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Part 6:  
The sexual  
iniquities root

## The **SEXUAL INIQUITIES** root . . .

We must understand the principle that if and/or when we engage in any type of sexual iniquity – we **WILL** open ourselves and our generations up to a curse.



The following is a “shortlist” of some of the doorways of involvement in sexual iniquity – these are the “branches” of the **ROOT** of sexual iniquity.

- **SEXUAL INIQUITIES** Branch:
  - Sex with opposite sex outside of marriage (fornication, adultery).
  - Sex with the same sex (sodomy, homosexuality).
  - Incest.
  - Sex with demons (can manifest in dreams).
  - Sex with children.
  - Pornography.
  - Sexual pleasure with brutality (sado-masochism).
  - Sex with animals (bestiality).
  - Harlotry.

- Prostitution.
- Molestation.
- Rape.
- Illegitimate children (Deuteronomy 23:2).
- Masturbation.
- Strip shows.
- Blue movies and/or pornographic material on computers.
- Cybersex.

## Ten-generation curse...

The following two examples of sexual sin will result in TWO ten-generational curses:

1. Illegitimacy
2. Incest related sin (the Ammonites and the Moabites were conceived out of incest)

To go back ten generations in a family line speaks of an awful lot of people to take into account and the probability is that almost all of us have some illegitimacy and incest in our family line within the last ten generations.

### *Understanding spirit/soul-ties ...*

The Scriptures tell us that the results/consequences of the occult and sexual iniquities (1 Corinthians 6:18) is worse than others.

A spirit and soul tie is the knitting together of one person's soul with the soul of another, which can be a wonderful blessing in a Godly relationship [marriage] ... or cause terrible destruction if made with the wrong person. This spirit/soul-tie connection can be made through associations, spiritual transference, and soulish transference – the most common way being through relationships.

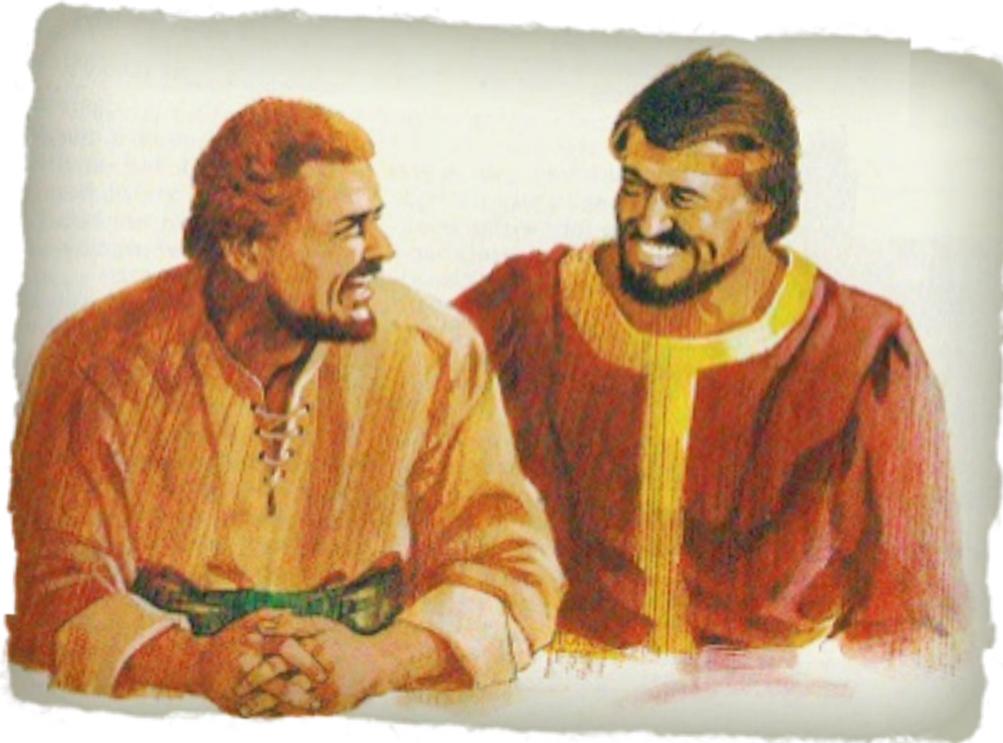
**2 Corinthians 11:20** “20 **For you endure it if a man assumes control of your souls and makes slaves of you, or devours [your substance, spends your money] and preys upon you, or deceives and takes advantage of you, or is arrogant and puts on airs, or strikes you in the face.**”

