

# Breaking Generational Curses



Everything we need is found in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus died a cruel death, shedding His blood for our redemption on the cross at Calvary. Upon His death, He defeated satan once and for all, attaining for us eternal life, healing for all our diseases and redemption from generational curses. Though He committed no sin, Jesus took our place, becoming a curse on our behalf by hanging on a tree.

*"Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us, for it is written, Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree." (Galatians 3:13).*

*"We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all." (Isaiah 53:6)*

The Kingdom of God is based on laws and principles set in motion by God. If we obey them, we enter into a blessed life, but if we disobey them, we enter into a curse. When we sin by breaking God's laws, we give the enemy "legal right" to enter our lives.

*"See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse -  
the blessing if you obey the commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today;  
the curse if you disobey the commands of the Lord your God and turn from the way that I command you  
today  
by following other gods, which you have not known." (Deuteronomy 11:26-28)*

We also suffer under curses as a result of the sin of previous generations. These sins may go far back into the bloodline and must be identified, confessed and revoked.

*"The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression,  
and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children  
unto the third and fourth generation." (Numbers 14:18)*

This is true for everyone, even those who have come to know the saving grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. Our churches are full of genuine, dedicated brothers and sisters afflicted with every type of torment, destruction, bondage, sickness, poverty, strife, abuse, divorce, and calamity.

There is always a cause for curses. Sinful acts openly invite curses into the bloodline. A person who has dedicated the family to a false god or satan can bring forth a generational curse that, unless broken, will continue to pass on from parent to child throughout the generations. Some generational curses are established even before a child is born. [Deuteronomy 28](#) shows us that curses overtake us. They come upon us unexpectedly, take us by surprise and catch up with us. The blood of Jesus is the only way to escape being ravaged by these curses.

Proverbs 26:2 says: *"So a curse without cause does not alight."*

## What is a generational curse?

A generational curse is an invisible force that keeps us in a cycle or pattern of calamity. Without warning, the curse creates and fosters an environment of darkness, defeat, loss and destruction, with no evident cause or reason. It comes in repeated patterns, and it touches every aspect of our lives—family, friendships, business, ministry, health, productivity, etc. Just when you think things are going well, it hits again. I heard my mother repeatedly say, "I take two steps forward and three steps back." She went to be with the Lord without understanding generational curses.

### Outward signs that a curse may be in operation within your family:

- Mental or emotional breakdown
- Miscarriages or female problems
- Breakdown of marriage and family alienation (where a family falls apart)
- Financial deficiency, especially where income appears to be sufficient
- Being accident prone
- Suicides or unnatural deaths
- Frustration at every turn
- Repeated or chronic sickness that follows the generations
- Lack of permanency (a wanderer, vagabondism)

### The following scriptures illustrate biblical examples of renounced curses:

- Daniel ([Daniel 9:4-19](#))
- Nehemiah ([Nehemiah 1:5-7](#))
- King Josiah ([2 Kings 22:11,13,19-20](#)).
- Jews ([Nehemiah 9:1-37](#))
- Ezra ([Ezra 9:5-15; 10:1](#))
- Asa ([1 Kings 15 :11-14](#)).

### More examples:

- [Matthew 23:31-35](#)
- [Jeremiah 32:16-18](#)
- [Deuteronomy 5:8-10](#)

## Blessings for Obedience

***"If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God." (Deuteronomy 28:1-2)***

# HOW TO BREAK THE PATTERN OF DESTRUCTION OVER MY LIFE

[\(Galatians 3:13-15\)](#),[\(Colossians 1:12-14\)](#),[\(1 John 3:8\)](#)

**In order to be free from generational curses, you must:**

- Base the entire process on faith in God's Word.
- Confess your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Commit yourself to obedience.
- Identify the sins and iniquities of your ancestors. Remember that you marry a generation. When you marry, any generational curses in the heritage or bloodline of your in-laws will be operational in your descendants also.  
Note: At the end of this teaching there is a list of sins or [doorways](#) that may have opened the way to generational curses in your life. You can use this list to identify sins that are or may have been operating in your family. (This list is extensive but not all-inclusive. Feel free to add to it as you see fit.)
- Confess known sins that you and your ancestors may have committed.
- Forgive your ancestors, living or dead, for bringing these curses upon you.
- With a humble heart, ask God to forgive the sins of your forefathers; ask Him to forgive and cleanse you for your participation in the sins of your generation.
- Forgive anyone from whom you might be withholding forgiveness.
- Renounce all contact with the occult and secret societies, and get rid of or destroy all objects that are connected with the curses.
- Release yourself and declare the curses broken in the Name of Jesus.
- Bless those who curse you and send Jesus to heal and save them. The Word tells us to "BLESS them who curse you." If someone sent a curse, you are not to "send it back to the sender." Break the power of the curse and send them salvation and deliverance. If you have sent the curse back in the past, confess it before the Lord, break the power of your words, and ask the Lord to release you and them from the curse.

