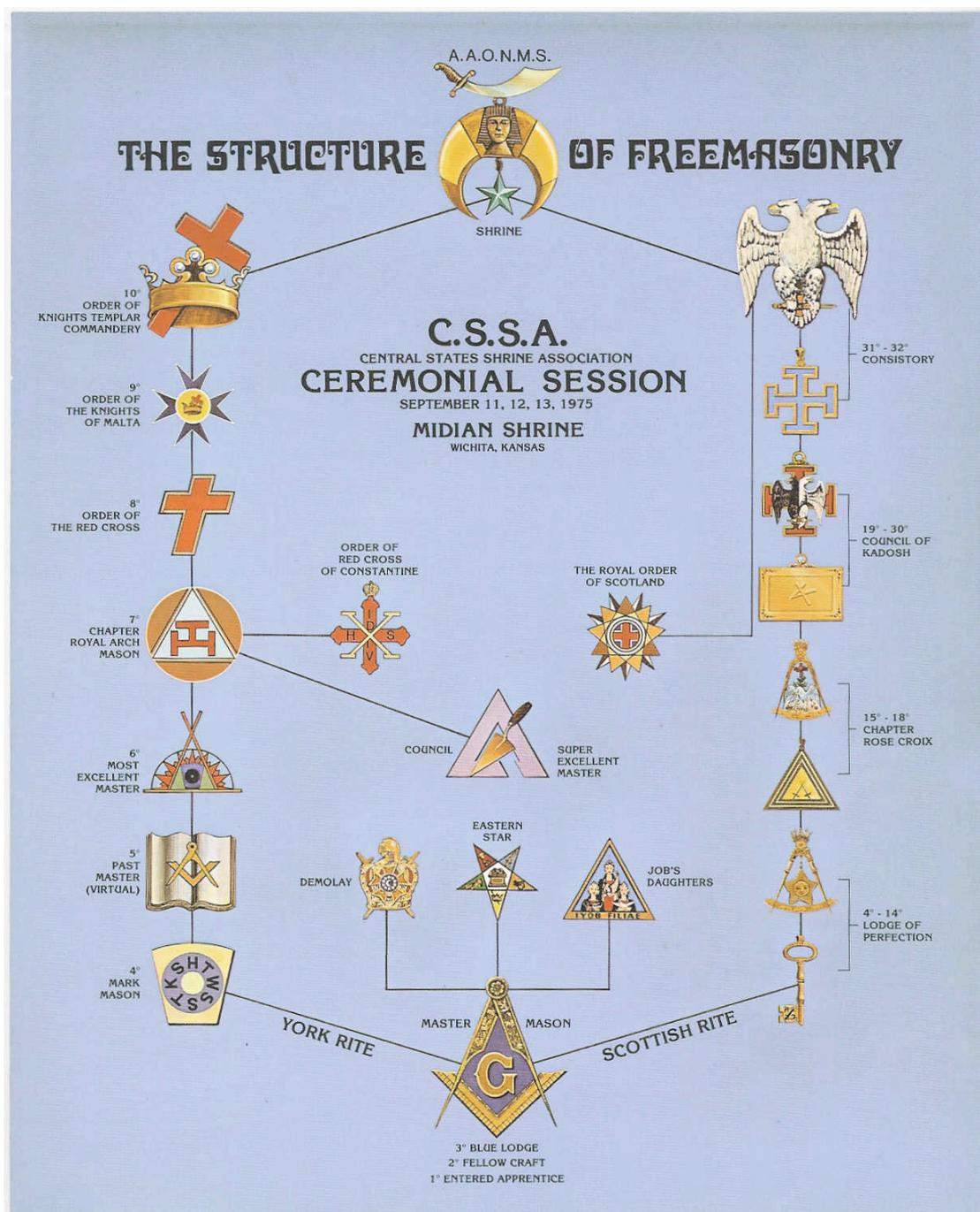
According to the Freemasons, at this stage, they are changed into so-called “gods”.

This in turn, causes the eldest son of the Freemason to be a “son of god”. He sits in the middle of the rainbow (which is the symbol of the covenant that God made with Noah) as the “Messiah”.

If this so-called “messiah” does not take up his calling to be a Freemason, he comes automatically under the Lewis Curse:

He will never be successful in his life – he will always be struggling with financial problems and will forever be a failure.

PRAISE GOD THAT YESHUA IS OUR MESSIAH!!



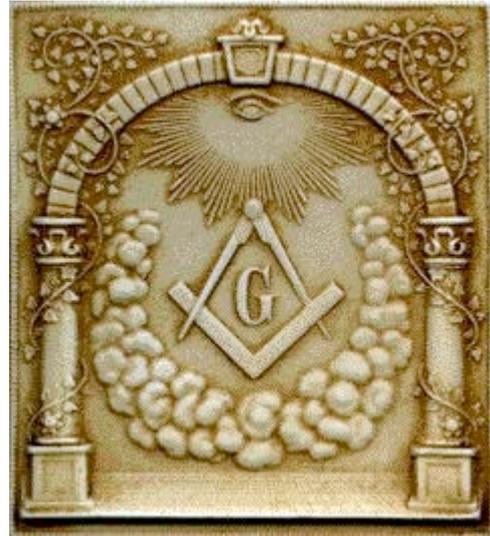
The Fruit of Freemasonry

The serious repercussions of the Knights Templar and this homosexual god will visit the generations with:

Death:

1. Over the Body

For example, plagues of death over the **uterus and prostate areas** with a curse from the Baphomet phallic god, and the curse of sodomy and bestiality.



Bowel and colon cancer have a strong spiritual tie to sodomy and perverted anal activity is often associated with this filthy Masonic idol and practice.

AIDS - Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

AIDS is the plague that follows sodomy. Weakened immune systems bring terrible weakness and exhaustion. In some cases extreme fatigue can be the result if it is linked to sodomy in the family line.

2. Over our Sexuality

The despicable lie of this Baphomet god is an **assignment to destroy sexual identity, confuse and twist Godly purity and sexuality.**

The spirit of sodomy with Freemasonry must be destroyed in our lives, and then we need to break the chains off our children and release them into the Holiness of the Lord.

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you if it affects your **personality** or your **outward appearance – the way you dress, etc;** or any ungodly bonding in **friendships.**



3. Over our Marriage

First of all it will manifest as **seduction, lust and uncleanness**, but then a **shutdown and a wall of silence** in the intimacy of marriage will follow to bring **death, destruction and even insanity** into the marriage.

DEATH OVER INTIMACY



FOUNDATION OF FREEMASONRY AND SODOMY

Christian marriages need to declare war on the roots of sodomy, so that the Glory of the Lord can be restored to our marriages!



God Proclaims Liberty!

God wants us to be free!

Luke 4:18 *“18 The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to **announce release** to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity],”*

Ps. 91:3 *“3 For [then] He will **deliver you** from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.”*

Heb. 12:14 *“14 Strive to live in peace with everybody and **pursue that consecration and holiness without which no one will [ever] see the Lord.**”*

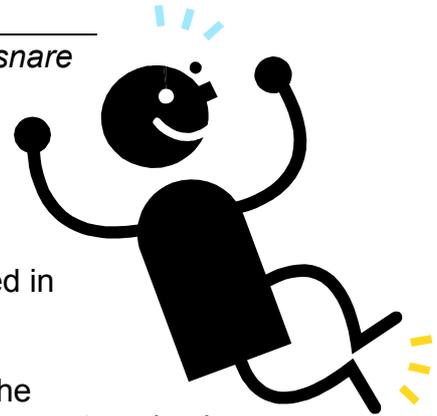


Is. 35:8-10 “8 And a highway shall be there, and a way; and it shall be called the Holy Way. The unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for the redeemed; the wayfaring men, yes, the simple ones and fools, shall not err in it and lose their way.
9 No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there. **But the redeemed shall walk on it.**
10 And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing, and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.”

Psalm 124:7 “7 We are like a bird escaped from the snare of the fowlers; **the snare is broken, and we have escaped!**”

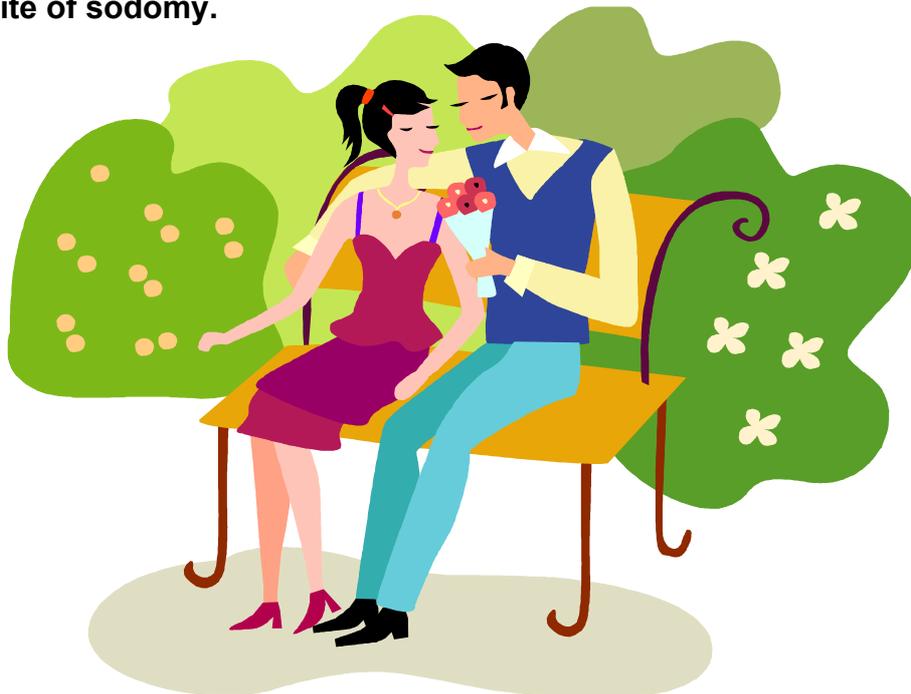
Every **family spirit** of perversion, pornography, unnatural physical relationships and burning lusts of sodomy that have come into our lives can be destroyed in Jesus Name!

We can be released into the beauty and the Glory of the relationship that God has ordained for a man and a woman to enjoy in the fullness of purity, without perversion.



Genesis 2: 18, 23, 25 “18 Now the Lord God said, It is not good (sufficient, satisfactory) that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper meet (suitable, adapted, complementary) for him.
23 Then Adam said, This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of a man.
25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not embarrassed or ashamed in each other’s presence.”

A relationship of **purity, holiness, faithful love and great liberty** is the very **opposite of sodomy.**



A World Made up of LIES

When we start to **compromise** God's Word, and even say sodomy is acceptable; when we bless homosexual marriages, and even ordain practising homosexuals; this is the sure path that leads us to death.

A person in sodomy or bestiality, someone with a concubine mentality, or any adulterer, child molester, rapist, sex addict, pornography addict, fornicator or masturbator lives in a world of **LIES** - more lies, and more lies, and cover up. The same is also true of the person practising sodomy.

James 1: 14-15 *"14 But every person is tempted when he is **drawn away, enticed and baited by his own evil desire (lust, passions).**
15 Then the evil desire, when it has conceived, **gives birth to sin, and sin, when it is fully matured, brings forth death.**"*

There is a huge need for **cover-up, secrecy and silence**. Even within marriage a partner can be a sex addict, and the deception and seduction will make him/her a compulsive liar who has lost his/her conscience.

A person defiled with sodomy will be gradually lured from -

A THOUGHT



to A FEELING



to AN EXPERIENCE



From the deception then comes SELF-DECEPTION.

Truth:

The first step to being healed from any dimension of sodomy is embracing Jesus as The Spirit of Truth, Who will guide us into all truth and break all deception and lies.

John 8:32 *"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."*

If you have been sexually abused, the first truth you must receive is that sodomy needs to be destroyed and broken off your life, because you have been defiled and polluted by it - even against your own will.

2 Corinthians 7:1 “*1 THEREFORE, SINCE these [great] promises are ours, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from everything that contaminates and defiles body and spirit, and bring [our] consecration to completeness in the [reverential] fear of God.*”

Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, and walk and live in holiness and reverential fear of the Lord.

Searing of the Conscience

The conscience is the inner voice and judge of our thoughts and affections.

The Greek word for conscience is 4893 *suneidēsis*; which means “*knowledge shared with oneself*”.

Steps to searing your conscience:

1. You first come under the dimension of **deception**,
2. Then you **burn with lust**,
3. Then you try to **legitimise** the burning lusts for...

- Treating little children like animals.
- Child pornography
- Multiple sex
- Raping
- Incest
- Paedophilia
- Bestiality
- Adultery
- Prostitution
- Etc.

To do the above without feeling anything, a person has to sear their conscience.

The deception can take over when the conscience and the restraints of the conscience are thrown off. Once the conscience is seared there will be a blatant flaunting of evil.

1 Timothy. 4:1-2 “*1 BUT THE [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith, giving attention to deluding and seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach, 2 Through the hypocrisy and pretensions of liars whose consciences are seared (cauterized),*”

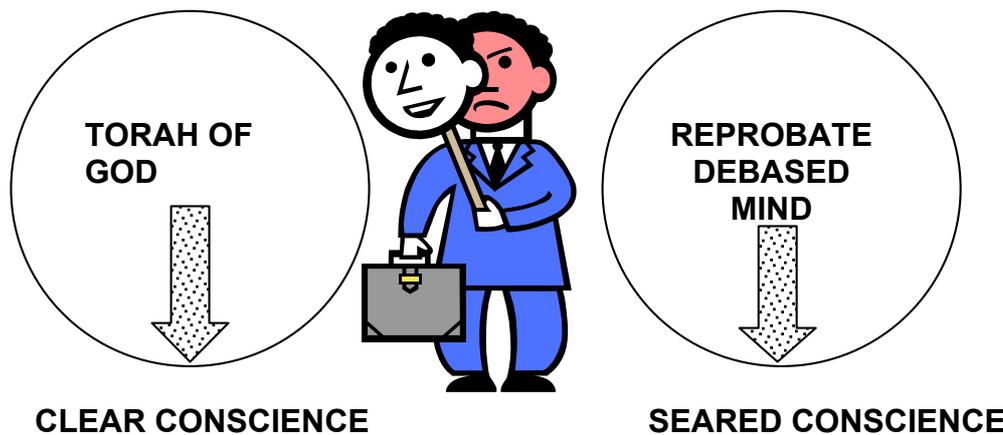
1 Timothy 1:19 “*19 Holding fast to faith (that leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence) and having a good (clear) conscience. By rejecting and thrusting from them [their conscience], some individuals have made shipwreck of their faith.*”



A person who is so perverted becomes like a beast.

One person's judgement as to whether his conduct is right or wrong will depend on whether the conscience is seared, or whether there is still a receiving of the Torah of God written in the heart.