**Colossians 3:5** “5 **So kill (deaden, deprive of power) the evil desire lurking in your members [those animal impulses and all that is earthly in you that is employed in sin]: sexual vice, impurity, sensual appetites, unholy desires, and all greed and covetousness, for that is idolatry (the deifying of self and other created things instead of God).**”

The stronger the spirit/soul-tie, the more we become like the one to whom we are attached. Spirit/soul-ties can be formed between two people, or amongst a group of people in relationship with one another.

The strength of the spirit/soul-tie will depend on the loyalty, fidelity, and covenants made with a person, group, friendship, sexual union. Spirit/soul-ties can be likened to being “chained” or “linked” to another person or group. The chains can vary in thickness, depending on the strength of the bond. Let’s look at a few examples to help our understanding.

- *Spirit/soul-ties in friendships - David and Jonathan.*



David and Jonathan had an incredible friendship that brought forth life. They covenanted with each other as friends and brothers. In this type of spirit/soul-tie, the stronger the bond, the deeper and longer the relationship will last between the two.

*1 Samuel 18:1 “1 WHEN DAVID had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and **Jonathan loved him as his own life.**”*

*John 15:13 “13 **No one has greater love** [no one has shown stronger affection] than to lay down (give up) his own life for his friends.”*

Ruth and Naomi had a similar relationship. Each one stays faithful, considerate, unselfish, even though he/she might lose out.

*Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 “9 **Two are better than one, because they have a good [more satisfying] reward for their labor;** 10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up!*

11 *Again, if two lie down together, then they have warmth; but how can one be warm alone?* 12 **And though a man might prevail against him who is alone, two will withstand him. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.**

Two people in a committed relationship multiply their strength.

*Deuteronomy 32:30 “30 How could **one have chased a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight**, except their Rock had sold them, and the Lord had delivered them up?”*

*Matthew 18:19 “19 Again I tell you, **if two of you on earth agree** (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven.”*

In deeply sincere friendships and relationships, the two souls receive strength and encouragement from each other, as well as security and love. The best and most strengthening friendships are those based on loving and following after God and His Ways.

- *Spirit/soul-ties in a group or community.*

Spirit/soul-ties within a Godly group or community - people who are seeking to know and love God and follow after His Ways – can be so helpful in encouragement, instruction, strengthening, and so forth. We cannot walk this journey alone! We need the fellowship of believers – the Body! This type of community can bring forth tremendous LIFE, as exemplified throughout the Book of Acts.

*Acts 4:32 “32 **Now the company of believers was of one heart and soul**, and not one of them claimed that anything which he possessed was [exclusively] his own, but everything they had was in common and for the use of all.”*

However, again we must heed the warning. Un-Godly spirit/soul-ties can be extremely dangerous and damaging. Examples would include:

- ⇒ Cults/sects – such as Jim Jones and David Berg.
- ⇒ Organizations – such as Freemasonry.
- ⇒ Churches – those with un-Godly and false teachings [Babylonian Roots].

The unity we have with others is an expression of the spirit/soul-ties with them. The more intense our involvement, the stronger the spirit/soul-tie. We can be spirit/soul-tied to the people with whom we live, work, and associate – as well as those to whose leadership we submit.