## Prayer of Deliverance

You can pray the prayer of deliverance, which includes each of the conditions listed above:

*Lord, Jesus Christ,*

*I believe that you are the Son of God and the only way to God; that on the cross you died for my sins; and that you rose again from the dead; that on the cross also you were made a curse, so that I might be redeemed from the curse and receive your blessing.*

*I trust you now for mercy and forgiveness and I commit myself to obey and follow you.*

*I ask you to forgive and blot out any sins committed by me or by my ancestors that exposed me to a curse (name the items you identified on the list).*

*If people have harmed me or wronged me, I forgive them, as I would have God forgive me. I specifically forgive (name the persons). I bless those who cursed me and send them Jesus to heal and save them.*

*I renounce all contact with satan, occult practices and unscriptural secret societies. If I have any contact objects that link me to these things, I promise to destroy them.*

*With the authority you have given me as a child of God, I release myself from every curse that has ever come upon me or affected me in any way. All the way back to the beginning of time and all the way forward to the end of time, over myself, my household and my blood line. End this curse now and stop it from continuing with my children.*

*And ask you Lord for a new generational inheritance of health, freedom, and all spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus; I claim this for myself, for my family, and all the generations that follow us.*

*Lord I thank you for setting me free from every curse and every spirit that has operated in my life as the result of a curse. I redeem to myself and my family everything the enemy has stolen through curses. I receive it in the Name of Jesus.*

*Amen.*

Even though the curse is broken, our families are still vulnerable to the bondage of curses simply because we live in a fallen world. So everyday, as part of my daily spiritual warfare, I pray *"I break the power of any lineal sins/generational curses over myself, my family, and entire bloodline."* (Spiritual Warfare will be next month's teaching).

(Leviticus 26:40),(Nehemiah 9:2),(Daniel 9:5),(Daniel 9:14-16),(Matthew 20:28),(Acts 20:28),  
(1 Corinthians 6:20),(1 Corinthians 7:23),(1 Timothy 2:6)

## Special Word About Tattoos

It is clear in the Word that tattoos are an abomination to the Lord. *"Do not cut your bodies for the dead or put tattoo marks on yourselves. I am the LORD."* (Leviticus 19:28) Demonic powers attached to tattoos give the recipient power, demonic power, creating a doorway for curses. Most tattoo parlors are demonically infested places. You must confess breaking God's law by acquiring the tattoo, repent of your actions and renounce the power that you might have received from the tattoo.

## Prayer Over Tattoos

*Jesus, please forgive me for marking my skin. According to Leviticus 19:28 it is forbidden. Lay hands on each tattoo and speak to them. In the Name of Jesus I confess and repent getting you and having you. I break your power over me. I renounce all demonic power coming from you. You are rendered powerless over me. My skin is sanctified by the blood of Jesus, as is my entire body, mind, soul and spirit. I dedicate my entire body to God for His use according to Romans 12:1-2 which says: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be you transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove that which good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. In Jesus Name, Amen.*

## Doorways to Generational Curses

General Sins	
■ Abandonment	■ Murder
■ Abortion	■ Music (rock [some of the lyrics are demonic incantations], occultic, satanic, or rebellious, sexual, drug oriented, or focusing on death)
■ Abuse (mental, physical and sexual, of children, elderly or anyone)	■ Neglect
■ Anger (a quick or bad temper, hatred, murderous rage, bitterness)	■ Nightmares/night terrors
■ Blasphemy	■ Off-color jokes
■ Child abuse	■ People representing satan (witches, witch doctors)
■ Cursing	■ Pride
■ Defeat	■ Rebellion
■ Disfavor	■ Rejection
■ Dishonoring parents	■ Relational curses (from authority, such as parents, pastors, grandparents, teachers, doctors, husbands)
■ Drug "trips"	■ Robbing God of tithes and offerings
■ Drunkenness	■ Self-imposed curses (negative words you speak over yourself)
■ Fear/terror	■ Soulless prayers, utterances and gossip
■ Gambling	■ Stealing and perjury
■ Gluttony	■ Tattoos
■ Hatred of God	■ Teenage pregnancy
■ Humiliation	■ Trusting in the arm of flesh (in man or our

	carnal efforts)
■ Idolatry	■ Unbelief
■ Injustice to the weak	■ Unscriptural seeking of spiritual gifts and experience
■ Jezebel	
■ Lying, deceit/dishonesty	■ Violent acts (i.e, rape, murder)
■ Materialism	■ Vulgar language, cursing (Lord's name in vain)
■ Mockery	■ Wishing death (for self or others)