Romans 2:15 *“15 They show that the essential requirements of the Law are written in their hearts and are operating there, with which their consciences (sense of right and wrong) also bear witness; and their [moral] decisions (their arguments of reason, their condemning or approving thoughts) will accuse or perhaps defend and excuse [them]”*



Sin and perversion make the conscience inoperative. The conscience will be smothered by a flame of desire, lust and greed, and the voice of sin will quieten the voice of conscience. Then a person will slide deeper and deeper into perversion.

The seared conscience becomes the soil for gross perversion, and will now live by **self-conscience** that is a law unto self and lawless before God.

One of the fruits of sodomy is **pornography**, which is very often viewed in secrecy, opening the door to total perversion.

The multi-million dollar pornography business and film industry today are propagating total perversion.

The word pornography⁷, derived from the Greek porni (“prostitute”) and graphein (“to write”), was originally defined as any work of art or literature depicting the life of prostitutes.

Unforgiveness

This is a VERY important part of the process of getting set free from the chains of Sodomy.

⁷ <http://www.britannica.com/eb/article-9060885/pornography>

Many in the Body of Christ would say:
"You just need to forgive the person who has sexually abused you".

That is a truth - but forgiveness can only fully flow when you have been healed first. **If you try to forgive before you are healed it will only come from your head, and not your heart.**

Forgiveness comes at the end of a long process where you have dealt with all the pain, shame and guilt of what has happened to you.

Unforgiveness can release us to the **tormentors**, according to the Word of God.

Matt. 18:34-35 "34 And in wrath his master turned him over to the **torturers** (the jailers), till he should pay all that he owed.
35 So also My heavenly Father will deal with every one of you if you do not **freely forgive your brother from your heart his offenses.**"

John 20:21-23 "21 Then Jesus said to them again, **Peace to you!** [Just] as the Father has sent Me forth, so I am sending you.
22 And having said this, **He breathed on them** and said to them, **Receive the Holy Spirit!**
23 [Now having received the Holy Spirit, and being led and directed by Him] if you **forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of anyone, they are retained.**"

Then you will be given the power to forgive by the Lord.

The Blood of Jesus

Sodomy brings a shedding of blood, certainly spiritually. In rituals where they practise sodomy, it will literally bring the shedding of blood. There is blood on the hands of the Sodomite, and many times innocent blood.

The only cleansing agent that will break the power of the blood of murder is the Blood of Jesus. His Blood was shed on Calvary to cleanse our conscience.

Only the Blood of Jesus is able to break the power of Sodomy.

1 John 1:7,9 "7 But if we [really] are living and walking in the Light, as He [Himself] is in the Light, we have [true, unbroken] fellowship with one another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses (removes) us from all sin and guilt** [keeps us cleansed from sin in all its forms and manifestations].



9 If we [freely] admit that we have sinned and confess our sins, He is faithful and just (true to His own nature and promises) and will forgive our sins [dismiss our lawlessness] and [continuously] cleanse us from all unrighteousness [everything not in conformity to His will in purpose, thought, and action].”

His Blood will cleanse our conscience; cleanse our isolation, depression, and all the repercussions of murder done through sodomy. Only the Blood of Jesus can heal our shattered lives!!

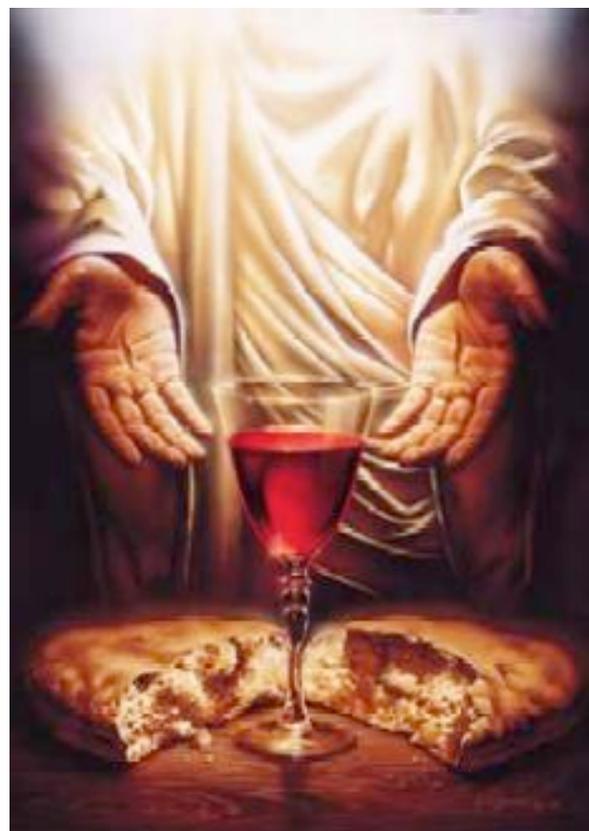
Ezekiel. 36:24-30 “24 For I will take you from among the nations and gather you out of all countries and bring you into your own land.
25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness; and from all your idols will I cleanse you.
26 A new heart will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.
27 And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you shall heed My ordinances and do them.
28 And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you shall be My people, and I will be your God.
29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses, and I will call forth the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine on you.
30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field, that you may no more suffer the reproach and disgrace of famine among the nations.”

What a powerful passage!

**IT IS THE TIME TO SEPARATE
THE PRECIOUS FROM THE VILE!!**

Jer 15:19-21 “..if you separate the precious from the vile you shall be My mouthpiece...”

**YOU CAN BE CLEANSED FROM
THE VILE THING OF SODOMY;
CLEANSED WITH THE PRECIOUS
BLOOD OF JESUS TO COME INTO
PURE, CLEAN RELATIONSHIPS.
ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!!**



Prayer of Renunciation Sodomy and Sexual Abuse

Father, in the Name of Jesus, I choose with my whole being to **separate** the precious from the vile – I lay my life before You now and know that I cannot hide anything from Your Eyes.

I choose to be transparent and invite You to search my heart as David prayed in Ps 51. Show me please, Lord, all the wicked and perverse ways in my life as well as in the life of my forefathers.

I bring before You specifically the **sin of sodomy** that has been affecting my life by a family spirit or by any means of **violation** in my life. I ask for Your forgiveness, Father, where we have grieved You and caused many to be defiled, in Jesus Name.

Please help me now Lord, to deal with this **stronghold** in my life – I accept You paid the price for me and that You have given me Your power and authority to deal with these forces in my life. I now take up my authority in the Name of Jesus and declare death to its every stronghold!!

I shine the Light of God onto every **animal trap of sodomy** and I expose the traps of the enemy in my life and in the life of my loved ones, in Jesus Name.

I renounce every animal trap that I have fallen into and I also renounce of being abused or treated like an animal in any form in my life.

Thank You Jesus, that You are The Lion of Judah, and You destroy every chain, and break open every trap.

I release my faith to believe for a complete release from the trap of sodomy. I declare the **snare** is breaking over my life and over the lives of my loved ones and I am escaping out of the snare of the fowler!

Father, I believe for complete **healing** and **restoration**, for complete FREEDOM where sodomy has defiled my body, defiled and affected my soul, and contaminated my spirit.

I renounce every time I **compromised** Your Word by stubbornly believing that sodomy is acceptable. The Word of God says it is an abomination, so I choose to come out of all compromised thinking, and I will not fellowship with these unfruitful works of darkness at all.

I renounce all **deception** that has come with sodomy, all **blindness**; where I have not been able to see any of the **consequences** of sodomy in my life. I will see the Truth of Your Word only, and that Truth will set me free.

I choose to take **accountability** for my actions – I will not **deny** what I have done wrong anymore. My **moral boundaries** were violated and I have been shattered into pieces – my mind, my emotions, and even my very life has been shattered – I ask You Lord, please put me together again!!

Only You can heal the brokenness of my body, soul and spirit!! I come to You for **total deliverance**.

Father, sodomy has opened the door to **deception and a web of lies**. I now choose to speak the Truth because that is the **ONLY** way out of this web!!

I break all **agreements** that I made with the lying spirit that is bonded to the deception of sodomy.

Where I have been caught in a web of deception of my own doing, or the deeds of somebody else, I take the Sword of the Spirit and destroy the web of lies, in the Name of Jesus.

I ask You to send Your angels with special detergents from Heaven to remove all the stickiness from the web off me now, in Jesus Name!

I take authority over the **spirits of deception and seduction** in the Name of Jesus, I strip you of your assignment against me and my family and I decommission you to the Feet of the Lord Jesus!!

I renounce all the tactics I used to **cover-up** and be **silent** that was part of the lifestyle and deception of sodomy.

I renounce any **self-deception** that has bound my life unknowingly through sodomy. I break all blindness of self-deception. Scales will come off my eyes, in Jesus' Name.

I choose to love the Truth.

Father, in the Name of Jesus I repent of the sin of sodomy which according to Your Word has been a total opponent of a clear conscience.

My conscience has been defiled and I also repent of the family sin for many generations that has totally violated the God-given conscience.

My conscience has been lawless in **adultery, incest and other vile works**, I ask You Father for the Blood of Jesus to cleanse me body, soul and spirit, and to destroy the family iniquity of all actions of perversion throughout all my generations.

I break any curse of a seared conscience through rebellion, in Jesus Name. Father, I now choose to have the fear of the Lord over my conscience, lest I be destroyed.

Thank You, Father, that I can now break the curse of being shipwrecked in life because of **lawlessness** over the conscience.

I renounce any family spirit of perversion and I cast you out in Jesus Name! I take authority over every evil spirit that has caused me and my family to sin; of flaming, burning lusts out of control, that have silenced my conscience – in

Jesus Name I bind you and I cast you out of my life! I shut the door that I opened to you and I seal it with the Blood of the Lamb!

Father, I renounce the **curse of being a victim** of sodomy. In the Name of Jesus I break that curse and reverse it into a blessing!

Where **guilt** has lodged in my subconscious from a defiled consciousness, Lord, I ask You to **unlock** all of the guilt that has been **suppressed** in the subconscious. I invite You, Lord, to completely cleanse my **memories** and subconscious – bring everything into Your marvellous Light and expose all secrets of the past that has kept me locked away in places and times in the spirit.

I renounce a guilt-complex that has made me a very **anxious** person. All terror and fear in the subconscious shall also be totally released. I submit to the healing power of Jesus to totally set me free. I shall be free, and released into liberty in Jesus Name – this is my inheritance as a child of God!

Father, I renounce the family worship of the creature or the body, rather than the worship of the Creator. I smash the **idol** of body worship and self worship. Father, burning lusts have had a life-controlling effect on my life through sexual abuse. In the Name of Jesus I now destroy all those chains of control that sodomy had over me.

I proclaim that my mind, my thoughts, my emotions, my body and my spirit will come under the full control of the Holy Spirit.

In the Name of Jesus I break the **curse of promiscuity or frigidity** (coldness) because of the **chains of sodomy**. I declare that I will be restored to how You created me to be from the beginning, in Jesus' Name.

In the Name of Jesus I break the **curse of slavery with sodomy**. Where slavery has come down the family line, I renounce the curse of being a slave. I break the **yoke** of slavery that was placed on my neck; I break every **ball and chain that kept me tied to any master**.

I declare that I will only be a servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, not a slave forever to sodomy.

I renounce the **curse of "ownership" and "slavery" through sexual abuse**.

Sodomy is a curse of the dog. Prostitution can open the door to the wearing of a dog collar - literally. Such a picture of a prostitute slave...



Father, In the Name of Jesus, I bind any **respiratory diseases** from the **choking of the dog collar** in the spirit. I take authority over this **spirit of prostitution**; I bind it in Jesus Name and send it to the Feet of Jesus.

With the Sword of the Spirit, I cut off the **collar of prostitution** that has come from my forefathers and I call upon the FIRE of God to burn it up, I Jesus Name!

In the Name of Jesus, I also cut off **the collar and cable tow** that comes through demonic curses made by **Freemasonry** on my bloodline causing me to be a slave of sodomy through the rituals done to me during initiations.

Father, I also renounce **the whip, the shackles and chains** that go with being a slave of prostitution. Destroy these with Your Fire, Father!

Father, I bring before You any false religions with **temple prostitution** as well as any **Masonic temple prostitution**, on my bloodline; I ask forgiveness for presenting my body as a living sacrifice to demons to be used in this way, in Jesus Name.

I ask You Father, to please cleanse me body soul and spirit from all defilement and brokenness that was caused through the years of serving in these temples – in the natural as well as in the spirit.

I cancel all worship that satan and all the **fertility gods** received through me and my family's involvement in this type of service.

I renounce and break every demonic covenant that I or my forefathers made with **BAAL and every other Fertility Cult**, in Jesus Name.

I call down the FIRE of God to destroy every **satanic altar and idol** that is still standing in the spirit and testifying against me, in Jesus Name!

Lord, please **SILENCE the voices from my past** and cut me free from any **hooks, chains and pulleys** that will try to pull me back into this type of lifestyle!!

Father, if there is any **programming done in the heavenlies**, written in the **planets, stars and constellations** prophesying against me because of the agreements made with fertility cults by my forefathers; blot it out now with the Blood of the Lamb!!

I ask You, Father, to please cleanse me from all defilement that was smeared or poured upon me by the **violation** of sodomy; cleanse me with the Water of Your Word.

I cut myself free from every spiritual bonding that has bound me to sodomy in Jesus Name. I ask You to remove from me any **mind and spirit of any master** as well as every other person that I was ever involved with.
Name the person/s.....

Bestiality and Zoophilia

Father, I ask forgiveness for grieving You with going even lower to the level of seeking **sexual pleasure with animals** – bestiality and zoophilia. Please cleanse me now from this terrible defilement and break every curse that has come upon me for practising this terrible sin.

Cut me free from every **animal spirit** and loose me body, soul and spirit. Blot out even the memories to these acts with the Blood of Jesus!! Remove from me the **smells and tastes** of my encounters with animals.

I ask You, Father, to please cleanse me from all physical and spiritual **deposits of seed and bodily fluids**, with all the people I was involved with as well as every animal.

Father, where I moved into **unreality and isolation, alienation and separation** to try and cope with the shame and guilt; please forgive me and help me to come out of these places in the spirit.

In the Name of Jesus, I now break the **curse of feeling alienated** from the whole family as well as the family of God. I reverse this curse and change it into a blessing!

I declare I will be accepted by the Father and the family of God!!

Father, in the Name of Jesus, I break the **curse of sodomy** of being a **wanderer** without roots – the **curse of Cain**; I declare that as your child I will grow, multiply and take dominion!

In the Name of Jesus, I break the curse of Cain and bind the **spirit of murder, death and destruction** over every area of my life. I declare that my inheritance in You is LIFE and not death!

Father, in Jesus Name, I cut myself loose from every **perpetrator** who has abused me in my life time – I take authority over every spirit of **murder and death** in the Name of Jesus. I bind you and cast you out and send you to the Feet of the Lord Jesus Christ!