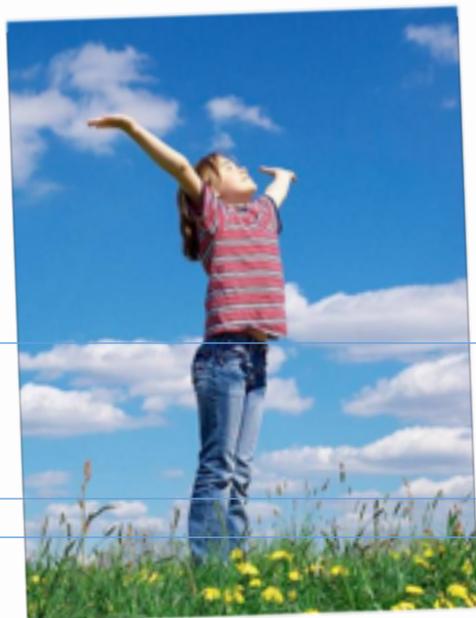
Because the people to whom we are spirit/soul-tied play such an important and influential role in our lives, we have to scrutinize our relationships and friendships very carefully, our family included.

When a person is bound to someone who is controlled by false motives or selfish desires, then the spirit/soul-tie between them will cause the selfish one to abuse and manipulate the other.

Man can in reality control another person through spirit/soul-ties, because the mind, will, and emotions of these two people are open to each other. In an un-Godly relationship, this spirit/soul-tie can place us in emotional and intellectual bondage and can cause us to say and do things that cause us harm.

In any relationship where Y'shua [Jesus] is not Lord, an un-Godly spirit/soul-tie develops. God requires first place in our hearts.

- *Spirit/soul-tie with God.*



When our strongest spirit/soul-tie is with God, then there is a Godly covering and protection that enables us to resist the forming of un-Godly spirit/soul-ties.

The word “cleave” is used often in the Scriptures. “Cleave” means to “bring close together, follow close after, be attached to someone, or adhere to one another as with glue”.

**Deuteronomy 10:20** “20 **You shall [reverently] fear the Lord your God; you shall serve Him and cling to Him, and by His name and presence you shall swear.**”

**1 Corinthians 6:17** “17 **But the person who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him.**”

**1 Corinthians 2:16** “16 **For who has known or understood the mind (the counsels and purposes) of the Lord so as to guide and instruct Him and give Him knowledge? But we have the **mind**<sup>40</sup> of Christ (the Messiah) and do hold the thoughts (feelings and purposes) of His heart.**”

- *Marriage*<sup>41</sup>.

When two people marry, the spirit/soul-ties with their parents have to be cut, otherwise it will give rise to much conflict in the marriage.

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<sup>40</sup> Remember, the mind is a part of both the spirit and soul.

<sup>41</sup> For additional material on marriage, see our books: “*A Living Stone Becomes The Bride Of Messiah*”; “*God’s Dream For Your Marriage*”; “*The Two Shall Become One*”; and “*Restoring The Biblical Foundations Of Marriage*”.

The strongest spirit/soul-tie that exists between two people is formed in marriage. They become one flesh. The marriage relationship is a type of our relationship with the Lord.

Just as two people become ONE through the marriage covenant, so we become ONE with the Lord through the Blood Covenant when we receive Y'shua [Jesus].

- *Sexual<sup>42</sup> snares.*

Since the spirit/soul-tie in a marriage is so strong that it ties two people together and makes them ONE, the marriage covenant has been created never to be broken. Divorce is horribly destructive, because two interwoven spirit/souls are literally torn apart. It causes very deep wounds.

When our marriage pledges are made at the altar, a spirit/soul-tie is formed by a confession. But the marriage bed is the final consummation of two people who then become one spirit, one soul, and one flesh.

This spirit/soul-tie is unique ... man has been created to have this union with ONE person only.



What happens if there is more than one sexual union? The person's spirit/soul is tied to the other sex partner's spirit/soul and they are united just as in a marriage. It can be as strong and binding as the one formed in a marriage.

