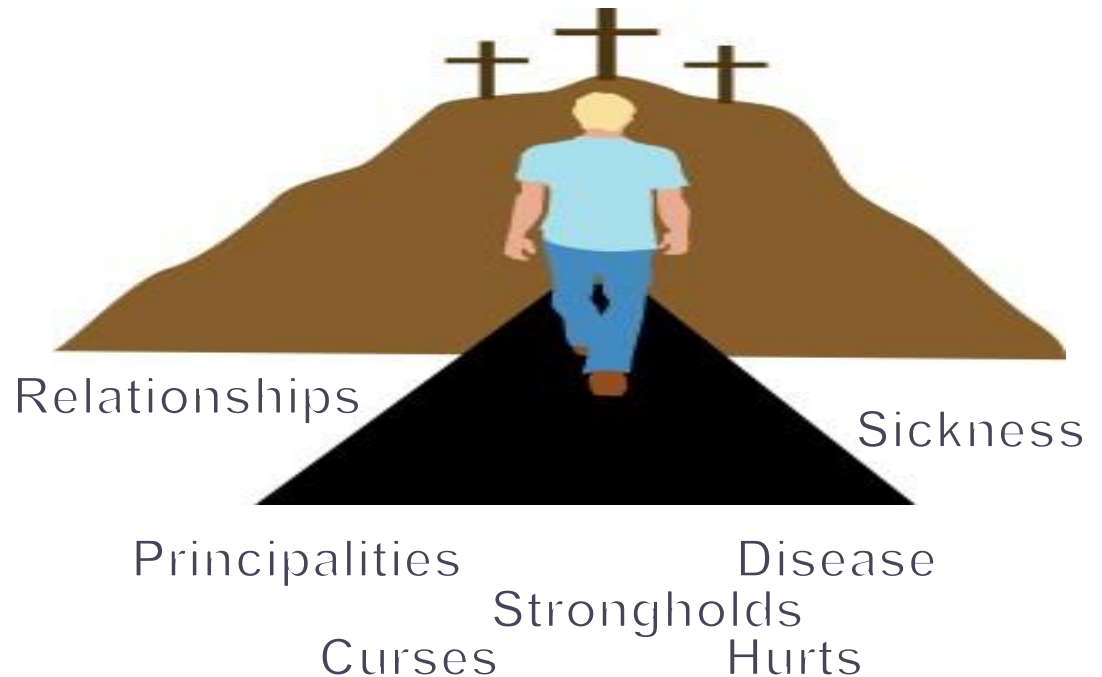


PRINCIPALITY OF ENVY AND JEALOUSY

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Four Spiritual Stages – Dr. Skip Moen

*Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, “I am the LORD, and I will **bring you out** from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I **will deliver you** from their bondage. I will also **redeem you** with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. Then I will **take you** for My people, and I will be your God; . . .” Exodus 6:6-7 NASB*

- God desires to deliver us from all things. In the above scripture we see God desires for us as His children
- It is important that we trust in God and believe what He says and submit to His Will instead of ours
- **Everything about salvation is defined within these 4 stages.**

Four Spiritual Phases – Dr. Skip Moen

- **Bring you out** – the removal of the oppressor and the oppressor's stranglehold of slavery. **We are not redeemed until we have been removed from our bondage**
 - Those oppressed need the intervention of God to accomplish this first and vital step.
 - Removal of bondage, which is a result of sin, is God's what God has promised! It is a gift, not a right or a reward.
- **Will deliver you**
 - Deliverance is still God's action. We are the beneficiaries of His benevolence. God delivers us from our condition as slaves. We have nothing to do with it.
 - God *desires* to deliver. His action is not motivated by our worthiness but rather by our need

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- **Redeem You** - A redeemer provides a substitute for the debt of his kinsman. He offers restitution in the other's place and in some cases, acts as the one who brings justice to the situation (as in the case of capital punishment for the life of a murdered relative).
 - God redeems those who are connected to Him as members of the family.
 - Christ became the kinsman Redeemer for all mankind
- **Take you** - The words are connected with the command to separate ourselves from the world.
 - The words symbolically represent the exclusivity of a marriage covenant.
 - Has God taken you? Are you “married” to the God of Israel? Is He your one true love, your faithful spouse, your exclusive partner? Are disrupting relationships set aside? Is your deepest intimacy with Him?