I smash the **time clocks of satan** over my life to cause **cycles of death and destruction**, in Jesus Name! I break the stronghold of death over my mind, my emotions, my relationships, and over all my whole life!!

I take authority over the **grim reaper** in Jesus Name; I break his **sickle** and declare that his **reaping time** over my life is over!!

I declare that **Father Time** cannot keep me bound to any time period in my life – I redeem back every second, minute, hour, day, week, month and year of my life and place it into the Hands and authority of Jesus Christ alone!!

I thank You Father for **RESURRECTION LIFE** in every area of my life in Jesus Name!!

Father, I bring before You the stronghold of **deep depression** through being sodomized and having my conscience defiled.

I ask You to please come and lift me out of this **deep pit** of miry clay and destroy the **shackles and chains** that have kept me as a slave in this place. Please destroy this place in the spirit Lord so that I will never again be able to go back into this pit, in Jesus Name.

Thank You Father that you destroy the **power of death and hell** – Jesus You overcame all the powers of the grave and therefore I can live and be an overcomer by Your power and grace!!

In Jesus Name I take authority over the **spirit of death, hell and decay**; I bind you and cast you out and send you to the feet of the Lord Jesus!

Father, I bring before You my lifestyle of being an addict because of living with a defiled conscience – I ask You for complete healing of my conscience and memories and that You will deliver me from every addictive spirit and habit, in Jesus Name.

Lord, I bring before You the **curse of mutilation** that has come because of a lifestyle of sodomy; where I have mutilated my body, soul and spirit, please forgive me Father!

Where I have opened up myself to **mutilating diseases** of the body, please forgive me, Lord!

I bring before You Father, the **SODOMITE SEAL** that has been placed upon me sealing me into the Sodomite kingdom never to be broken and keeping me a victim for the rest of my life. I thank You Jesus, that You are the One Who has the power to break open the seals! I ask You now to destroy this sodomite seal over my life and sexuality, in the Name of Jesus!

Please remove me from the sodomite kingdom – I step out of this kingdom by FAITH and close the door behind me. Please seal it with the Blood of the Lamb, place an angel before the door with a flaming sword, that it will NEVER again be opened, in Jesus Name!

I petition before You now for my complete healing: body, soul and spirit. My inheritance as Your child is that I can stand upon the completed work of Calvary! I receive it now by faith!! Thank You Father!!

I thank You Father that You are healing my **bowels, sexual organs and breathing passages** in Jesus Name!! The hold of sodomy and mutilations are broken over my life in Jesus Name!!

Father, I bring before You **every incident of sodomy and rape** that has ever occurred in my life; I ask You Lord to break **the curse of cancer** that has come into my life because of this, in Jesus Name.

Father I bring before You every act of sodomy that was done to me as a child in **child abuse, witchcraft or ritual abuse**; In the Name of Jesus, I ask You Lord to heal all those painful memories and to set me free from all demonic spirits that entered me; You know who they are and how many entered me – set me free **from murder, death, even physical death** that entered my body through any mutilating diseases.

[You may need to fast and pray if the abuse has been extensive, because the spirit of death and murder will have taken a very strong hold of your life.]

Father, my deliverance is the Blood of Jesus! Thank You Lord, that You **silence the murderous blood of sodomy**. The Blood of Jesus has the final Word over my life!!

Please give me a powerful revelation of the Blood of Jesus and the Water of Your Word to totally **cleanse my conscience, and to completely cleanse the murder and the death over every part of my being**: body, soul and spirit, in Jesus' Name.

Father I stand upon the promise of Your Word in:

Ezekiel 36: 25-29 *“25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness; and from all your idols will I cleanse you. 26 A new heart will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you shall heed My ordinances and do them. 28 And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you shall be My people, and I will be your God. 29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses, and I will call forth the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine on you.”*

The Blood of Jesus has cleansed me from all sin!!

The vile thing is being washed off me totally!!

This is my inheritance in Christ Jesus!

THANK YOU FATHER, THANK YOU JESUS, THANK YOU HOLY SPIRIT!!



PART 2: BELIAL – A RULING SPIRIT OF WICKEDNESS

INTRODUCTION

He is one of the most wicked and vile spirits in the kingdom of darkness. “Belial” is mentioned 27 times in the Old Testament and once in the New Testament.

Hebrew word **beliyaal** which is translated as **Belial** sixteen times in the Old Testament. The word is also translated in other verses as *wicked, ungodly, and naughty.*



The Strong’s definition of **beliyaal** is: without profit, worthless, destruction, wickedness, evil, naughty. The most common of these definitions is **WORTHLESSNESS**.

Webster’s definition of WORTHLESSNESS is: valueless, useless, contemptible, despicable. Despicable is defined as “deserving to be despised: so worthless or obnoxious as to rouse moral indignation.”

BELIAL’S work is to cause men to commit sins that are so vile and contemptible that it ROUSES MORAL INDIGNATION. This will bring the curse and the judgment of God.

Deut 13: 12-17

12 If you hear it said in one of your cities which the Lord your God has given you in which to dwell

13 That certain base fellows (the children of Belial) have gone out from your midst and have enticed away the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods—gods you have not known—

14 Then you shall inquire and make search and ask diligently. And behold, if it is true and certain that such an abominable thing has been done among you,
15 You shall surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly and all who are in it and its beasts with the edge of the sword.

16 And you shall collect all its spoil into the midst of its open square and shall burn the city with fire with every bit of its spoil [as a whole burnt offering] to the Lord your God. It shall be a heap [of ruins] forever; it shall not be built again.

17 And nothing of the accursed thing shall cling to your hand, so that the Lord may turn from the fierceness of His anger, and show you mercy and have compassion on you and multiply you, as He swore to your fathers,

SECTION A: CHARACTERISTICS OF BELIAL

1. SEDUCTION

He attempts to draw people away from worshipping the true God. Under Belial are spirits that will SEDUCE people and draw them away from the Lord.

1 Tim 4:1 *“1 BUT THE [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith, giving attention to **deluding** and **seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach,**”*

Webster defines **Apostasy** as “abandonment of a previous loyalty, defection.

Many people have abandoned the faith. Churches are considering ordaining homosexuals as ministers. This is the work of Belial and seducing spirits.

To SEDUCE means to lead away, to persuade to disobedience or disloyalty, to lead astray by persuasion or false promises, to attract, to lure.



2. BELIAL WORKS WITH JEZEBEL

Rev 2:20 *“20 But I have this against you: that you tolerate the woman **Jezebel**, who calls herself a **prophetess** [claiming to be inspired], and who is **teaching and leading astray** my servants and **beguiling** them into **practicing sexual vice and eating food sacrificed to idols.**”*

Belial works with the SPIRIT OF JEZEBEL to seduce the servants of the Lord into **fornication** and **idolatry**. Jezebel can manifest through **false teachings**, and is a seducing spirit.

Rev 2: 22,23 *“22 Take note: I will throw her on a bed [of anguish], and those who commit adultery with her [her paramours] **I will bring down to pressing distress and severe affliction**, unless they turn away their minds from conduct [such as] hers and repent of their doings.
23 And I will strike her children (her proper followers) dead [thoroughly exterminating them]. And all the assemblies (churches) shall recognize and understand that I am He Who searches minds (the thoughts, feelings, and purposes) and the [inmost] hearts, and I will give to each of you [the reward for what you have done] as your work deserves.”*

This was the judgment of the Lord upon those who allowed themselves to be seduced by the teachings of Jezebel.

FORNICATION AND ADULTERY WILL ALWAYS BE JUDGED BY THE LORD.

Hebrews 13:4 “*4 Let marriage be held in honor (esteemed worthy, precious, of great price, and especially dear) in all things. And thus let the marriage bed be undefiled (kept undishonored); for God will judge and punish the unchaste [all guilty of sexual vice] and adulterous.*”

Marriage is under attack in the world like never before. Divorce is almost expected. Jezebel is a seducing spirit and draws people into whoredom and adultery. This will bring the judgment of God.

WHOREDOM means PROSTITUTION. It also means faithlessness, unworthy or idolatrous practices or pursuits.

SPIRITS OF WHOREDOM, PROSTITUTION AND DEBAUCHERY WORK UNDER THE STRONGMAN BELIAL.

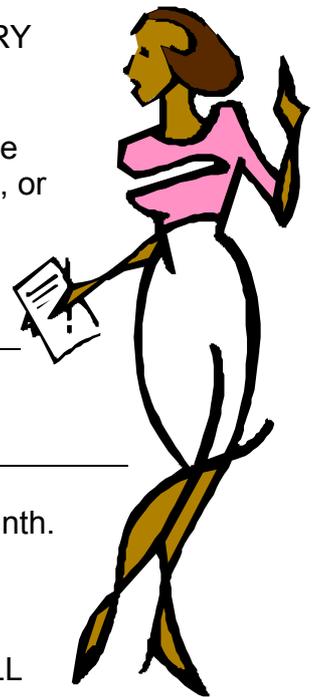
Debauchery is defined as extreme indulgence in sensuality. To be sensual means to be fleshly or carnal, deficient in moral, spiritual, or intellectual interests: irreligious.

NEW TESTAMENT REFERENCE TO BELIAL

2 Cor 6:15 “*15 What harmony can there be between **Christ and Belial** [the devil]? Or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever?*”

Paul was dealing with the rampant carnality in the Church of Corinth.

Jezebel does not work alone!! Belial works with Jezebel to draw people into abominable sins including SODOMY, HOMOSEXUALITY, INCEST, RAPE, AND PERVERSION OF ALL KINDS.



3. BELIAL SEARS THE CONSCIENCE

1 Kings 21: 9,10, 13, 14 “*9 And in the letters she said, **Proclaim a fast** and set Naboth up high among the people.
10 And set two **men, base fellows (Sons of Belial)**, before him, and let them **bear witness against him**, saying, You cursed and renounced God and the king. Then carry him out and stone him to death.
13 Two **base fellows (Sons of Belial)** came in and sat opposite him and they charged Naboth before the people, saying, Naboth cursed and renounced God and the king. Then he was carried out of the city and stoned to death.
14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth has been stoned and is dead.”*

Here is an example of Jezebel and Belial working together.

BELIAL CAUSES MEN TO ACT WITHOUT CONSCIENCE.

1 Tim 4:2 “*2 Through the hypocrisy and pretensions of liars whose consciences are seared (cauterized),*”

To cauterize means to deaden. One of the ways Belial is able to cause men to commit vile acts is by cauterizing the conscience. Men without a conscience are capable of committing any act without feeling remorse.

When the conscience is seared, men and women are opened to all kinds of unclean spirits and capable of all kinds of unclean acts. There are many today who no longer feel that homosexuality, lesbianism, and incest are wrong.



Belial has cauterized the conscience to accept these things as acceptable lifestyles. There is almost no limit to the depravity that men can exhibit when the conscience has been seared.

4. BELIAL AND THE SPIRITS OF RAPE AND SEXUAL ABUSE

Judges 19:22-25

Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain SONS OF BELIAL, beset the house round about, and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.

And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly.

Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so VILE A THING.

But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and ABUSED her all the night until the morning....

The Berkeley translation says, "*They raped her and abused her...*" This is one of the VILEST acts recorded in, the Word of God. The "sons of Belial" raped the concubine until the next morning. As we continue reading through to the end of the chapter, we find that the concubine actually *died* from this vile act committed against her. She was literally RAPED TO DEATH.

Judges 19:26-28

*Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light.
And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and **her hands were upon the threshold.**
And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But none answered...*

The Septuagint version says, "*She made no answer, for she was dead.*" The Knox version says, "*When no answer came, he knew that she was dead.*" And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, together with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.

Judges 19:29, 30

And it was so, that all that saw it said, There WAS NO SUCH DEED DONE NOR SEEN FROM THE DAY THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL CAME UP OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT UNTO THIS DAY: consider of it, take advice, and speak your minds.

The Moffat translation says, "*was ever such a crime committed.*" The Jerusalem version says, "*has any man seen such a thing.*" The Berkeley translation says, "*Nothing like this has ever happened...*" This abominable act caused civil war in Israel. The tribes of Israel gathered against the city of Gibeah to destroy it.

Judges 20:6

And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed LEWDNESS and FOLLY in Israel.

The Word of God calls this act "lewdness". Webster defines lewd as "*evil, wicked, sexually unchaste or licentious, obscene, salacious.*" And the word *obscene* means "*disgusting to the senses, repulsive.*" Thus, Belial causes men to commit vile and obscene acts.

Other spirits working under Belial include **rape** and **sexual abuse**. The concubine was raped and abused until she died as a result. The proliferation of rape and sexual abuse, including **incest** and **sodomy**, are the result of the wicked spirit of Belial.

Thousands of women and men have been victims of sexual abuse as children. *Spirits of death* that come in during the violation need to be cast out. When someone is violated in this way, it can be like a death coming into their souls. Sexual abuse is rampant in our nation. **These filthy spirits are the work of the wicked ruler, Belial.**



Judges 20:11-13

So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, knit together as one man.

And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness is this that is done among you?

Now therefore deliver us the men, the CHILDREN OF BELIAL,

which are in Gibeah, THAT WE MAY PUT THEM TO DEATH, and put away evil from Israel.

The tribes of Israel were so **repulsed** by this act of **mass rape** that they gathered together against the city of Gibeah and demanded those who were guilty of this act. They decided to put to death the guilty.

The *spirit of Belial* desires for us to tolerate these vile acts in our nations. But there are some sins that are so vile and abominable until it will stir moral indignation in most people, saved or unsaved.

As we continue the study of Belial, we are identifying spirits that operate under him. We can include spirits of *rape, incest, molestation, sexual abuse, sexual impurity, uncleanness, filthiness, lasciviousness, sodomy, lewdness, and obscenity.*

5. BELIAL AND THE SPIRITS OF ALCOHOL AND DRUNKENNESS

1 Samuel 1:13-16

*Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: **therefore ELI THOUGHT SHE HAD BEEN DRUNKEN.***

And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou BE DRUNKEN? put away thy wine from thee.

And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the Lord



Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of BELIAL: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.

The spirit of Belial operates through **alcohol and drunkenness**. Drunkenness is a way to break down the morals and open people up to **lust and perversion**. I believe that spirits of alcohol and drunkenness operate under the strongman of Belial. It is a known fact that many children of alcoholic parents are often the victims of sexual abuse, including incest. Alcohol can also open the door for *spirits of rape* including "date rape" (that is so prevalent on many of the college and university campuses).

Proverbs 23:31-33

Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.

Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.

These verses show the connection of the spirit of perversion to drunkenness. To *pervert* means to cause to turn aside or away from what is good or true or morally right, to corrupt, to cause to turn aside from what is generally done or accepted.