**Genesis 34:1-3, 5, 8** ***"NOW DINAH daughter of Leah, whom she bore to Jacob, went out [unattended] to see the girls of the place. 2 And when Shechem son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he seized her, lay with her, and humbled, defiled, and disgraced her. 3 But his soul longed for and clung to Dinah daughter of Jacob, and he loved the girl and spoke comfortingly to her young heart's wishes. 5 Jacob heard that [Shechem] had defiled Dinah his daughter. Now his sons were with his livestock in the field. So Jacob held his peace until they came. 8 And Hamor conferred with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem craves your daughter [and sister]. I beg of you give her to him to be his wife."***

Sexual involvement forms intertwined tentacles of spirit/soul-ties that are difficult to break. If you have had sexual unions in your past, we encourage you to break these spirit/soul-ties. If not, they will be a bondage to your coming into FULLNESS and possessing your land – if these “chains” are not broken, you are still tied to those other partners.

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<sup>42</sup> For resources dealing with sexuality, please see the following available on the website or for order from the office: *"Healing The Sexually Broken-Hearted – Manual/DVD"*; *"Restoring Your Sexuality"*; *"The Defiled Bride – Sodomy And Sexual Abuse"*; *"Daughters Of The King – Out Of Bondage"*; *"Understanding The Spirit Side Of Your Sexuality"*.

- *Sexual slaves.*



Pre-marital and extra-marital sex can tie the spirit/soul to many sex partners. The spirit-soul is then scattered – as if these other partners have pieces of your spirit/soul [heart].

These ties will/do destroy the ability to only bind yourself to one partner.

*Proverbs 5:15, 17-19* “15 **Drink waters out of your own cistern [of a pure marriage relationship], and fresh running waters out of your own well.** 17 [Confine yourself to your own wife] let your children be for you alone, and not the children of strangers with you. 18 Let your fountain [of human life] be **blessed [with the rewards of fidelity], and rejoice in the wife of your youth.** 19 Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant doe [tender, gentle, attractive]—let her bosom satisfy you at all times, and always be transported with delight in her love.”

*Proverbs 6:26-32* “26 For on account of a harlot a man is brought to a piece of bread, **and the adulteress stalks and snares [as with a hook] the precious life [of a man].** 27 Can a man take fire in his bosom and his clothes not be burned? 28 Can one go upon hot coals and his feet not be burned? 29 **So he who cohabits with his neighbor’s wife [will be tortured with evil consequences and just retribution]; he who touches her shall not be innocent or go unpunished.** 30 Men do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy himself when he is hungry; 31 But if he is found out, he must restore seven times [what he stole]; he must give the whole substance of his house [if necessary—to meet his fine]. 32 **But whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks heart and understanding (moral principle and prudence); he who does it is destroying his own life. (Scattering his soul).”**

*Job 31:1-12* “1 I DICTATED a **covenant** (an agreement) to my eyes; how then could I look [lustfully] upon a girl? 2 For what portion should I have from God above [if I were lewd], and what heritage from the Almighty on high? 3 **Does not calamity [justly] befall the unrighteous, and disaster the workers of iniquity?** 4 Does not [God] see my ways and count all my steps? 5 If I have walked with falsehood or vanity, or if my foot has hastened to deceit—6 Oh, let me be weighed in a just balance and let Him weigh me, that God may know my integrity!

*“7 If my step has turned out of [God’s] way, and my heart has gone the way my eyes [covetously] invited, and if any spot has stained my hands with guilt, 8 Then let me sow and let another eat; yes, **let the produce of my field or my offspring be rooted out.** 9 **If my heart has been deceived and I made a fool by a woman,** or if I have [covetously] laid wait at my neighbor’s door [until his departure], 10 **Then let my wife grind [meal, like a bonds slave] for another,** and let others bow down upon her. 11 **For [adultery] is a heinous and chief crime,** an iniquity [to demand action by] the judges and punishment. 12 **For [uncontrolled passion] is a fire which consumes to Abaddon (to destruction, ruin, and the place of final torment); [that fire once lighted would rage until all is consumed] and would burn to the root all my [life’s] increase.”***

