

FREEDOM IN CHRIST

Study Notes – 19th November 2017

Week 7 – Curses vs Blessings and Maintaining your Freedom

The word of God makes it clear that curses can pass on from generation to generation, that is a generational curse, passed on through the bloodline from the ancestors. The iniquities of one generation can adversely affect future generations unless the sins of ancestors are confessed and renounced, and your spiritual heritage in Christ is claimed. You are not guilty for the sin of your ancestors, but if there is a curse effective in your life, due to a word curse, a generational curse, a witchcraft curse, a vow, an oath, a ceremony, a covenant or a ritual then that is the legal right, the open door for Satan to attack your life, until you break and renounce that curse in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, I ask you to reveal to my mind now all the sins of my ancestors that are being passed down through family lines. I want to be free from those influences and walk in my new identity as a child of God. In Jesus' name.

Declaration

I here and now reject and disown all the sins of my ancestors. I specifically renounce the sins of(name the areas of family sin the Lord revealed to you).

In the name of Jesus Christ, I break and loose myself and my family from all curses caused by habits, charms, psychic prayers, violence, trauma, physical bondages, mental bondages, incest, illegitimacy, abandonment, rejection and divination, in the family on the mother and father's side.

As one who has been delivered from the dominion of darkness into the kingdom of God's Son, I announce that the sins and iniquities of my ancestors have no hold on me and I now stand forgiven and cleansed in Christ. My body is a temple for the Holy Spirit, redeemed and cleansed by the blood of Jesus. I belong to Jesus now, body, soul and spirit, His blood protects me against all evil. I now ask you to fill me to overflowing with your Holy Spirit today and every day. I commit myself to the renewing of my mind in order to prove that Your will is good, pleasing and perfect for me. All this I pray in the name and authority of the risen Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

How to maintain your freedom

Freedom will continue to be yours as long as you keep choosing the truth and standing firm in the strength of the Lord. If you become aware of lies you have believed, renounce them and choose the truth.

1. Be involved in a loving, caring small group where you can be open and honest with others and where God's truth is taught with grace

2. Read and meditate on the Bible daily. Memorise key verses, and read the Statements of truth from Step 2.
3. Learn to take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. Assume responsibility for your thought life. Reject all lies, choose to focus on the truth and stand firm in your true identity as a child of Christ.
4. Don't drift back to old patterns of thinking, feeling and acting. This can happen very easily if you become spiritually and mentally lazy. If you are struggling with walking in the truth, share your battles openly with a trusted friend who will pray for you and encourage you to stand firm.
5. Don't expect other people to fight your battles for you, however. They can help you, but they can't think, pray, read the Bible or choose truth for you.
6. Commit yourself to daily prayer. Prayer demonstrates a life of trusting in and depending on God.

In Christ I am Accepted

I am God's child JOHN 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,

I am Christ's friend JOHN 15:15 "No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.

I have been justified RO 5:1 Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

I am united with the Lord and one with Him in spirit 1 COR 6:17 But the one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit with Him.

I have been bought with a price — I belong to God 1 COR 6:20 For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

I am a member of Christ's body 1 COR 12:27 Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it.

I am a saint EPH 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the saints who are at Ephesus, and who are faithful in Christ Jesus:

I have been adopted as God's child EPH 1:5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,

I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit EPH 2:18 for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.

I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins COL 1:14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

I am complete in Christ COL 2:10 and in Him you have been made complete, and He is the head over all rule and authority;

In Christ I am secure

I am free from condemnation RO 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

I am assured that all things work together for good RO 8:28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

I am free from any condemning charges against me RO 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

I cannot be separated from the love of God RO 8:35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

I have been established, anointed, and sealed by God 2 COR 1:21 Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and anointed us is God, 22 who also sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge.

I am hidden with Christ in God COL 3:3 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

I am confident that the good work that God has begun in me will be perfected PHILIPPIANS 1:6 For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

I am a citizen of heaven PHILIPPIANS 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind 2 TIM 1:7 (KJV) For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

I can find grace and mercy in time of need HEB 4:16 Let us therefore draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and may find grace to help in time of need.

I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me 1 JN 5:18 We know that no one who is born of God sins; but He who was born of God keeps him and the evil one does not touch him.

In Christ I am significant

I am the salt and light of the earth MT 5:13

I am a branch of the true vine, a channel of His life JN 15:1

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit JN 15:16

I am a personal witness of Christ ACTS 1:8

I am God's Temple 1 COR 3:16

I am a minister of reconciliation 2 COR 5:18

I am God's co-worker 2 COR 6:1

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realm EPH 2:6

I am God's workmanship EPH 2:10

I may approach God with freedom and confidence EPH 3:12

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me PHILIPPIANS 4:13