Sexual perversion has become rampant in our nation with the promotion of homosexuality and lesbianism as acceptable and alternate lifestyles. These are *perversions* according to the Word of God. Spirits of perversion, including **homosexuality** and **lesbianism**, operate under the strongman of Belial. This is also referred to in the Word of God as **sodomy**.



Sodomy is defined as copulation with a member of the same sex or with an animal (bestiality). It is also non-coital, especially anal or oral copulation with a member of the opposite sex (Webster). The term "sodomite" is mentioned five times in the Old Testament. Sodomites were temple prostitutes that were a part of the worship of the idol gods of fertility in Canaan. These **vile acts** were a part of the idol worship of the Canaanites.

6. THE SONS OF ELI

1 Samuel 2:12

Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the Lord.

1 Samuel 2:22

Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.



The sons of Eli represent *ministry*. They, along with Eli, were in charge of the priesthood, regulating the temple, and the sacrifices of Israel.

Their abuses brought the judgment of the Lord upon them and the establishment of a new order under Samuel. These sons are called "*sons of Belial*". They were being motivated and controlled by the spirit of Belial.

One of the works of Belial is to bring **uncleanness into the temple of God**. The ministry is a target of this spirit. He desires to draw the servant of the Lord, His anointed, into sin (especially sexual sin) to bring reproach to the church.

These priests were also **guilty of greed** in making themselves "fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel" (1 Samuel 2:29). Their sin was so great that "men abhorred the offering of the Lord" (1 Samuel 2:17).

1 Samuel 2:25

...Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto the voice of their father, because the Lord would SLAY THEM.

The Rotherham translation says, "*...for Yahweh was pleased to put them to death.*" The Lord judged their sin with death. There is no reason for this kind of activity, especially from those who are in the ministry. God forbid that men of God would lay with the women of their congregations.

The spirit of Belial desires to draw the servants of God into this kind of hideous activity in order to bring judgment upon the servants of the Lord. The sons of Eli knew not the Lord. True apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers know the Lord. They also know that there are moral standards to which God's servants are expected to live.

Remember, whore-mongers and adulterers God will judge.

1 Samuel 3:13

For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.

This verse tells us the Lord considered their acts VILE. The Berkeley translation says, "that his sons were bringing a curse upon themselves." The Revised Standard version says, "because his sons were blaspheming God."

Again, the work of Belial is to cause men to get involved in sins that are abominable and bring the curse of God.

Romans 1:32

Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are WORTHY OF DEATH, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

What sins do Paul mention that are worthy of death?

The answer is **idolatry, homosexuality and lesbianism**. Now I am not stating that every person involved in these sins should be put to death. Thank God for His mercy. There is salvation offered to all. Jesus died and shed His Blood for sin. Those who repent and accept His sacrifices will receive deliverance and forgiveness of sin.



However, the judgment of God does come to those who, through a hard and impenitent heart, will not repent (**Romans 2:5**).

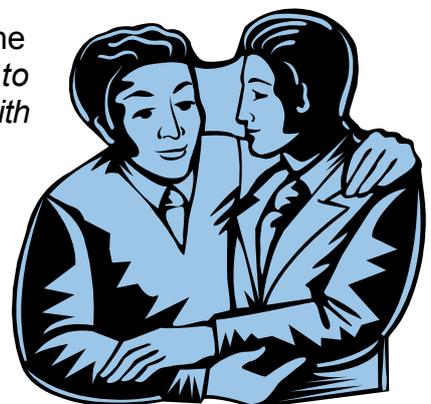
Regardless of what the secular media tries to tell us concerning homosexuality and lesbianism, these are perversions and are under the judgment of God.

Romans 1:26-27

For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

The Phillips translation says, "disgraceful passions". The Knox version says, "passions which brought dishonor to themselves." The Conybeare translation says, "men with men working abomination."

Webster's definition of *abomination* is "extreme disgust and hatred, loathing." To *loathe* means to dislike greatly and often with disgust or intolerance, to detest.



7. BELIAL: REJECTING THE LORD'S ANOINTED

1 Samuel 10:26-27

And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.

*But **the children of Belial said**, How shall this man save us? And they **despised** him, and brought him no presents. But he held his peace.*

2 Samuel 20:1

*And there happened to be there a **man of Belial** whose name was Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse...*

Another manifestation of Belial is to **reject the Lord's anointed**. This is a *spirit of irreverence* and disrespect for the ones that are sent by God. Belial hates the anointed of the Lord. God's anointed bring deliverance to the people. The Young's Literal translation of 2 Samuel 20:1 calls Sheba "a man of worthlessness." The Amplified version calls him "base and contemptible fellow."

Those controlled by Belial will **despise the Lord's anointed**. To *despise* means to look down on with contempt or aversion, to regard as negligible, worthless, or distasteful. This was the attitude of those controlled by Belial toward David, the Lord's anointed.

The Basic English translation of 1 Samuel 10:27 says, "*And having no respect for him; they gave him no offering.*" Belial will cause individuals to **not support men and women sent by the Lord**. They will withhold their financial support.

It is important to honor and respect those who are called and sent by the Lord. One of the ways we honor them is to support them financially and to bless them with our words. It is dangerous to touch the Lord's anointed. As we receive the Lord's anointed, we will receive the fullness and blessing of the Lord.

Belial hates the Lord's anointed. Preachers and teachers anointed by God are a hindrance to Belial's work. Godly leaders call men to repentance and a lifestyle of righteousness.

They bring deliverance and restoration to the people of God. They are a restraining influence to the work of Belial.



NABAL

1 Samuel 25:17

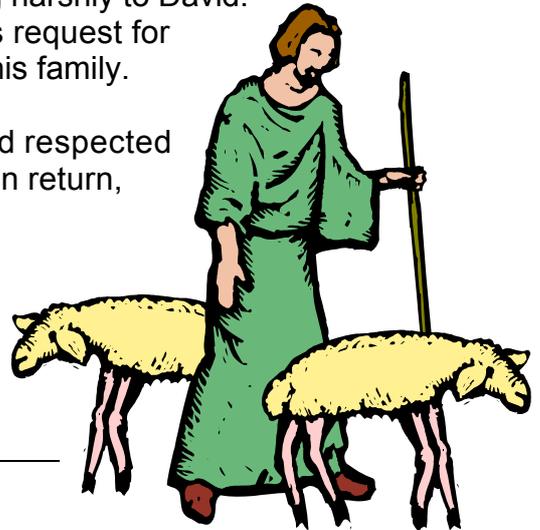
Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for evil is determined against our master, and against all his household: for he is such a son of BELIAL, THAT A MAN CANNOT SPEAK TO HIM.

1 Samuel 25:25

*Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard **this man of Belial**, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is with him:...*

The name *Nabal* means base, churl, fool, or brute. Nabal, the husband of Abigail, endangered his whole family by speaking harshly to David. David was so angered by Nabal's response to his request for assistance that he determined to kill Nabal and his family.

David had protected Nabal's possessions and had respected his shepherds who watched his sheep. Nabal, in return, disrespected David by answering him harshly.



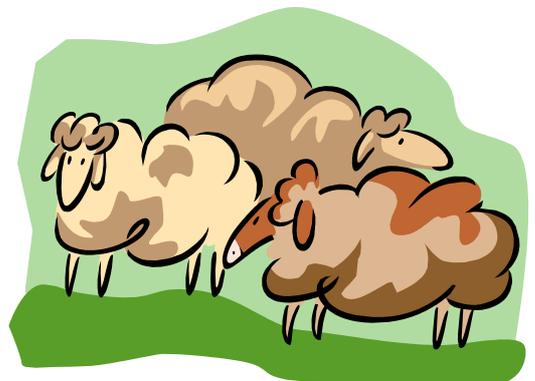
1 Samuel 25:10

*And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, **Who is David?** and, who is the son of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break away every man from his master.*

This is another example of how the spirit of Belial causes men to disrespect the Lord's anointed. Nabal said, "Who is David?"

Everyone in Israel knew who David was. He was the champion of Israel. He had delivered them from the hands of the Philistines by defeating Goliath. However, Nabal accused David of being a rebellious servant. 1 Samuel 25:14 says, "... he railed on them." This is speaking of Nabal's treatment of the servants of David. He treated them with contempt. He insulted them. He scoffed at them. He flared out at them.

Nabal was a wealthy man, yet he refused to give to the Lord's anointed. The Word of God says he was "very great" (1 Samuel 25:2). He possessed "three thousand sheep and a thousand goats".



The name Nabal means "churl". Webster's definition of *churl* means "a rude, ill-bred person, or stingy morose person." To be *churlish* means to be vulgar, ill-natured, difficult to work with or deal with.

Abigail referred to her husband as a "man of Belial". She knew that her husband was unapproachable and that no one could speak to him. The Rotherham translation says, "*he is such an abandoned man, that one cannot speak to him.*"

The Basic English version says, "he is such a good-for-nothing person." The Know version says, "he is so cross-grained a man that there is no reasoning with him." The word "cross-grained" means difficult to deal with.

As much as we like to see good in everyone, there are unfortunately people in the world like Nabal. Can you imagine what Abigail had to deal with being married to this man? It was only because of her wisdom that her life and the lives of her loved ones were saved. She is an example of the power of *intercession*.



1 Samuel 25:38

And it came to pass about ten days after, that the Lord smote Nabal, and he died.

The American Translation says, "*the Lord inflicted a stroke upon.*" This was after Nabal held a feast in his home, like the feast of a king. He was a stingy, selfish, and irreverent man. He did not respect the anointing upon King David. The Lord's judgment came upon him, and he died. David stated:



"...for the Lord hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head" (1 Samuel 25:39).

8. BELIAL: CURSING GOD'S ANOINTED

2 Samuel 16:5-7

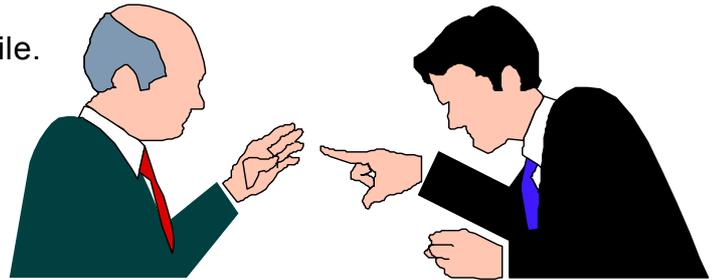
*And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, the son of Gera: he came forth, and **cursed** still as he came.*

*And he **cast stones at David**, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left
And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou bloody man, and **thou man of Belial**:*

Shimei was calling king David a worthless man. The Basic English version says, "You good for nothing." David was fleeing from his rebellious son, Absalom, when he encountered Shimei.

Shimei was from the family of the house of Saul and was no doubt angry at the fact that David had succeeded Saul as king. This is just like the enemy to accuse God's anointed. The Pharisees said Jesus cast out devils by Beelzebub.

They were accusing him of using Satan's power to deliver people. To call someone a "man of Belial" is to call them worthless, no good, wicked, base and vile. Shimei was accusing David of being a rebellious murderer who was responsible for Saul's fall. This is another example of how this spirit will attack and accuse the Lord's anointed.



2 Samuel 19:21

But Abishai the son of Zeruah answered and said, Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, BECAUSE HE CURSED THE LORD'S ANOINTED?

After David was returned to his position in Jerusalem, Shimei came to him and repented of what he said. Abishai desired to have him put to death for cursing the Lord's anointed. David, however, had mercy upon Shimei and did not put him to death.

David understood the judgment that would come upon those who touched the Lord's anointed. He refused to touch Saul even though his life was in danger. In the case of Shimei, mercy prevailed even judgment because of Shimei's *repentant* attitude.

Strong intercessors help cover the men and women of God from the attacks of Belial. A *curse* is an evil word spoken against a person or a thing. Words spoken against the servants of God are spiritual arrows sent by the enemy to hurt and destroy. They are what the Word refers to as the 'very darts of the wicked' (Ephesians 6:16).

David understood the spiritual warfare the Lord's anointed must face when men curse. David prays in **Psalm 64:2-3**,

"Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity. Who whet their tongue like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot their arrows, even bitter words:"

These words are *witchcraft attacks* against the servants of the Lord. They are spiritual missiles directed towards the Lord's anointed. Life and death are in the power of the tongue (Proverbs 18:21). This is one of the methods Belial uses to direct his assault against the servants of the Lord.



9. BELIAL: UNTHOUGHTFUL AND INCONSIDERATE

1 Samuel 30:22

Then answered all the WICKED MEN AND MEN OF BELIAL, of those that went with David, and said, Because they went not with us, we will not give them ought of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead them away, and depart.

After David pursued the Amalekites from Ziklag and recovered the spoil, certain men of Belial manifested a selfish attitude toward the ones who could not continue in the battle because of weariness. David's attitude was to part the spoil equally among all the army.

David considered all of those in his band. **The men of Belial were selfish** and only concerned about themselves. Belial causes men to be selfish and unconcerned about others. This was the same attitude manifested by Nabal. He was **greedy** and **selfish** and manifested an attitude that was worthless.



The Knox translation calls them "*churlish, graceless fellows.*" Webster defines *graceless* as "immoral, unregenerate, devoid of attractive qualities." On the other hand, to be *gracious* means to be considerate or thoughtful.

Those influenced and controlled by Belial are **inconsiderate** and **unthoughtful** about the needs and condition of others. The apostle Paul mentioned men who were **without natural affection, implacable, and unmerciful.**

The Weymouth translation says, "*without affection, and without pity.*" Moffat says, "*calloused, merciless.*" Goodspeed says, "*unloving and un pitying.*" The Revised Standard says, "*heartless and ruthless.*"

COLD LOVE

Matt. 24:12

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

This is a condition known as **cold love**. This is the result of iniquity. The word "iniquity" in this verse means *lawlessness*. Iniquity causes men to lose their compassion and tenderness. It causes men to become calloused and merciless. Other spirits that work with "cold love" are **betrayal** and **treachery**. These are end-time spirits.

Belial is an *end-time* spirit that will cause iniquity and lawlessness to abound. "End-time" does not mean this spirit has not been in existence before. It simply means it will be in strong manifestation in the last days. Other terms to describe *cold love* are: to be pitiless, ruthless, have no compassion, have no pity, show no mercy, harden one's heart.

10. THE FLOODS OF BELIAL

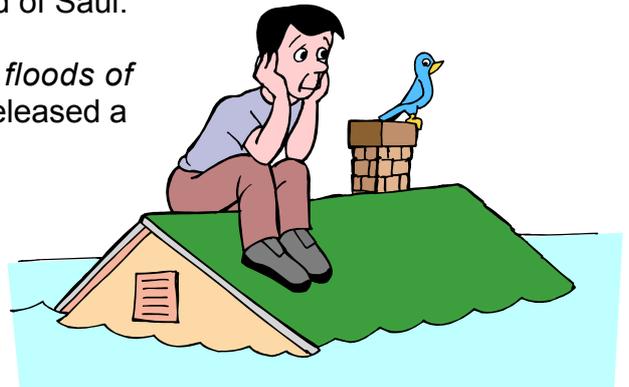
2 Sam. 22:5

When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

The literal translation of this verse is "**the floods of Belial**". This verse is a portion of a song David sang in the day the Lord delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul.