Points of Emphasis

- We are exclusive to God
- God is faithful and well able to provide for us
- Jesus is returning for a bride without “Spot or Wrinkle”
- He has given us the Holy Spirit to “iron out” the spiritual kinks or ‘lines” in our lives
- The Word of God acts as the “Spot” Remover
- Satan is always at work to “Imperfect” the Bride

Envy and Jealousy



What principalities and issues do you see in this picture?

Cain and Abel

- The previous pictures reflect the story of Cain and Abel as told in Genesis 4:1-15
 - Abel presented a better sacrifice to God than Cain
 - God recognizing that Cain was “angry” gave him an opportunity to correct his thoughts and present a better sacrifice
 - Cain was **angry** and felt **rejection** feeling that since God rejected his sacrifice that He had rejected him. He may even have felt **Unloved**.
 - There may have been a **spirit of Competition** between them
 - Cain was also **envious and jealous** of his brother Abel
 - This gave way to **covetousness** (he wanted what Abel had achieved) and then to **bitterness**
 - When Cain and Abel argued, Cain slew his brother Abel
 - Cain was cursed for his actions, but he never repented. He only felt remorse for his actions.

Scripture

- Ephesians 6:12 - For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
 - *Principalities: Chief rulers; beings of the first rank and order in their own kingdom.*
 - *There are evil angels/spirits ruling the kingdoms of the world that oppose the truth of God*
- Hebrews 13:5 "Let your conversation be without covetousness (*without gain*); and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

The Principality of Envy – Henry Wright

- Envy and Jealousy is not just an emotion. It's not just a feeling. The Principality of Envy and Jealousy is an entity.
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- It's a being with a personality. It expresses itself through us and its nature is very destructive.
- Envy and Jealousy is a spiritual problem that is at the root to many of our diseases.

Defining Envy & Jealousy

- Envy is a discontentment or ill will because of another's advantage, possession or blessings (Proverbs 14:30)
- Jealousy is being very careful of or guarding something, not tolerating rivals; making an icon out of a material object, person, place or thing. (Proverbs 6:34,35)

Envy is Rooted in Covetousness

- Covetousness always desires something; to long for wrongly; have excessive desire or greed
- To strategize to gain at the expense of another
- Covetousness can include things beside money.. It can include Lust, the Pride of Life, keeping up with the Joneses, coveting your neighbor's wife, comparing yourself with others ... clothing, good looks, or their healing! You may compare your state of disease with someone else's state of health
- It is a form of Unbelief and Doubt and faithlessness.

Envy and Jealousy's Mission and Goal

- Its mission is to divide and confuse the work of God
 - *James 3:16 - For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing.*
- Its desire is to separate and divide the body of Christ, destroy relationships, separate families, split churches, wreck marriages and cause animosity between neighbors.
- It always goes right to bitterness.
- Envy and Jealousy's main goal is to take our eyes off God and put our eyes on others.
- Envy and Jealousy will make others our source of value and fulfillment.

The Cure for Covetousness

- Faith in God and Content with His Will (Luke 12:15)
- Trust in God as our source and supply and don't worry or be concerned about what others have
- Reverse your Reaction (instead of complain, compliment etc.)
- 8 R's of Freedom: Recognize it, Repent for participating with it, ask Father God to forgive us and cast it out

Check Your Temperature

Envy and Jealousy

“Why Them?”

“C” What I mean?

- Confusion/Discord
- Coarse Anger
- Competitiveness
- Covetous
- Critical



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Love of God

- *Jude 1:20,21- Spiritual Equilibrium*
- Celebrate with Others
- Believe and Desire the Best for Others
- Complimentary
- Peace with your situation (Content)
- Caring and Supportive
- “Why Not” Them

Conclusion

- Many Christians today are controlled and oppressed by envy and jealousy
- There is no legitimacy in this principality – its' purpose is to destroy you and destroy your relationships
- You can overcome envy and jealousy by learning to be content in Christ and trust God for all your needs
- If you see someone struggling with envy and jealousy, teach them to reverse their reaction