

# STD'S

**"MY FAMILY MATTERS TO ME AND I WANT IT BACK!"**

**STD'S — Sexually Transmitted Deceptions  
and Spirits**

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*Over the past few weeks, God has divinely given me messages on family. All of these messages were unplanned. It was just revelation and sensitivity to the Holy Spirit in shifting the message. Tonight this message is structured and tailored for every believer in the family of Bethel. We're fighting to get our families back. We will discuss soul ties through the lesson topic: STD'S. Let us now begin the lesson as we prepare ourselves for reconciliation, healing, and godly inheritance through our family. That truly is my prayer—in Jesus' name. Amen.*

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**DEFINITIONS:**

**FAMILY** – 1: a group of individuals living under one roof and usu. under one head: household 2: a group of persons of common ancestry: clan b: a people or group of people regarded as deriving from a common stock: RACE 3 a: a group of people united by certain convictions or a common affiliation: FELLOWSHIP b: the staff of a high official (as the President)

**KINFOLK** – relatives

**RELATIONSHIP** – 1: the state of being related or interrelated 2: the relation connecting or binding participants in a relationship: as a: kinship b: a specific instance or type of kinship 3: a state of affairs existing between those having relations or dealing b: a romantic or passionate attachment

**SEXUALITY – WHAT’S IT ALL ABOUT**

*Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. (Gen. 2:24)*

The gift of sexuality was given by God for the sole purpose of pleasure within the covenant bonds of marriage. Satan, however, has sought to distort the purity of such a bond and instead destroy lives and the work of God. Just look at all of the news stories today regarding great leaders who’ve fallen to the dust because of perverse or immoral sexual acts.

I often counsel women and occasionally men who’ve at one time or another suspected their spouse of having an affair, all because of the sudden behavioral changes that are outside of the character of their mate.

Anytime you lie down with another individual and engage in sexual intimacy with him or her, a part of you is released into the individual and that void is filled with a part of that individual that is then transferred to you. Hence, if the dominant personality of the person you have sex with is greed, anger, love, joy, depression, weaknesses, or so on, you may find yourself daily losing a part of yourself, sliding subtly into the world of that individual. You will become a reflection of the dominant spirit that has now been transferred to you through that one sexual touch.

Satan’s lie of “one time won’t hurt” becomes the addiction that keeps you returning for more. That is why it is so hard to let go of forbidden relationships, which can be so intoxicating that it can take years to recover or be delivered from that “one time” experience. You may think that you can easily walk away and remain the person you were, but once the connection has been made, the dominant seed of that individual is sown, watered, and nurtured with every intimate encounter.

## THE INCUBATION PERIOD

Medically speaking, the incubation period is the time between the infection and the actual physical appearance of infection. With syphilis, for instance, the incubation period is approximately 21 days. This means that within that 21-day incubation period, an individual can spread the disease to others unknowingly because he or she has seen no physical signs of infection. Even after the physical sign of a sore does appear, however, it eventually heals itself within one to five weeks, giving the appearance of good health, leaving the individual still full of the infection.

How many times have you shown signs of being healed from sexual improprieties and promiscuous and/or immoral behavior, only to find yourself again entangled with the same yoke of bondage. As I've said on numerous occasions, abstinence is not deliverance. Just because you stop committing adultery, watching pornography, or other immoral sexual acts, does not mean you are delivered. It could mean 1) that you lack opportunity or 2) that you are "forcing" yourself to abstain for a season. While abstinence is a very good start down the road to deliverance, true liberation must take place; otherwise, you will continue through life constantly struggling, unable to figure out why you keep falling into the same snare.

## LET'S GET SET FREE!

Once a sexual stronghold has been formed, it may take more than prayer to invoke true deliverance. Prayer must be incorporated along with the following:

- 1) **Research** – *As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come* (Prov. 26:2). There is a reason why you behave the way you do and a reason that certain curses befall you. Find out the history of your family and the curse that is causing you to desire the sexual sin. Whatever the source of the stronghold, it must become the target of attack if the stronghold is to be destroyed. Don't allow a "lack of knowledge" to be the blindfold that causes you to continue in darkness.
- 2) **Abstinence** – *Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?* (Prov. 6:27) Just as a recovering drug addict cannot remain free by hanging out with addicts and drug dealers, you cannot remain free by continuing to call upon the source of your sexual addictions. *Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you* (James 4:7).
- 3) **Honesty and Repentance** – *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness* (1 John 1:9). Be honest with yourself. God already knows about your problem. By confessing it to him openly, you bruise the enemy's head and strategically place yourself in the path toward a miracle.

### FIVE WAYS TO KNOW IF A POTENTIAL MATE IS COMPATIBLE

- 1) His or her goals and aspirations align with your goals for the future?
- 2) You feel comfort in the presence of the individual rather than negative anxiety.
- 3) The majority of your time together is not spent in conflict or in total agreement.
- 4) He or she does not pressure you to do things that go against your moral judgement.
- 5) You're able to resolve conflicts in a healthy manner without the other mate shutting down.

### TEN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT AN ABUSIVE MAN

- 1) He uses scripture to "whip" the woman in his life into submission.
- 2) He alienates her from friends and family.
- 3) He constantly belittles her instead of encouraging her to excel.
- 4) He's jealous of her and embarrasses her public.
- 5) He showers her with gifts after physically or verbally abusing her.
- 6) He can't be confronted.
- 7) Whatever the matter or situation is, it's always the other party's fault.
- 8) Controls her movements with money.
- 9) Her mother usually doesn't like him.
- 10) He suffocates her by keeping her attached to him day and night through cell phone, email, etc...He must know where she is at all times.

### NINE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT A CONTROLLING WOMAN

- 1) She has many insecurities
- 2) Buys his friendship and love by showering him with gifts.
- 3) Alienates him from his friends.
- 4) Uses tricks to control him. (For instance: Everyone is out having a good time at dinner, but since she's not the center of attention, she fakes a stomach ache so that he has to leave to take her home.)
- 5) She can't talk about sensitive issues without arguing.
- 6) She doesn't allow him to make decisions for himself; she controls him with her education.
- 7) His mother doesn't like her—justifiably so.
- 8) She pulls spiritual rank on him.
- 9) She uses sex to her way.

Remember, sexual sins are as dangerous and addictive as any drug. The best way to remain free is by not allowing yourself to become entangled in the first place. If you have, however, found yourself entangled in an ungodly relationship, it is not too late for you to be set free. Seek the Lord for His wisdom.

*Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: **and the God of peace shall be with you!** (Philippians 4:8-9)*