*Ecclesiastes 7:26 “26 **And I found that [of all sinful follies none has been so ruinous in seducing one away from God as idolatrous women] more bitter than death is the woman whose heart is snares and nets and whose hands are bands. Whoever pleases God shall escape from her, but the sinner shall be taken by her.”***

*Romans 11:16 “For if the first fruits (start or beginning) be holy, the lump is also holy, **and if the root be holy, so are the branches.”***

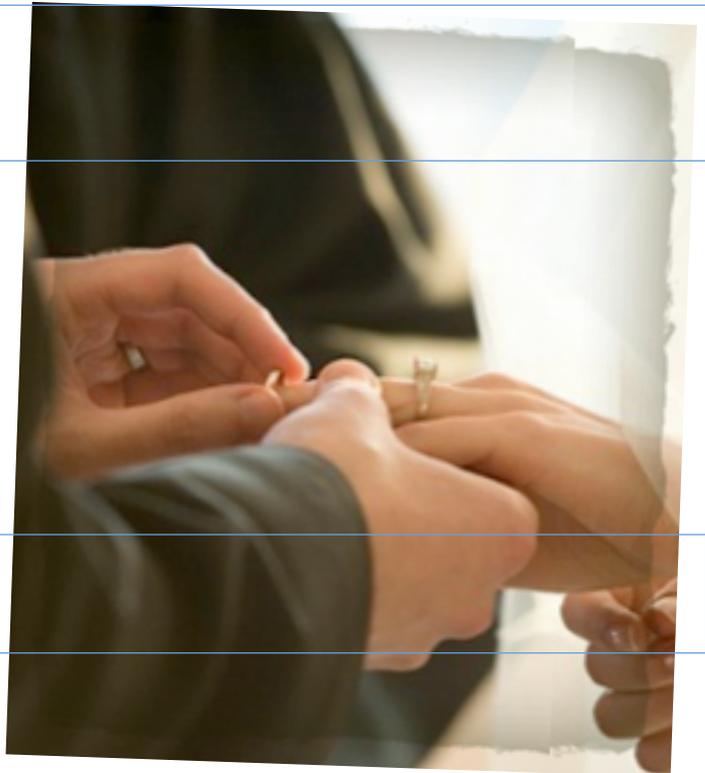
A relationship that originates in righteousness and holiness, brings forth blessed and holy fruit. The opposite also holds true – a relationship originating in sin and adultery, brings forth bad fruit. God created the woman in such a way that the first man she has intercourse with, will rule over her.

*Genesis 3:16 “And thy desire (or longing) shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.”*

Her spirit/soul are created in such a way as to react to the man by nurturing him, loving him and to be his fountain of gratification and blessing all his life. The control a spirit/soul tie gives to a man to rule over his beloved, can often be so strong that he can abuse and insult her – but nevertheless, she is totally bound to him. She can be abused physically and verbally, but she cannot, and oftentimes will not, leave the man.

In the case of harlotry, prostitution, and having many sexual partners, these people's spirit/souls are totally spread amongst all their sexual partners. Their thoughts and emotions are constantly drawn back to their previous experiences and so they struggle to surrender themselves to their marriage partner.

If a woman has sexual relations with several men, her spirit/soul seeks out every one of them. Her spirit is scattered and torn apart. A man's spirit is so built that for each woman he enters, his spirit is built to find, protect, bless, nurture and provide for that woman.



*1 Corinthians 6:18 "Flee fornication. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality, sins against his own body."*

People whose spirit/souls are scattered among many sexual contacts, struggle to communicate sexually with their marriage partners. They are not satisfied by their partner and cannot give themselves totally. They not only look for gratification with other sex partners, but also experiment with indecent sexual practices that develop into perversity. It also leads to lust in other areas of their lives – lust for power, wealth, alcohol, drugs, and so forth. It weakens their characters and they cannot resist temptations.