The American Standard version says, "*the floods of ungodliness made me afraid.*" Belial has released a flood of ungodliness upon our nation.

Ungodly is defined as denying God or disobedient to Him: impious, irreligious, contrary to moral law, sinful, wicked.



Belial is responsible for the flood of ungodliness manifested through Hollywood, television, and the **mass media**. Belial is responsible for **rebellion** and **disobedience to God**. This spirit has caused many to be irreligious and impious.

No reverence – no fear of God – is the result of Belial's influence. To *flood* means to cover, to inundate, and to fill abundantly or excessively. Belial desires to cover the earth with filth and immorality. This flood also includes the persecution that comes against the Lord's anointed, David.

Belial desires to **murder** and **destroy** the Lord's anointed. He is a strongman that attacks ministers and churches. The American translation says, "*the torrents of perdition assailed me.*" We find that the word *torrent* is defined as "an outpouring, a rush."



Perdition means **destruction**. Spirits of *death and destruction* work with Belial to assail the servants of God. We have already seen that Jezebel works under Belial to destroy true servants of God. Lies, slander, seduction, lust, and pride are all weapons used against the Lord's anointed.

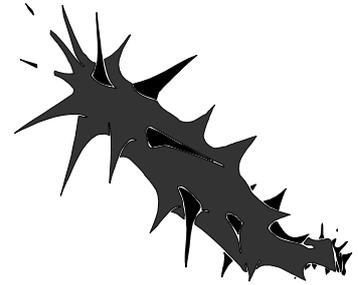
It is important to intercede against Belial's work. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him. The Lord will lift up a standard against the **floods of Belial**. The prayers and intercessions of God's people will be a standard against this flood.

11. COMING AGAINST BELIAL

1 Samuel 23:6, 7

But the SONS OF BELIAL shall be all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands:

But the man that shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place.



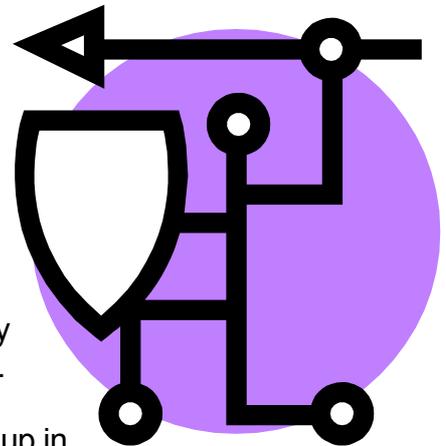
This verse compares the "sons of Belial" to **thorns** that cannot be handled. Those who deal with Belial "must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear." A *thorn* is something that causes distress or irritation. To be *thorny* means to be **full of difficulties** or **controversial points**.

This verse pronounces the judgment upon Belial and those who follow him: *"they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place."* This is a reference to eternal damnation in hell-fire. I believe that Belial is a spirit that will cause many to **die lost and spend eternity in hell**.



"Fenced with iron and the staff of a spear" is a reference to putting on the whole armor of God. We cannot deal with this spirit without the whole armor of God.

The Lord is raising up intercessors and preachers to come against this spirit in the last days. This is an *end-time spirit* assigned to corrupt the earth, but the Lord has an *end-time people* to combat him. The Young Literal translation says, *"And the man who cometh against them."*



David had to fight and overcome the men controlled by Belial. David is a type of the New Testament church.

He is a type of the prophetic church the Lord is raising up in this hour. Just as David overcame, we will also overcome this end-time spirit.

We will not handle this spirit with our natural hands; he is too thorny and difficult for that. But we must and will attack him in the power of the Spirit, wearing the whole armor of God.

12. BELIAL AND SPIRITS OF INFIRMITY

Psalm 41:8

An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him: and now that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

This verse literally reads, "a thing of Belial cleaveth unto him." Fatal diseases were considered a thing of Belial. The Revised Standard version says, "A deadly thing has fastened upon him; he will not rise again where he lies."

Belial also has a host of **spirits of infirmity and sickness** that operate under him. Wherever there is immorality, there will be sickness and disease. These are curses that come upon those who are perverse and crooked. Remember, Belial desires to draw men into sin, immorality and perversion in order to bring the curse of the Lord upon a nation.



Whore-mongers and adulterers, God will judge (Hebrews 13:4). It is possible that AIDS is a thing of Belial that cleaves unto a person. AIDS is undoubtedly the result of sin, homosexuality, fornication, perversion, and drug abuse. AIDS is fatal and in the natural, there is no cure. The Taylor translation says, "It's fatal, whatever it is." They say, "He'll never get out of that bed!"

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The context of Psalm 41 is again the attacks of Belial against David, the Lord's anointed. David states, "All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise my hurt" (Psalm 41:7). Again Belial is mentioned in this context.

I believe that as an end-time spirit, Belial has been released by the enemy to attack **ministry gifts**. These can also include attacks of **witchcraft** against true servants of the Lord, which often manifest through **sickness**. Leaders need strong prayer support against these spirits that are released under the strongman, Belial, who hates and seeks to destroy ministry gifts.



13. BELIAL AND PORNOGRAPHY

Psalm 101:3

I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside, it shall not cleave to me,

The Harrison translation says, "I will not have anything unworthy in my presence..."

This shows us the attitude and abhorrence we as people of God should have toward anything related to Belial. Anything base, vile, unworthy, unclean, ungodly, contemptible, wicked, blasphemous or shameful, we should **resist** and **abhor**.

We are to abhor that which is evil, and cleave to that which is good. *Abhor* is a strong word. It means to regard with extreme repugnance, to loathe; to turn aside or keep away from especially in scorn or shuddering fear, to reject, to hate.

This verse can apply to the present day **rise of pornography** and the **sexual filth** that Belial is flooding our nation with. One of the vilest forms of pornography is "kiddie porn" which is a thriving business supported by pedophiles. *Pedophilia* is sexual perversion in which children are the preferred sexual object.



Most countries have obscenity laws that are being challenged by those who feel as if government should provide no constraint.

Obscenity is defined as the state of being obscene. *Obscene* means disgusting to the senses, repulsive, abhorrent to morality or virtue (Webster).

Pornography opens the door for a host of evil spirits of lust and perversion. There has also been a connection between pornography and rape in some studies. I believe Belial is a ruling spirit over spirits of **pornography, whoredom, prostitution** and other sexual spirits.



Sexual impurity is another strong spirit that is under his control including spirits of **homosexuality** and **lesbianism** (perversion). If this spirit can pervert the morals of a nation through sexual immorality, he can bring the judgment and curse of the Lord upon a nation.

14. BELIAL AND WICKED PLOTS

Proverbs 16:27

An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire

The American Standard Version says, "A worthless man deviseth mischief..." The Berkeley version says, "A worthless man plots harm..." To devise means to plan to bring about. A plot is a secret plan for accomplishing a usually evil or unlawful end.



Belial causes men to plan and plot that which is evil. Psalm 37:12 says, "the wicked plotteth against the just. " There are people involved in forms of witchcraft that are planning to destroy the Church. We have heard reports of witches fasting to break up marriages of Christian leaders and to disrupt the Church.

It is almost hard to believe that there are actually people this wicked. I believe it because the Word of God states it. Most people would be shocked to know the types of gross sins and plots taking place behind closed doors.



Psalm 37:32 says, "The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him. " The Berkeley translation says, "The wicked lies in wait for the righteous, and seeks to put him to death ..." The New American Bible says, The wicked man spies on the just and seeks to slay him. "

What a sobering thought! No wonder the Word of God admonishes us to be *sober and vigilant*. **Belial will influence men to plot against the righteous.**

15. THE MIND OF BELIAL: LAWLESSNESS AND REBELLION

Nahum 1:11

There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the Lord, a wicked counsellor.

The Jerusalem translation says, "From you has sprung one who plots evil against Yahweh, a man with the MIND OF BELIAL. "

Nahum is prophesying judgment against Nineveh and the Assyrian Empire. The king of Assyria was actually plotting against the Lord. The Taylor translation says, *'Who is this king of yours who dares plot against the Lord?'*

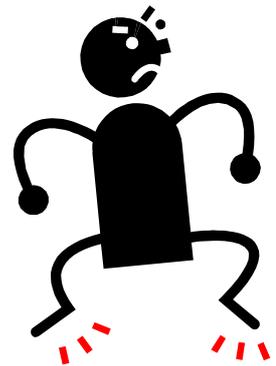
This is the spirit of *Antichrist*.

Psalm 2:2-3 says, *"The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us."*

There you have it, the ultimate goal of Belial – TO CAST OFF RESTRAINT. The Church is the restraining force in the earth against the filth and ungodliness Belial desires to flood upon the earth.

The Amplified Bible says, *"and cast their cords (of control) from us."* These are the spirits of *lawlessness and rebellion*. Where there is no law, people run wild.

A society that rejects the Bible as its moral authority will eventually have problems with its judicial system. Belial hates the restraining power of the Bible, the Holy Spirit and the Church. This is why he attacks them so viciously.



Belial desires immorality and ungodliness to reign without any restraint. Belial is responsible for an attack upon our judicial system: Laws against homosexuality, lesbianism, prostitution and adultery, which were once a part of our legal code, are now removed.

Homosexuals believe they have a right to live ungodly lifestyles. Many are clamoring, "Leave me alone, and let me do what I want. I don't want any preacher to tell me what is right and wrong;" and, "Separation of church and state, take prayer out of the schools." This is all an attempt **to cast off restraint**.

16. BELIAL AND UNGODLY SOUL TIES

2 Corinthians 6:14,15

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

*And what concord hath **Christ with Belial**? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?*

When there is an unequal yoke between believers and unbelievers, we call this an *ungodly soul tie*. **Breaking ungodly soul ties is a key to deliverance**. Ungodly association causes evil spirits to be transferred. If Belial cannot directly control you, he will influence you through ungodly association.

Associating with the wrong people can cause you to receive an *evil transfer* of spirits. One of the keys to being delivered from Belial's control is to break every ungodly soul tie and obey the Word of God which says, "*be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers.*"

The Williams translation says, "*STOP forming intimate and inconsistent relations with unbelievers.*" This is the only time the name "Belial" is mentioned in the New Testament. I believe the Spirit of God chose this word to bring revelation to a spirit that the church **must not, in any way**, be in fellowship with.

Verse 15 ties Belial with unrighteousness, darkness, infidels, and idolatry. The first reference to Belial in the Word of God ties him to **idolatry**. The Corinthians had been saved from a lifestyle of idolatry.

As stated before, I believe that Belial is an end-time spirit that will be an enemy of the Church. We are to separate ourselves from all uncleanness and filthiness that is associated with this ruling spirit.

The church at Corinth also had a problem with carnality. There was strife, envy, contention, sexual impurity, and even drunkenness taking place within the church. The apostle Paul wrote the letter to Corinth to correct these problems and to set things in order.

TOUCH NOT THE UNCLEAR THING

2 Corinthians 6:17

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

The Corinthians had come out of a lifestyle of idolatry. Paul admonishes them to separate themselves completely from their former lifestyle and to TOUCH NOT THE UNCLEAR THING.

The Knox version says, "*and do not even touch what is unclean...*" As believers, we are not to TOUCH what is unclean. There are unclean spirits attached to what is unclean. The word *unclean* is defined as that which is *dirty and filthy*.

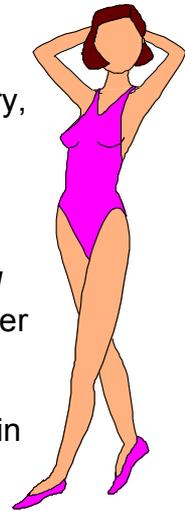
Idolatry is unclean. It is considered spiritual whoredom and adultery. It is departing from the Lord and breaking covenant. As the Lord's people, we are to keep ourselves away from all that is unclean.

Belial is associated with uncleanness. According to Galatians 5:19, uncleanness is a work of the flesh. We are not to allow uncleanness to be named once among us as saints (Ephesians 5:3). God has not called us unto uncleanness but unto HOLINESS (1 Thessalonians 4:7). These verses tie uncleanness to *fornication*.

Fornication is from the Greek word *porneia* meaning harlotry, adultery, incest, and idolatry. There was a man in Corinth that was guilty of sexual relations with his father's wife (1 Corinthians 5:11).

The Taylor translation says, "*something so wicked that even the heathen don't do it...*" The Phillips version says, "*immorality of a kind that even pagans condemn...*" This man was judged and turned over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh.

Again, the only time Belial is mentioned in the New Testament is in Paul's second letter to Corinth. Belial was obviously strong in the city of Corinth, and he was operating within the Church!



According to **2 Corinthians 7:1**, we are to **cleanse ourselves from all filthiness** of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. We must *loose ourselves* from Belial's influence if we are to live lives pleasing to God. **We must bind the strongman Belial and spoil his goods!**

Following is a list of spirits operating under Belial that we can attack and cast out.

