Breaking family curses

What are family curses? By family curses here we, in Christianity, mean curses that come through serious family conflicts. The topic has nothing to do with generational curses. By severe family conflicts we mean conflicts that result in unpleasant words being pronounced against a family member and both or one of them holding bitterness against another.

Severe family conflicts without any reconciliation result in distressing experiences among those not willing to settle scores. The trauma that results may be spiritual, social, physical, material or any combination. This may seem like a contradiction after confirming that undeserved curses are powerless. However the area of family politics seems to be a biblical exception.

There is something about family issues, especially between parents and children. Family politics can make or break the course of the lives of children. “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ‘Honor your father and mother’--which is the first commandment with a promise—‘that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth,’” Ephesians 6:1-3.

Notice that the commandment has a promise—“that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.” The promise is hindered or goes unfulfilled when serious conflicts come in between the parent(s) and a child.

The passage that follows talks about parents’ input to their children. “Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.” Ephesians 6:4.

From here we realize that it’s a two way street. If parents treat their children well the children are likely to treat them with honor. There is no single formula of ensuring a two way healthy relationship but it can take so much work, prayer, occasional mistakes, differences, breaking and making up. In the final outcome making up must win to ensure that it “may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

Parents have immense biblical authority to influence the destiny of their children for better or for worse. Their words are not mere words. They carry with them the power to bless or to curse socially, spiritually, materially or physically. Children don’t have this privilege over their parents. Their words are mere words. Their privilege lies in continuing the family lineage.

In case a parent uttered cursing words against you or someone you love and channels of reconciliation are still closed please continue praying for God to open them up. It may require sessions of prayer and fasting for God to break the spiritual strongholds over emotions, memories and thoughts that are blocking the way. Like any relationship there is no single formula to reaching a breakthrough. Entrusting it to God will enable him to work in their hearts and minds.
He may also create matters and events that can facilitate healing and reconciliation. There is no requirement to bind and loose demons in any way. Some resort to binding and loosing spirits they categorize as spirits of division, spirits of unforgiveness, spirits of rebellion, spirits of disrespect, spirits of divorce and so on. It ends up being a ritual of inviting more demonic attacks.

The bottom line is that you or anyone you’re burdened for would like to close any doors that may provide legal access for problems that come through parent-child conflicts. But you need to follow prescriptions that are in line with scripture, regardless of the urgency. No short-cuts to deliverance, unless endorsed by the bible. Commit more days of prayer and fasting if possible. Fasting brings amazing breakthroughs. Walk in love, mercy, charity, read more on biblical deliverance on family matters, etc.

Any one in courtship with someone who has scores to settle with parents is better off waiting and praying for the conflict to be settled before getting into a marriage. Without the conflict settled you could have a rough road ahead. Consolidating such areas is an asset for a strong foundation against life’s storms.

Another area that can bring family related curses is when one side of parents refuse to approve a marriage partner of their child. For example some multiracial relationships end up in major problems and eventual separation not because of supposed cultural differences. Many of us have more than one racial descent, however long ago, so at least no one has room to assume there’s any bias against interracial relationships. The bias is against parental bullying to the extent of disregarding personal interests of the children.

Many of the major problems in multiracial relationships, if they arise, come from one or both sides of the marriage not approving the relationship. These lead to words said directly or in the absence of the children that curse the relationship. Tensions grow from the parent(s) disapproving with a determination to see the relationship fail. For such reasons I wish God never gave parents such influence that can bless or curse their children. But he is God. We will some day know why he has made this set-up, giving our parents some god-like powers.

In a non-racial or ethnic example a minister and his fiancée went ahead and got married when the parents to his wife strongly disapproved. This is a man after God’s heart, serving in front-line ministry. But even this could not help save their marriage when the parents continued their disapproval. To some extent he and his wife did not see it as a major area of concern and probably devoted less prayer to it.

For anyone already in a marriage with some form of family tension identify your area of prayer and let God fight your battles. Many couples have prevailed whether from a disapproved marriage or one partner having personal conflict with a parent.

God has now joined you together. Let no man or woman pull you apart because of some spiritual influence God gave them which they’re misusing to curse instead of bless. But devote much prayer to it (and occasional fasting) so that reconciliation, healing and approval wins the day.

The following principles define the nature of family politics and how it needs to remain a
work of team effort rather than one of personal interests:

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