Relationships with these people always end in frustration and failure. Fantasy and imagination play a significant role which can lead to chronic masturbation, even after salvation.

*James 1:14-15 "But every person is tempted when he is drawn away, enticed and baited by his own evil desire (lusts, passions). Then the evil desire when it has conceived, gives birth to sin, and sin, when it has matured, brings forth death,"*

If a person had other sex partners, the following happens:



Joe marries Jane, but they struggle to find each other – sexual communication (physical and emotional) is crumbling, because Joe is still tied in the spiritual dimension to his previous sex partners. Every pre-marital sexual relationship must be confessed and cut off.

- *Spirit/Soul-ties and divorce.*

After a divorce, soul-ties will your ex-spouse need to be cut.

- *Spirit/Soul-ties and death.*

After the death of a spouse, the spirit/soul-tie also has to be cut. It has been found that the spouse who remains behind, sometimes struggles for a long time to go on with life again. You must break all un-Godly spirit/soul-ties. The more you associate with wrong influences, the stronger the enemy's hold on you becomes. He establishes strongholds in your life and exercises control from those strongholds.

- *Spirit/soul-ties and rape [sexual abuse].*

Rape opens a door and triggers a pattern of sexual abuse. During deliverance the pattern of abuse has to be broken, otherwise this constant attraction of abuse remains established. The spirit/soul-tie must also be cut.

- *"Cheap" sex.*

Having many sexual partners may be portrayed by our society as "cool" and normal ... but the consequences of "cheap" sex are very expensive.

Lust and sin are gratifying for the moment, but man pays a high price later in shame, guilt, humiliation, anger against self, anger against God, and sorrow. It is very difficult for a person who is deeply involved in lust and self gratification to see that he deceives himself in the name of "cheap thrills".

Such a person usually lives a life of denial and he cannot admit that he has done anything wrong in his unchaste past. In his mind there is no sin from his past that needs to be dealt with and he does not want to change his future.

He does not want to make a decision to change his life, because he is enslaved by lust. Years of sin have weakened his character to the point where his desire for good has been destroyed and his decisions to change have been made increasingly difficult.

- *Sexual transference – "viper's eggs".*

**Isaiah 59:5 "5 They hatch adders' eggs and weave the spider's web; he who eats of their eggs dies, and [from an egg] which is crushed a viper breaks out [for their nature is ruinous, deadly, evil]."**

During sexual intercourse transference of evil spirits takes place.



If a child has been molested, the same spirit is transferred to the child and that spirit attracts other spirits. Many times any form of sexual abuse will result in addiction to masturbation. Lust and perversity are also transferred, as well as many other evil spirits.

It is very clearly seen through homosexual contacts. Homosexual spirits are very strong and many struggle to get free.

Satanists also know the power of sexual contact – therefore it forms a very important part of their rituals [this is also why in ancient paganism there were temple prostitutes].

### • *Pornography*<sup>43</sup>.

Spirit/Soul-ties are also formed by fantasy and imagination. The act takes place in the thoughts (Matthew 5:28). These ties must also be cut. Masturbating while viewing the pictures, photographs, and cybersex forms strong spirit/soul-ties and also needs to be

cut and the pictures destroyed in the physical as well as in the mind. The right side of the brain is the area where visions and dreams from the Lord should be seen – instead this has been occupied and defiled by demonic fantasies.

The following is an article exposing the increase in pornography, that people are becoming addicted.

CBN.com<sup>44</sup> — SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Everyone is aware that it is easy to become addicted to cocaine or heroin. But how about pornography? Researchers have made that startling new discovery, and a group of counselors and therapists are warning this addiction may soon become an epidemic.

Pornography may be the new addiction of this new century. Researchers are finding that when people indulge in porn, they release powerful chemicals in their brain and body.

Mark Kastleman, author of *The Drug of the New Millennium*, said, "There are a growing number of therapists and psychologists who are saying that this is as addictive as cocaine, or alcohol, or even heroin".