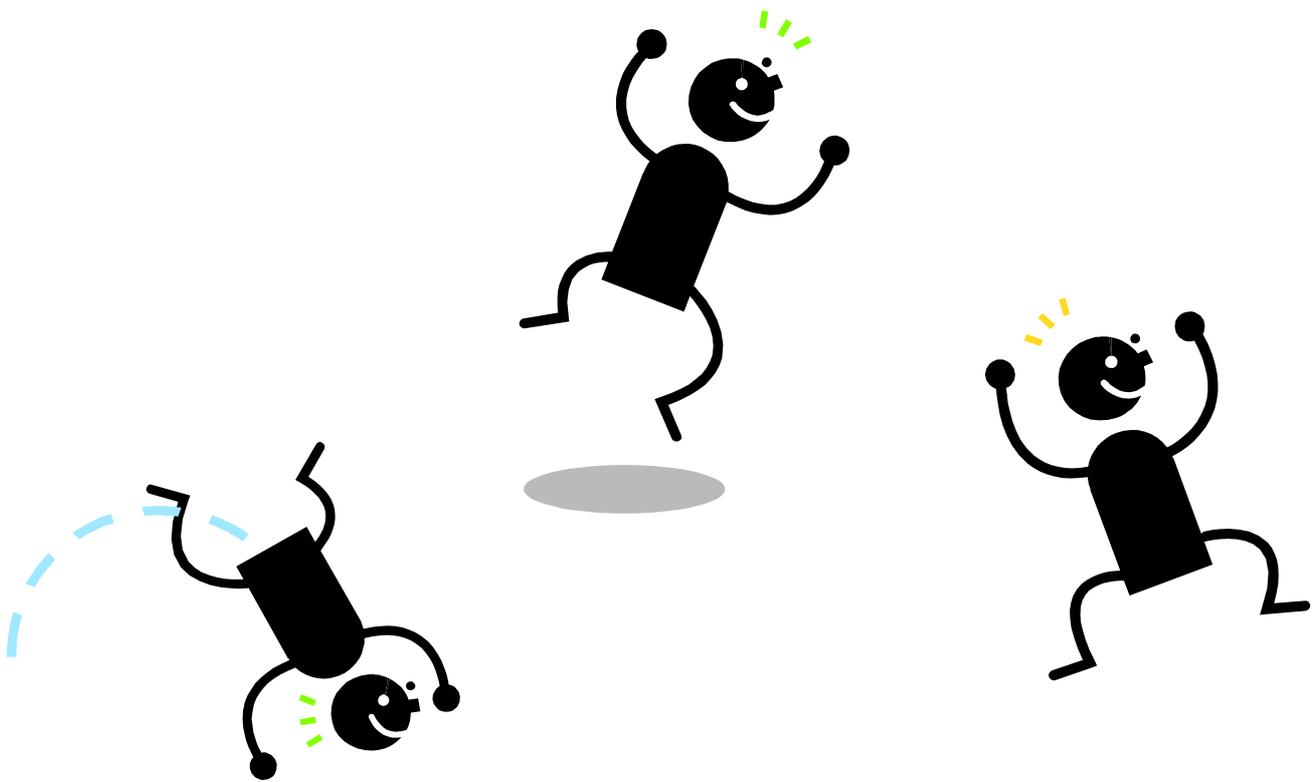
Spirits under the Strongman of Belial:

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| Uncleanness | Perversion | Free love |
| Cold love | Death | Sorcerv |
| Adultery | Lawlessness | Prostitution |
| Infirmity | Abuse | Iniquity |
| Rape | Harlotry | Idolatry |
| Molestation | Implacable | Drunkenness |
| Rebellion | Pornography | Lying |
| Jezebel | Obscenity | Debauchery |
| Whoredom | Shameless | Homosexuality |
| Unmerciful | Lust | Delusion |
| Irreverence | Deception | Backsliding |
| Alcohol | Witchcraft | Drug addiction |
| Immodest | Heresy | Hardness of |
| Immorality | Filthiness | Sexual impurity |
| Apostasy | Betraval | Seared |
| Sodomy | Incest | Doctrines of |
| Treachery | Sickness | False teaching |
| Fornication | Destruction | |
| Blasphemy | Lesbianism | |

Scripture References for Belial

Deuteronomy	13:13(14)	the children of <i>Belial</i> , (marg. naughty men)
	15:9	a thought of thy <i>wicked</i> heart
Judges	19:22	certain sons of <i>Belial</i>
	20:13	the children of <i>Belial</i>
1 Samuel	1:16	for a daughter of <i>Belial</i>
	2:12	the sons of Eli (were) sons of <i>Belial</i>
	10:27	But the children of <i>Belial</i> said
	25:17	for he (is such) a son of <i>Belial</i>
	25:25	regard this man of <i>Belial</i>
	30:22	and (men) of <i>Belial</i>
2 Samuel	16:7	thou man of <i>Belial</i>
	20:1	be there a man of <i>Belial</i>
	22:5	the floods of <i>ungodly men</i> (marg. Belial)
	23:6	But (the sons) of <i>Belial</i>
1 Kings	21:10	set two men, sons of <i>Belial</i>
	21:13	two men, children of <i>Belial</i> the men of <i>Belial</i> witnessed
2 Chronicles	13:7	vain men, the children of <i>Belial</i>
Job	34:18	say to a king, (Thou art) <i>wicked</i> ?
Psalms	18:4(5)	floods of <i>ungodly men</i> (marg. Belial)
	41:8(9)	An <i>evil</i> disease, (say they), cleaveth fast (marg. A thing of Belial)
	101:3	I will set no <i>wicked</i> thing before (marg. thing of Belial)

Proverbs	6:12	<i>A naughty person</i>
	16:27	An <i>ungodly</i> man diggeth up evil (marg. A witness of Belial)
	19:28	An <i>ungodly</i> witness scorneth (marg. A witness of Belial)
Nahum	1:11	<i>a wicked</i> counsellor (marg. counsellor of Belial)
	1:15 (2:1)	the <i>wicked</i> shall no more pass
2 Corinthians	6:15	what concord hath Christ with <i>Belial</i>



SECTION B: HOW BELIAL OPERATES

Belial's attacks against ministers, pastors and leaders.

Manifestations:

Belial puts a veil over the people of God to divide, separate and break unity. Where unity is broken, power and authority is broken.

Healing and deliverance cannot come. We are crippled in our ability to take authority over the enemy.



KEY: How to deal with Belial

It will either break you or you can choose to be broken. You must choose to love (the Body of Christ that gets under the influence of Belial) unconditionally.

THE ATTACK:

There comes a demonic outpouring to destroy relationships. Also a demonic outpouring to bring **infirmary** on the Body – to weaken us through sickness and accidents.

Strategy of Belial:

Satanist fast and pray to release demons against leaders in the Body of Christ to get people to turn against each other.

Spirits work through people to work divination, soulish covenants, bitterness, etc. These are places in the children of God where the walls and gates are broken down – weaknesses – and it is through those places that the enemy can get to us and work through us because of them.

Belial, the accuser of the brethren, comes in and brings defilement that can destroy life-long friendships and ministries overnight.

Belial means **to fail**, to **wear out**, to **decay**. Constant issues in relationships wear you out. You get so worn-out that you respond in the flesh and not out of the spirit. He also uses sickness and pain to wear you out. Belial is a prince of a very high order that is out to destroy relationships.

As the Body of Christ we need to discern this spirit, stand together against it and refuse to let our relationships be destroyed.



Paul taught us that spiritual warfare is experienced in the church through relationships. The enemy uses people to cause other people to get irritated and upset, bring division and strife and break unity so that there is no authority or power.

Covenant relationships are so important in the Church. Make a covenant with each other to be a people who will reconcile our differences. We need to get to know each other – not by the flesh, but by the spirit. Look beyond the flesh and stop judging each other.

Know that deep down inside each person has a heart that really loves God. Be careful of taking offence!



THE CONSPIRACY OF JEZEBEL AND BELIAL

1 Kings 21:9-13

*"9 And in the letters she said, **Proclaim a fast** and set Naboth up high among the people.*

*10 And set two men, base fellows (sons of Belial), before him, and let them **bear witness against him**, saying, You cursed and renounced God and the king. Then carry him out and stone him to death.*

11 And the men of his city, the elders and the nobles who dwelt there, did as Jezebel had directed in the letters sent them.

12 They proclaimed a fast and set Naboth on high among the people.

*13 Two base fellows came in and sat opposite him and they charged Naboth before the people, saying, Naboth cursed and renounced God and the king. Then he was carried out of the city and **stoned to death.**"*

Jezebel proclaims a fast – this is a **demonic fast**. Naboth had a vineyard that Ahab wanted and Jezebel was going to get it for him. Naboth was a Godly man.

Jezebel sends two men, sons of Belial, to bring **false witness** against Naboth. They then stoned him outside of the city and he died. Belial's purpose is to kill and destroy us.

When the sons of Belial speak through someone, it is so **defiling** that it can turn a whole congregation against the pastor. It can turn a whole city against Godly men and women. Sons of Belial speak against pastors, ministries and leaders to **defile** them with **lies** and **deceit – false witnesses**.

Look at the pattern and you see that it is **the accuser of the brethren** that's at work. If you listen to someone who has that kind of spirit, you will also be defiled. What happens is that you will get very angry every time you think of the person that they're talking about. By the fact that the **anger** is there, you know that it is demonic!



The anger is a sure indication that Belial is at work. It causes lying, stirs your emotions up to anger and murder, gives false testimony, misinterprets and has an extremely strong influence.

We must discern Belial!

Belial is normally very Charismatic and comes across so strongly to literally overwhelm people and sway them to their thinking. They operate through soul power and not through Holy Spirit power.

There is a type of people that are particularly vulnerable to this spirit.

2 Chron. 13:7 *"7 And there gathered to him worthless men, base fellows (sons of Belial), who strengthened themselves against Rehoboam son of Solomon when Rehoboam was **young [as king], irresolute, and inexperienced and did not withstand them with firmness and strength.**"*

This is a manifestation of Belial that operates through the soul realm and is driven by a demonic spirit to sway people in ungodly ways.

The people that Belial will attack are young in the Lord, who are tender-hearted and really open to the Lord, wanting to do the right thing.

But because they're young, they do not have the strength and are unable to withstand this kind of spirit.

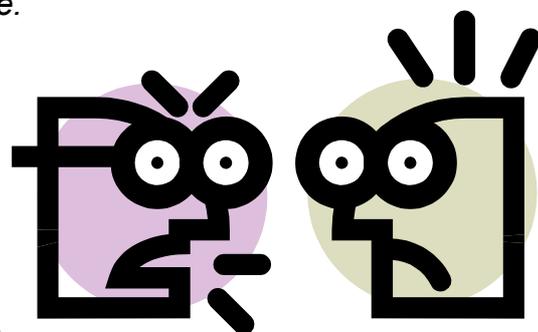
Belial knows where those people are spiritually and he goes after them to get them. He goes into a congregation and stirs things up and keeps things stirred up.



As the people who are being used by Belial moves around the congregation, they will stir people up as they move. They leave the one stirred-up group, move on to the next group and there they stir up each group as they go.

Remember: It may not be a conscious thing: *“I’m going to this congregation, to stir up everybody and cause them to work against each other, work against the pastor and cause chaos to break out everywhere.”*

Wherever they go there will be criticism coming out of their mouths. It will be very subtle – something like: *“I don’t mean to say something about the pastor / (or anyone else), but...”*



It can sound very mild, not too bad, etc. but the seeds of defilement have been sown. All of a sudden you start to look at the pastor / leader with a jaundice eye. Or you look at each other with a jaundice eye. The purpose of the spirit of Belial is to defile the Body.

Be careful not to be a carrier of this spirit!

BELIAL SCORNS AND REJECTS AUTHORITY

Jude 8 *“Nevertheless in like manner, these dreamers also corrupt the body, **scorn and reject authority** and government, revile and libel and scoff at [heavenly] glories (the glorious ones).”*

*“I agree with the pastor, **but** I have a better idea.”*

*“I agree with the pastor, **but** I think we should do it this way.”*

Their mouths are full of “buts” and they’ll make sure their “butts” will get through! They will not lay down their agenda and they will make sure that their agenda gets pushed through. If they cannot get it through they will look until they find a church where they will get their agenda through.

They reject authority and speak evil of leaders.

Jude 16 *“These are **inveterate murmurers** (grumblers) who complain [of their lot in life], **going after their own desires** [controlled by their passions]; their talk is boastful and arrogant, [and they **claim to**] **admire men’s persons** and **pay people flattering compliments** to **gain advantage**.”*

They try to get people swayed towards them so that they get an advantage. They will be people who will gather a group around them to get their agenda into the church.

They will develop a power structure on their own to oppose what the pastor / leaders say and to get their agenda into the church / ministry / mission organization.

These people have such strength in their human personality that they will pull you away even if you don't want to go. You get influenced to go in a way you would never have done if you were on your own.

For example:

Samson was constantly defiled by the sons of Belial.

Defilement is Bewitching

Gal. 3:1 *“1 O YOU poor and silly and thoughtless and unreflecting and senseless Galatians! Who has **fascinated or bewitched or cast a spell over you**, unto whom—right before your very eyes—Jesus Christ (the Messiah) was openly and graphically set forth and portrayed as crucified?”*

“Bewitched” – use ill words of another to slander, to bewitch by spells or by means of an evil eye.

How do seducing, deceiving spirits work?

1. There will be those who speak to you and they will defile you until you do what they want you to do.

You must discern this spirit working through those around you. It could be in your own family, school, church or work.



2. Bitterness.

Once a bitter person leaves you they have put seeds in you that can destroy you. If you're not aware of it, you will not know that they have deposited their evil seeds in you. It sets us up to develop a stronghold against the pastor / leader that was discussed by the bitter person.

Matt. 15:11 *“11 It is not what goes into the mouth of a man that makes him unclean and defiled, but what comes out of the mouth; this makes a man unclean and defiles [him].”*

What comes out of our mouths defiles others. It does not only defile me as an individual. We can be guilty of spreading defilement around by opening up our mouths against other people. What we are doing is everywhere we go we are planting seeds in people's hearts against the person that we are gossiping about. We are defiling many people. God want us to break company with this spirit.

Ps. 140:1-4 *“1 DELIVER ME, O Lord, from evil men; preserve me from violent men;
2 They devise mischiefs in their heart; continually they gather together and stir up wars.
3 They **sharpen their tongues like a serpent's; adders' poison is under their lips**. Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]!
4 Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent men **who have purposed to thrust aside my steps.**”*

This spirit of Belial working through evil people have purposed to:

- ❖ Trip me up
- ❖ Get me off-course in my ministry
- ❖ Abort me even from my family / church / position / etc.
- ❖ Destroy my relationships
- ❖ Do me in
- ❖ To kill me
- ❖ To kill others

We need to renounce this immediately when we discover that some defiled seed has been planted in our hearts.

The minute somebody leaves a defiled seed of deposit in you, you must call them into account. Do not let them get away with continuing to plant seeds of defilement in others.

Belial is at work in each other to destroy each other, to destroy ministries, etc. A lot of gossip will stop if we refuse to listen to it.



In Conclusion:

Rom. 16:17-18 *“17 I appeal to you, brethren, to be on your guard concerning those who create dissensions and difficulties and cause divisions, in opposition to the doctrine (the teaching) which you have been taught. [I warn you to turn aside from them, to] avoid them. 18 For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ but their own appetites and base desires, and by ingratiating and flattering speech, they beguile the hearts of the unsuspecting and simpleminded [people].”*

God says we must **mark** a divisive man. Turn aside from them and avoid them. They beguile the hearts of the unsuspecting and simple-minded people.

As leaders we need to discern how this spirit operates in our midst and stand together in UNITY to resist, expose and dispel Belial from the people God has entrusted to our care.

May God increase our anointing, our discernment, and authority to war against the spirit of Belial in Jesus Name!



SECTION C: PETITION AGAINST BELIAL

Abba Father, God of Israel, I come to You in the Name of Your Son, Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I honor You as my Sovereign King. You are the Only All-powerful and Only Wise God. You are kind and loving in all Your ways. I love You and I thank You that I am united with Jesus and spiritually alive in Him.

Father, I come before You and I want to repent for every time that I and my forefathers allowed the spirit of Belial to work through us.

Father, we bring before You our **weaknesses** where our walls and gates were broken down which allowed Belial to have access to us and to work through us. Because of these weaknesses, we petition that You will help us to identify these places and that You will give us the strategy to close the gates and build up the broken down walls.