Sexual Sins	
■ Adultery	■ Molestation
■ Bestiality	■ Pedophilia (sexual child abuse)
■ Exhibitionism	■ Pornography
■ Fornication	■ Rape (violent sexual assault)
■ Homosexuality	■ Sadomasochism
■ Illicit or unnatural sex (any sex outside of marriage)	■ Sex with demons
■ Incest	■ Sexual abuse
■ Lust	■ Sexual fantasies
■ Masturbation	■ Sexual perversion

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## Cults (false religion)

■ Armstrongism	■ Jean Dixon
■ Arthur Ford	■ Jehovah's Witnesses
■ Bahaim	■ Jesus only
■ Black muslim	■ Klu Klux Klan (KKK)
■ Buddhism	■ Knights of Columbus
■ Children of God	■ Mormonism
■ Christian Science	■ Order of the Arrow
■ Christodelphianism	■ Pagan religions
■ Church of the living word	■ Rosicrucianism
■ Cultural or pagan ceremonies	■ Roy Masters
■ Druidism	■ Science of creative intelligence
■ Eastern philosophies	■ Scientology
■ Eastern star	■ Secret orders/lodges/societies
■ Edgar Cayce	■ Shamanism
■ Father divine	■ Spiritism
■ Hare Krishna	■ Spiritualism
■ Hinduism	■ Swedenborgianism
■ Humanism	■ The plain truth
■ I Ching	■ The Way, International
■ Indian ceremonies	■ Unification church
■ Inner peace movement	■ Unitarians
■ Islam	



## Occult Practices

■ Acupuncture (they pray over the needles, giving them power to heal)	■ Occultic or horror movies (i.e., Alien, Exorcist, Star Wars, The Omen)
■ Apparitions (a ghost that appears before you)	■ Occultic TV shows or Cartoons
■ Astral projection	■ Ouija boards, Herman Board
■ Automatic writing	■ Palm reading
■ Belomancy	■ Parapsychology (the study of ghostly appearances)
■ Biofeedback	■ Pentagrams
■ Black and white magic	■ Poltergeists
■ Blood pacts	■ Pow Wow (healing witchcraft)
■ Cabala	■ Prayers sending curses back to the sender, releasing confusion or torment until a person gets saved
■ Chanting	■ Prayers with candles or with oil and salt
■ Charms (ankh, italian hron, etc.)	■ Psychic portraits, healings, and experiences
■ Chi	■ Psychocybernetics
■ Clairsentiense	■ Reincarnation
■ Clairvoyance	■ Ritual abuse
■ College sororities and fraternities (initiation oaths and pledges are occultic rituals)	■ Rod and/or pendulum (dowsing)
■ Conjuraton	■ Runes
■ Crystal balls	■ Santeria
■ Crystals	■ Satan worship

■ Deja vu	■ Séances
■ Demonic games (electronic games, toys)	■ Secret brotherhoods
■ Divination	■ Secret sisterhoods
■ Divining	■ Self realization or higher consciousness
■ Dungeons and Dragons	■ Silva mind control
■ Eckankar	■ Sorcery
■ Extra Sensory Perception (ESP)	■ Soul travel
■ Familiar spirits	■ Speaking in a trance
■ Fetishes	■ Spells
■ Fire psyche by candles	■ Statues of idols (Diana, Mercury, Venus)
■ Fortune telling	■ Subliminal tapes
■ Ghosts	■ Superstitions (good luck charms, fear of black cats, salt over shoulder, elves, jinni, leprechauns)
■ Guide or counselor	■ Table tipping/lifting
■ Handwriting analysis	■ Talismans
■ Healing magnetism	■ Tarot cards
■ Herbs from an herbalist	■ Tea leaf reading
■ Horoscopes	■ Telepathy
■ Hypnotism or self-hypnosis	■ Theosophy
■ Idolatry	■ Third eye
■ Incantations	■ Trance diagnosis
■ Incense	■ Transcendental meditation (TM)
■ Incubi	■ Unicorn/rainbow: now signs of new age
■ Karate, Judo or Martial Arts	■ Urantia

■ Levitation	■ Vexing
■ Magic charming	■ Visionary dreams
■ Maloike (Italian witchcraft)	■ Visualization-demonic
■ Meditations (blanking or clearing mind)	■ Voodoo
■ Mediums	■ Warlock
■ Mental suggestions	■ Wart charming
■ Metaphysics	■ Water charming, water witching
■ Mind idolatry	■ Wicca
■ Necromancy	■ Wishing on a star
■ New age	■ Witchcraft
■ Numerology	■ Wizards
■ Occult	■ Yoga (Kundalini, Tantra)
■ Occult books	■ Zen
■ Occultic Dedications	

***"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect."  
(1 Peter 1:18-19)***



I thank God that you have decided to be set free from generational curses. Your life from now on will be prosperous, enjoying the freedom and blessings the Lord has supplied for you. My prayers, faith and love I send to you. *Reneyda*

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