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<sup>43</sup> For additional resources, we encourage you to check out <http://www.lifemodel.org/>.

<sup>44</sup> <http://www.cbn.com/CBNNews/News/030814a.asp>

Kastleman has been researching and writing about porn addictions for six years, as well as training pastors and counselors on how to deal with it. He explained that, when people view porn, "It causes the brain to release what we call endogenous drugs or endogenous chemicals. *Endogenous* meaning *produced from within*. So where cocaine or alcohol seek to mimic the brain's natural chemicals, pornography releases the real deal. And so we have things like adrenaline, epinephrine, ACTH."

Therapist Dan Gray has counseled 700 to 800 porn addicts. Compared to alcoholics or drug addicts, "Some will have a more difficult time getting off the sexual addictions," Gray said.

Leading sex addiction therapist Patrick Carnes, author of *Facing the Shadow* and *Don't Call It Love*, said, "Now that we understand how the brain functions, and as we are able to get pictures of the brain functioning, we're starting to understand that all addiction is a hijacking of the brain."

One recovering addict named "Sam" told us, "I spent time with Internet pornography instead of my family. I was like a junkie without drugs." Sam says two things told him he was physically addicted to porn: "First, when I kept making excuses to go back and look again and again. And secondly, when I tried to stop and found that I absolutely could not stop."

Pornography has always been around. But today, what once was a hidden, isolated problem, has become a widespread crisis. What's the reason? Blame the Internet, because of what Kastleman calls "the three A's."

"It's accessible. In other words, you hit a button and you're instantly there. It's affordable. Much of it's low-cost or no cost at all. And it's anonymous. And the anonymity is the real key, especially with religious people. They can do it without anyone knowing. So you don't stagger around with a hangover the next day, you don't have needlemarks in your arms."

Carnes said, "The Internet cybersex, we have people who are talking 35, 40, 50 hours a week that they're spending time doing that."

Roughly 40 million people in the U.S. are said to be sexually involved with the Internet.

And another recovering addict, we'll call him "Ed," says everything from soft-core to the hardest of hard-core is right there. "It's as easy as the click of a button to have anything you want at your fingertips," he said.

Carnes said, "There are now people who have problems with sexual compulsion that never would have had them if it hadn't been for the Internet." And as a result, when they are caught, many are losing their jobs. Others see their homes broken up by divorce.

Sam said, "My family was unhappy, I was unhappy, my life was in a shambles frankly ... And the peace that I had enjoyed for so long in my life was gone." Ed recalled, "I was very suicidal ...very depressed. I had reached a point of despair where I thought it was uncorrectable. I was flawed to the point where there was nothing that could be done about me. And so the only alternative was to end my life."

But instead of suicide, Ed found hope and help here in Salt Lake City when he met some of the leading fighters against porn addiction. They live here and have linked up.

Kastleman fights by writing about the porn problem, like in his book, *The Drug of the New Millennium*. And he is starting to hold anti-pornography seminars with counselors, therapists and even pastors.

Porn addiction hits every group, every class, and both genders. And as we found in a city as dominated by religion as Salt Lake City, not even people of faith are immune. Kastleman said, "In the religious community, we're finding this addiction is skyrocketing."

Sam said, "I was a leader in my local church organization. I worked with youth groups. I served in the community. And yet I had this secret life." Then there's Ed. "I developed a dual lifestyle," he explained. "On one hand, we went to church every Sunday ... Yet, on the other hand, I had this addiction."

Kastleman says we live in such a stressful time, and religious believers usually don't allow themselves typical stress-relievers like smoking and drinking. They want to avoid these vices and the appearance of evil. But Internet porn is secret.

Kastleman said, "Now suddenly you have a little mouse where you hit a button, and instantly you get this flood of brain chemicals. No one knows you're doing it and it's completely affordable or no cost at all."

Clinical psychologist Randy Hyde says the religious porn addicts are the last to ever admit their addiction and get help. "They don't want to be seen as some 'sleazebag,' and that's how they see themselves," he explained.