Lord, forgive us for not discerning this spirit of Belial every time that we were influenced through **gossip and slander**. We ask Your forgiveness for being a channel through which Belial could continue to sow evil seeds of **division and strife**. We ask that You will please uproot all of the evil seed that was sown into our hearts through this spirit and we ask You to destroy the evil seed that we have spoken with our mouths against any person in the Body of Christ.

We petition against every characteristic of Belial in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Where Belial has used **seduction** and has led many away to **disobedience or disloyalty** to the Truth of Your Word.

We want to petition against the **demonic agreement** between Belial and the spirit of Jezebel. We petition against their conspiracy and we cancel all agreements between the daughters of Jezebel and the sons of Belial, in Jesus Name. We speak total confusion into their ranks and we ask You, Father, that they will turn upon each other and destroy each other. (Remember, we are not fighting against flesh and blood!)

We petition against the spirits of **fornication and adultery** that have been released by Belial and has influenced our lives and the lives of our loved ones in any way. We ask You, Father, to break any soul tie with Belial and we speak disharmony between ourselves and Belial in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

We petition against the spirits of **sodomy, homosexuality, lesbianism, incest, rape, and all kinds of perversions** that Belial and Jezebel introduced into our lives and the lives of our loved ones.

Father, we bring before You every time that we have not listened to Your warnings and where we allowed the spirit of Belial to **sear our consciences**. We petition that You will bring back the life to our cauterized consciences so that we will again become sensitive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our lives when He warns us of sin that we could be involved in.

Father, we bring before You all defilement that has come from Belial through the spirits of **rape and sexual abuse** in our lives and the lives of our loved ones. We ask You, Lord, to please remove all trauma from our cells and our DNA and to cast out the **spirit of death** that came in during the violation. We ask You, Father, to please breathe over us – body, soul and spirit – and to resurrect all areas of our being back to life, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Lord, we ask You to remove from us the spirits that were transferred to us through this violation, namely spirits of **rape, incest, molestation, sexual abuse, sexual impurity, uncleanness, filthiness, sodomy and perversion**, in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Father, we petition against the spirits of **alcohol and drunkenness** that has worked through ourselves and our loved ones and we ask Your forgiveness for giving our bodies over as a temple of Belial. We ask forgiveness where our morals were broken down and where we opened up to **lust and perversion** through the use of alcohol. We ask for forgiveness for opening the door for spirits of rape (including date rape) that are connected to the spirit of perversion and drunkenness. Lord, we petition and ask You to please cleanse us from every vile act that was committed by ourselves and our loved ones.

Father, we confess and repent before You for allowing the works of Belial to bring **sexual uncleanness** into the Body of Christ. We ask forgiveness where people in leadership positions, as well as in full-time ministry capacity, has allowed the spirit of Belial to bring ungodly affections and committed fornication, adultery, homosexuality and lesbianism that has brought the curse of God upon us and our loved ones. In the Name of Jesus, we ask You Lord, to please remove this curse of judgment that has come upon us in the Name of the Lord Jesus.

Father, we bring before You every time that we and our loved ones **rejected and despised the Lord's anointed servants**. We repent of all disrespect and contempt showed towards Your leaders. Lord, we repent for every time that we did not support men and women that was sent by the Lord. We ask forgiveness for withholding any **financial support**. We ask forgiveness for being used by Belial as a hindrance to the work of the Lord by not being sensitive and open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit when the servant of the Lord needed finances. We repent of being **stingy and self-centered**. We ask You, Father, to please break every curse that has come upon our finances because of this sin.

Father, we petition for the men and women of God that have come under the attacks of Belial and we want to stand in the gap and fight with the shield of faith against every **fiery dart of the wicked one**. In the Name of the Lord Jesus we want to cancel every attack of witchcraft. We cancel every **secret council** of the wicked and we bind the demons that have been assigned to their **deadly words of conspiracy** against God's anointed in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

Father, we bring before You the condition of our hearts and we ask Your forgiveness where our **love has grown cold** because we have allowed Belial to influence us. We ask forgiveness for every act of betrayal and treachery against any person in the Body of Christ by ourselves and our loved ones. We ask forgiveness, Lord, where our hearts have become **pitiless, ruthless, without compassion and showing no mercy**. We petition before You to please remove the heart of stone and to give us a heart of flesh. Lord, please light the fire of Your Love in our hearts again!

Father, we petition against the **floods of Belial** and we ask You to please protect us against the flood of ungodliness that we are experiencing every day through movies, television and mass media. We ask forgiveness for every act of **rebellion and disobedience** to Your Word in the Name of Jesus.

We ask You, Father, to please protect us against this **flood of filth and immorality** coming from Belial in the Name of Jesus. Lord, we ask for protection against the **spirits of death and destruction** that work with Belial to destroy true servants of God. We petition against all the **lies**, the **slander**, the **seduction**, the **lust and the pride** in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Lord, we thank You that Your Word promises us that when the enemy comes in like a flood, the spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against Him. We ask You, Holy Spirit, to lead us in prayer and intercession against the floods of Belial.

Lord, we petition that You will give us clear strategy and Godly weapons to rise up against the spirit of Belial. We ask You to make us very sharp and discerning in the spirit so that we will be able to stand against every attack coming from Belial. Lord, **fence us with iron and give us the staff of a spear**, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth!

Father, we petition against the **spirits of infirmity** that works with Belial. We ask You, Lord, to heal the broken bodies of serious diseases where there is no cure, e.g. AIDS. We ask You to cut off the evil disease that cleaves itself unto God's children to make them so sick that they cannot get up from the sick bed anymore.

Lord, we petition against the attacks coming from Belial, wanting to stop the **ministry gifts** from flowing in the Body of Christ through any acts of witchcraft and sicknesses. In the Name of Jesus, we bind every **spirit of witchcraft and infirmity** and we command you to go to the Feet of the Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

Father, we petition against the **rise of pornography and sexual filth** that Belial is flooding our nation with. Any form of kiddie porn and pedophilia is a sexual perversion coming from Belial, and we petition for ourselves, children and loved ones, that we will be protected by the Name of the Lord – written on our foreheads.

Father, we petition against the spirit of Belial that wants to **cast off all restraint** that the church is representing in this world. We petition against the attack of Belial upon our judicial system where this spirit wants to remove the laws against **abortion, homosexuality, lesbianism, prostitution and adultery.**

Lord, we petition that You will send fresh **revival fire to Your church** and that the watchmen on the walls will **wake up from their slumber** and blow the shofar to warn the church against the attacks of Belial. We petition that the church will get back the **saltiness** of the Word and truly become the **Light** to the world as Jesus prayed.

Father, we break every **ungodly soul tie** that we and our loved ones have ever made with Belial and we ask You Lord in the Name of Jesus to destroy the **ungodly yoke** with the fire of God. We petition against every evil spirit that was transferred to us because of this ungodly association. We ask You, Father, to please show us clearly who the people are around us that are being used by the spirit of Belial, so that we can intercede for them to be set free.

Lord, we ask that You will help us to **not touch the unclean thing** according to Your warning in **2 Cor. 6:17**. We petition that You will help us by Your power to walk in holiness and to hate evil as You hate evil.

Lord, we choose to **cleanse ourselves from all filthiness** of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. In the Name of Jesus we loose ourselves from Belial's influence and we choose to live our lives pleasing to God.

AMEN.

SIGNED: _____
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ADDENDUM A: Zoophilia

The Relation between Non-heterosexuality and Zoophilia

In a sample of 114 male zoophiles obtained through a website that catered to a network of people sexually interested in animals, some were only attracted to a particular breed of a given animal, or only to male animals, or only to female animals, or to animals of both sexes. (1) 25% labeled themselves “heterosexual,” 17% “homosexual,” and 58% “bisexual.”

About half of the sample mentioned a “strong” sexual interest in humans; specifically, 17% were strongly interested in men, 17% in women, and 13% in both the sexes. Over their lifetime, 9% reported 10 or more women sex partners, 9% reported 10 or more men sex partners, and 17% reported no human partner ever.

In the year before their assessment, three-fourths reported no sex with a woman, almost two-thirds reported no sex with a man, 12% reported sex with a woman at least 20 times, and 12% reported sex with a man at least 20 times.

Men who preferred female animals were attracted to “sexy eyes,” “gait,” “wobble of the hip,” body shape, “gracefulness,” and “elegance.” Men who preferred male animals were attracted to muscularity, “smell of the genitalia,” and size of the genitalia and “assholes.”

Of 58 men who had had sex with a dog, 63% had received anal intercourse from dogs. Of 42 men who had had sex with a horse, 32% had received anal intercourse from horses. (1) The data suggest a relative under representation of exclusively heterosexual individuals among zoophilic men.

Table 1 suggests that both bisexuals and exclusive homosexuals are relatively overrepresented among men and women having sex with animals (see red row).

Table 1: Erotic interests in a sample of 158 men and 28 women engaging in sex with animals; several individuals possess multiple erotic orientations (data obtained from zoophilia.net). Note the red row.

		Men sexually interested in...				Women sexually interested in...			
		...both sexes	...men	...women	...none	...both sexes	...men	...women	...none
Orientation toward...	...humans	41 (26%)	16 (10%)	68 (43%)	32 (20%)	12 (43%)	13 (46%)	03 (11%)	0 (0%)
	...zoophilia	84	22	37	15	8	15	1	4
	...bestiality	63	29	22	42	2	17	2	7

Notes: The distinction between zoophilia and bestiality, according to the author, appears to involve emotional involvement; zoophilia referring to both emotional and physical involvement and bestiality referring to physical involvement only.

Many zoophiles feel jealous when it comes to someone else sexually sharing the animal partner they have sex with. (1) For instance, Earls and Lalumiere described a zoophilic man incarcerated for the fourth time for sexually violating a horse; all his prior offenses consisted of molesting a horse. (2)

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ADDENDUM B: HOMOSEXUAL DISEASES

Homosexual Behaviour Fuels – AIDS and STD Epidemic

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December, 2003 — The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) announced on November 26, 2003, that AIDS infections increased in 29 states in 2002 among Blacks, Latinos, and Homosexual and Bisexual men. The overall rate of increase was 5.1% over a four-year period between 1999-2002. Fifty-five percent of these infections are among Blacks; there was a 26% increase among Latinos; and a 17% increase among homosexuals and bisexuals.

There was a 7% increase in AIDS infections among non-homosexuals. These CDC statistics are published in the November 28 issue of *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)*.

Dr. John Diggs, Jr., has recently published statistics on the serious health consequences of engaging in homosexual sodomy. His report, "The Health Risks of Gay Sex," was published by the Corporate Resource Council. This report is downloadable at:

http://www.corporateresourcecouncil.org/white_papers/Health_Risks.pdf

Dr. Diggs notes that homosexual sodomy is an efficient transmitter of a whole range of STD's including AIDS. He also points out that human physiology makes it clear that **anal intercourse itself is an unhealthy practice that damages the body and can lead to serious health consequences—including anal cancer.** *"Unhealthy sexual behaviours occur among both heterosexuals and homosexuals. Yet the medical and social science evidence indicate that homosexual behaviour is uniformly unhealthy,"* observes Diggs.

The sexual activities engaged in by homosexuals inevitably lead to a whole range of viral and bacterial infections that can result in sterility, cancer, and death.

Sex among homosexual males typically includes:

- oral and anal sex; rimming (mouth-to-anus contact);
- fisting (insertion of the hand and arm into the rectum); golden showers (urination);
- insertion of objects such as bottles, flashlights, and even gerbils into the rectum;
- Sadoomasochism (beatings with whips, chains, etc.);
- and other practices.

These various behaviours cause trauma to the rectum, contribute to the spread of AIDS; increase incidences of oral and anal cancer; and result in serious infections due to the ingestion of faecal matter.

One of the largest surveys ever conducted of homosexual sex practices was published by two homosexual researchers in 1979. In *The Gay Report* by Jay and Young, 37% of homosexuals interviewed indicated they had engaged in sadomasochistic activities; 23% had been involved in “water sports,” (urinating on the sex partner); 4% had been involved in defecation; 11% had been involved in giving enemas to their sex partners.

Dr. Gisela L.P. Macphail, a physician at the University of Calgary in Canada, described the serious health risks of homosexual behaviour in a letter to the Calgary Board of Education in September, 1996. She is an epidemiologist and regularly treats AIDS patients.

According to Dr. Macphail, “*Any practice which facilitates direct or indirect oral-rectal contact will enable the spread of fecal and rectal micro-organisms to the sexual partner. Thus anilingus (rimming), a common practice among homosexual men, allows direct spread of pathogens such as Giardia, Entamoeba histolytica, and Hepatitis A and of the typical STD organisms such as herpes simplex and gonorrhea.*”

She warned the Calgary school district against promoting homosexual behaviour among school children because of the serious health risks.

In August, 1984, just three years after AIDS was diagnosed as a public health threat to homosexuals, columnist Patrick Buchanan and researcher Dr. J. Gordon Muir published an in-depth look at the “Gay” lifestyle and the diseases associated with it in *The American Spectator*. Writing in “Gay Times and Gay Diseases,” the authors described a series of serious diseases comprising the “Gay Bowel Syndrome.”

Those viruses, parasites, and bacteria resulting from homosexual sexual practices include:

- **Amebiasis**, a parasitic colon disease which causes dysentery and liver abscesses;
- **Giardiasis**, a parasite that causes diarrhoea;
- **Shigellosis**, another bowel disease causing dysentery,
- **Hepatitis A**, a viral liver disease spread by faecal contamination.

According to Buchanan and Muir, San Francisco saw a four-to-ten-fold increase in gay bowel diseases beginning in 1977. As long ago as 1988, San Francisco had a venereal disease infection rate 22 times the national average.

Anal Cancer — Dr. Stephen E. Goldstone, the medical director of GayHealth.com says he has found that 68% of HIV-positive and 45% of HIV negative homosexual males have abnormal or precancerous anal cells. A 1987 study, “Sexual Practices, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and the Incidences of Anal Cancer” in the *New England Journal of Medicine* concluded that “homosexual behavior in men increases the risk of anal cancer: 21 of the 57 men with anal cancer (37%) reported that they were homosexual or bisexual, in contrast to only 1 in 64 controls.”

HIV from Oral Sex — In August, 2001, researchers at the University of California released the results of a preliminary study of the risk of getting HIV from oral sex. They claimed that homosexuals are at a zero to 2% risk of getting HIV from oral sex. But a study released earlier in 2001 indicated that oral sex is implicated in at least 8% of HIV infections. This earlier study was published in February by the CDC and the University of California at San Francisco.

HIV from Anal Intercourse — In the U.S., anal intercourse continues to be the primary transmission route of HIV infection for homosexuals. The CDC says there are 40,000 new infections each year and the rate of infection is climbing because many younger homosexuals are engaging in risky behaviours.

Many have become complacent about the epidemic because of new drugs that control the progression of the disease. As a result, homosexuals are staying alive longer and infecting more individuals.

As of 1998, 54% of all HIV infections were homosexuals. An estimated 1 million Americans have been infected with HIV since it was first discovered in the early 1980s. Worldwide, 21 million people have died; 450,000 Americans have died so far from HIV-related diseases.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases — A 1999 study published in the *American Journal of Public Health* indicated that homosexuals are five times as likely to have **Hepatitis B** as their heterosexual counterparts. A 1999 study in *Sexually Transmitted Diseases* indicated that 25% of homosexuals have rectal **Gonorrhoea** and Gonorrhoea of the throat is prevalent because of oral sex practices. The book, *The Ins and Outs of Gay Sex: A Medical Handbook for Men* states that more than 50% of homosexual males have the **Human Papilloma Virus**. Homosexuals are acquiring **Syphilis** in record numbers.

The CDC released two reports on Syphilis in February, 2001. One report said that Syphilis rates had declined by 22% in the U.S. since 1997. The second indicated that Syphilis rates among homosexuals in Southern California had risen from 26% to 51% in one year. The report also noted that in Southern California alone, 60% of Syphilis-infected homosexuals were also HIV positive.

Tuberculosis — Homosexuals are at high risk for spreading Tuberculosis. In June-August 1998, the Baltimore Health Department tracked the spread of TB by four black trans-gendered homosexual prostitutes. They had infected 22 others with TB through their sexual activities. TB infection was also spread from Baltimore to New York City.

HOMOSEXUAL BEHAVIOUR IS UNSAFE AND SHOULD NOT BE PROMOTED AS A HEALTHFUL OR HARMLESS LIFESTYLE!

Dr. Diggs notes, *“A compassionate response to requests for social approval and recognition of GLB [gay, lesbian, bisexual] relationships is not to assure gays and lesbians that homosexual relationships are just like heterosexual ones, but to point out the health risks of gay sex and promiscuity. Approving same-sex relationships is detrimental to employers, employees, and society in general.”*

Homosexual sex leads to serious venereal diseases, anal and oral cancer, and death from HIV infection. This behaviour must be discouraged—not promoted as an alternative lifestyle. SODOMY KILLS.

TAKE ACTION! The next time your school officials are promoting homosexuality among children, provide them with a copy of this report. Distribute this to churches, political leaders, school officials, businessmen who are being urged to promote homosexuality. For additional updates on homosexual issues, go to the Traditional Values Coalition web site: www.traditionalvalues.org. TVC office: 139 C Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003; 202-547-8570; fax: 202-546-6403; email: tvcwashdc@traditionalvalues.org

Taken from: http://www.traditionalvalues.org/pdf_files/Diseases.pdf

The gay bowel syndrome: clinico- pathologic correlation in 260 cases

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The clinical and pathological findings in a group of 260 homosexual men comprising 10% of a private proctologic practice are reviewed. A clinical pattern of anorectal and colon diseases encountered with unusual frequency in these homosexual patients is termed the gay bowel syndrome.

The clinical diagnoses in decreasing order of frequency include condyloma acuminata, hemorrhoids, non-specific proctitis, anal fistula, perirectal abscess, anal fissure, amebiasis, benign polyps, viral hepatitis, gonorrhea, syphilis, anorectal trauma and foreign bodies, shigellosis, rectal ulcers and lymphogranuloma venereum.

60 anorectal and sigmoid biopsies from 51 patients failed to disclose evidence of specific infection other than condyloma acuminata.

Of 21 patients with biopsy diagnosis of non-specific proctitis, 8 had a specific infection which was detected by other means, 5 cases of shigellosis and one case each of gonorrheal proctitis, amebiasis and lymphogranuloma venereum.

In evaluating proctologic problems in the gay male, all of the known sexually transmitted diseases should be considered. Shigellosis, amebiasis and viral hepatitis should be included.

Microbiological evaluation is essential. Concurrent infections with 2 or more pathogens should be anticipated. Chlamydia trachomatis, an important cause of non-specific urethritis in the general population, is high on the list of possible causes of the non-specific proctitis present in 31 of the 260 patients.

Taken from: <http://www.annclinlabsci.org/cgi/content/abstract/6/2/184>

Watching **Porn** Makes **Straight Men** More Receptive To The Idea Of **Same-Sex Marriage**⁸

- Effect was particularly marked in less-well educated men, researchers say.
- They believe porn may open men's minds to alternative sexual situations.
- Research has shown 30 per cent of all internet traffic is porn.

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Same-sex marriage – heterosexual men warm to the idea of gay marriage more if they watch pornography.

Campaigners for same-sex marriage have always come up against particularly vociferous opposition from heterosexual men.



But a study from the U.S. has suggested a novel method of persuading them to soften their stance on the divisive issue: get them to watch dirty videos.

The new academic analysis suggests that the more that straight men watch pornography, the more they warm to the idea that two people of the same sex could be married.

Paul Wright, assistant professor of communications at Indiana University and author of the study, said the effect was particularly marked in men who were less-well educated.

He said the change in attitude could because of pornography opens their mind to accepting non-traditional sexual situations – like those involving participants of the same sex.

⁸ Article taken from http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-2273376/Watching-porn-makes-straight-men-receptive-idea-sex-marriage-new-study-claims.html?ITO=1490&ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490#axzz2JvU7v4th

“Our study suggests that the more heterosexual men, especially less educated heterosexual men, watch pornography, the more supportive they become of same-sex marriage,” he told the **Washington Examiner**.

He went on: “Pornography adopts an individualistic, non-judgmental stance on all kinds of non-traditional sexual behaviours and same-sex marriage attitudes are strongly linked to attitudes about same-sex sex. If people think individuals should be able to decide for themselves whether to have same-sex sex, they will also think that individuals should be able to decide for themselves whether to get married to a partner of the same-sex.”

Mind opening – the change in attitude could because of pornography opens the minds of men to accepting non-traditional sexual situations – like those involving participants of the same sex.

The results of the study, published in the journal *Communication Research*, could be interpreted as suggesting that backers of same sex marriage should encourage men to watch more port.

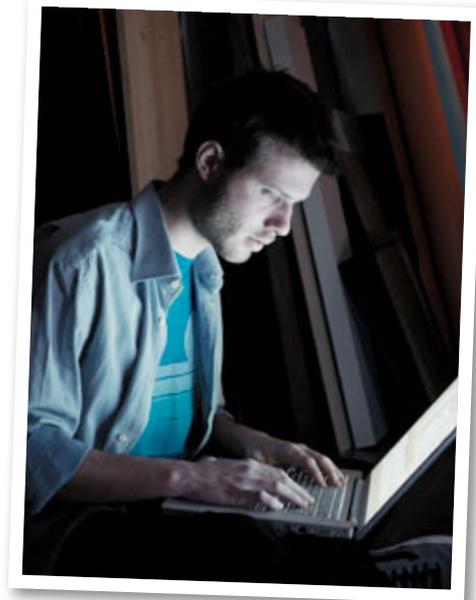
Professor Wright said: “Since a portion of individuals’ sexual attitudes come from the media they consume, it makes sense that pornography viewers would have more positive attitudes towards same-sex marriage.”

If figures on internet usage are correct, it is likely that support for same-sex marriage will be fairly strong worldwide – researchers last year revealed a staggering 30 per cent of all online traffic is pornography.

The biggest porn site on the web – Xvideos – receives 4.4 billion page views and 350 million unique visits per month, according to figures revealed last spring. The only sites that surpass this in size are the likes of Google and Facebook, according to an investigation carried out by ExtremeTech. The report uncovered the viewing figures for Xvideos from Google’s DoubleClick Ad Planner, which uses cookies to gather information about users.

It then used these figures – and actual data from the third biggest porn site, YouPorn – to extrapolate how much data is being transferred out of the site’s servers.

It based the first calculation on the average length of time spent on Xvideos, which is 15 minutes, and assumed a low resolution video was being streamed. From this it estimated that around 29 petabytes of pornography is being transferred a month, or 50 gigabytes per second.



However, it upped this estimate to 35 to 40PB per month after learning that YouPorn hosts over 100TB of porn, gets 100 million page views and transfers 950 terabytes per day.

For the latest study, Professor Wright and study co-author Ashley Randall, of the University of Arizona, looked at data from studies of 500 heterosexual men over the past five years funded by the National Science Foundation. "Pornography consumption did predict over-time increases in support for same-sex marriage," they wrote.

MEN WHO LOOK AT PORN
"DAMAGE PARTNER'S SELF-CONFIDENCE"

It may make them more liberal and accepting in their attitudes towards gay marriage, but research shows that men who look at porn are making their partners miserable.

A study found that when their partners turn to X-rated films for pleasure it had a corrosive effect on a woman's self confidence.

Women's sex lives were also damaged if their partners preferred virtual ways of arousing himself instead of sleeping with them.

Destin Stewart, a clinical psychology intern at the University of Florida, looked at the problem after one of her patients explained she was having difficulty with her porn-addicted partner. She asked 308 students aged 18 to 29 and asked them to complete online questionnaires about how often their partners viewed porn.

They were also asked about how sexually satisfied they were, how much self-esteem they had and how they rated the quality of their relationship. All the women were heterosexual.

The results showed a strong statistical link between men viewing porn and women becoming unhappy. When women thought that their partner was a heavy porn user or a porn addict it also had a negative impact on their self-esteem and general sexual satisfaction.

Ms. Stewart said that the key to solving the issue was to get couples to talk frankly about what they wanted, even though it can be tough. She said: "It's just about trying to do some education about what is realistic and unrealistic and trying to get couples to be honest about what their wants and needs and desires are".

Additional Resources

Please be sure to work through all the books in the *"Healing The Sexually Broken-Hearted"* series:

- BOOK 1 is now J2F Book 8 (be sure to work through this book first)
- BOOK 2: Dealing With Sexual Addictions
- BOOK 3: Restoring Sexual Identity: I Am A Man!
- Sodomy And Sexual Abuse
- Harlotry And Idolatry
- Spiritual Warfare For Sexual Sin
- Restoring Your Sexuality
- Sexuality, Ages 13-18
- "Healing The Sexually Broken Hearted" DVD Series

As well as our foundational series, *"Journey2Freedom"*:

- J2F1 Man's Purpose And The Gifts Of The Spirit
- J2F2 Generational Blessings
- J2F3 Blessings And Curses Over Motherhood
- J2F4 Water/Spirit Baptism
- J2F5 Spying Out The Land
- J2F6 Dealing With The Giants
- J2F7 Uprooting Generational Heart-Attitudes And Roots
- J2F8 Childhood Pain, The Brain, And Arrested Development ... How Do We HEAL And Come To MATURITY?
- J2F9 Mother-Bonds, Deception, And The False Prophetic

As well as our follow-on series, *"Journey2Wholeness"*, which covers:

- Healing from the curse of illegitimacy and shame.
- Understanding the mind-body-emotions connection.
- Dating, courtship, sexuality, and GOD's Plan for marriage.
- Trauma, childhood, and arrested development.
- Understanding the conscious and subconscious mind, and mind renewal ... healing from un-Godly lies/beliefs from childhood (Life Commandments).
- As well as understanding/dealing with anger, forgiveness, and grief.

The Priestly Blessing ...

Numbers 6:24-26

“²⁴ The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:
²⁵ The LORD make his face shine upon
thee, and be gracious unto thee: ²⁶ The
LORD lift up his countenance upon thee,
and give thee peace.”

The Priestly Blessing ...

Hebraic Translation²¹

"YHVH will kneel before you presenting gifts, and He will guard you with a hedge of protection, YHVH will illuminate the wholeness of His Being toward you, bringing order, and He will provide you with love, sustenance, and friendship, YHVH will lift up the wholeness of His Being and look upon you, and He will set in place all you need to be whole and complete."

²¹ Translation by Jeff A. Benner, for more information, please see http://www.ancient-hebrew.org/12_blessing.html

The Priestly Blessing¹

יְבַרְכֶּךָ יְהוָה וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ:

and may he guard you the LORD may he bless you

May the LORD² bless you³ and keep you⁴

יָאֵר יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיַּחַנְךָ:

and show you favor on you his face the LORD May he shine

May the LORD make His face⁵ shine⁶ upon you and be gracious⁷ to you

יִשָּׂא יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם:

peace for you and establish on you his face the LORD may he lift up

May the LORD lift up⁸ his face to you and give you peace⁹

¹ This blessing is (ritually) recited (by the kohanim) during synagogue services during *Nesiat Kapayim* ("the Raising of the Hands"), though it is also recited over children on Friday night before the start of the Shabbat meal or as a bedtime blessing.

² The name *YHVH* (יהוה) represents God's attributes of love and mercy (מִדַּת הַרַחֲמִים), in contradistinction to the name *Elohim* (אֱלֹהִים), which represents God's attribute of justice and power as our Creator.

³ בְּרַכָּה (*b'rachah*). Jewish tradition considers this both material and spiritual prosperity. Pirkei Avot 3:15 says, "If there is no flour, there is no Torah," by which is meant that material benefits are intended to help you pursue study of Torah. The first occurrence of the word "blessing" in the Scriptures pertains to *pru urvu* (פְּרוּ וּרְבוּ), "be fruitful and multiply" (Gen. 1:22).

⁴ שָׁמַר (*shamar*): To guard, protect, heed, as in the exercise of diligent care. Only God has the power to secure the conferred blessing and keep it from turning sour or from fading away.

⁵ The word for "face" (פָּנִים) is plural with the 3rd person singular ending. It is considered metaphorical since God is incorporeal. The plural form is thought by some to indicate God's revealed and hidden attributes in creation.

⁶ The hiphil verb (יָאֵר) comes from the word "light" (אֹר), and is thought to refer to God's wisdom. "May God enlighten you" with His wisdom, i.e., the Divine Light that preceded the work of creation (Gen. 1:3).

⁷ May God grant you grace or favor (חֵן), i.e., to understand the "breadth and length and height and depth" of God's love (Eph. 3:18). Grace refers to the bestowal of an undeserved gift. The blessing is bestowed even though unearned or unmerited.

⁸ Since one's face is an indication of the heart's attitude, Rashi says that this means God will suppress His anger by "looking at you" (if God is angry at you, He "turns His face away" and refuses to admit your presence). The "lifting of face" also pictures God lifting you up as a father might lift up his child in joy. The "showing of face" indicates spiritual intimacy.

⁹ All of the other blessings are useless without the establishment of inner peace, and therefore it is the seal of the blessing. Shalom (שְׁלוֹם) is not simply the absence of strife, but a balance and harmony between the finite and infinite, the temporal and the eternal, the material and the spiritual realms. Shalom is a gift from Sar Shalom (שַׂר שְׁלוֹם), the Prince of Peace.