That fear kept Sam trapped in his addiction for years. "The guilt that I felt and the shame, just absolute shame of doing what I was doing. The fear of being caught, the fear of being found out," he said. Sam might still be trapped if he wasn't finally "found out," a humiliating moment that motivated his recovery. "My teenage son walked into an area of the house where I was looking at pornography and walked away, and I didn't know for a few days what had taken place. It was extremely sad. He was upset, my wife was upset, and he and I are still recovering from the damage to our relationship," Sam said.

But all our interviewees agreed that everyone can kick this addiction. It may be really hard, but everyone can get free.

Ed said, "From my experiences, you've got to hit bottom first. You've got to want to recover more than you want life itself. And when you reach that point, then you're willing to surrender it to God."

Sam said, "Just like an alcoholic or a drug abuser, they have a physical addiction and they need help through an addiction recovery program." But with Internet porn proliferating so rapidly, Kastleman expects the addiction rate to skyrocket. He said, "'Do I push the button or do I not?' When have we ever seen that little, that slight [of] a barrier standing between a person and a drug? I mean, we've never seen anything like that in the history of the world."

### *Let's look at the Hebrew understanding of spirit/soul-ties ...*

Interestingly, we find a number of words in both Hebrew and Greek which ALL point to the same meaning/understanding – to be **KNIT** together or joined.



- **CHABAR** [Strong's 2266/2270] meaning:
  - To join,
  - To associate.

*Judges 20:11 "11 So all the men of Israel gathered against the city, united as one man."*

- **QASHAR** [Strong's 7194] meaning:
  - To tie,
  - To gird,
  - To confine,
  - To conspire,
  - To join together.

1 Samuel 18:1 "WHEN DAVID had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was **knit** with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own life."

- **YACHAD** [Strong's 3161/3162] meaning:
  - Unit,
  - To become one.

1 Chronicles 12:17 "17 David went out to meet them and said to them, If you have come peaceably to me to help me, my heart shall be **knit** to you; but if you have come to betray me to my adversaries, although there is no violence or wrong in my hands, may the God of our fathers look upon and rebuke you."

- The Greek word for **KNIT** [Strong's Greek 4822] has the meaning of:
  - To drive together,
  - To infer,
  - To knit together.

Colossians 2:2,19 "2 [For my concern is] that their hearts may be braced (comforted, cheered, and encouraged) as they are **knit** together in love, that they may come to have all the abounding wealth and blessings of assured conviction of understanding, and that they may become progressively more intimately acquainted with and may know more definitely and accurately and thoroughly that mystic secret of God, [which is] Christ (the Anointed One). 19 And not holding fast to the Head, from Whom the entire body, supplied and **knit** together by means of its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God."



The pictorial meaning of these words is also largely the same:

- **CH** [Chet] – symbolizing a chuppah, sign, life, or tent.
- **B** [Bet] – a house or the battleground of the free-will.
- **R** [Resh] – mankind in submission/leading.

In the first picture we get marriage as a sign/covenant of LIFE, which is represented by a house where a man and a woman have exercised their freedom of choice to walk in submission to one another.

- **Y** [Yod] – open hand of blessing.
- **CH** [Chet] – symbolizing a chuppah, sign, life, or tent.
- **D** [Dalet] – a portal and/or doorway.

In this second picture, marriage is symbolized as an open hand that reveals blessings as a sign of the covenant, where the heart of both people are an open portal to each other.



Intimacy is therefore a visible sign of the imprint that God put on mankind as a blessing. Man's evil, false, and misuse of God's Gift will cause destruction.

*Proverbs 6:32 "32 But whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks heart and understanding (moral principle and prudence); he who does it is destroying his own life."*

This word "destruction" – **SHACHATH** [Strong's 7843] – means "to decay, to mar, to cause to perish, to spill, and refers to the vitality that is the spirit of man".

Pictorially we see the following:

- **SH** [Shin] – symbolizing a tooth or chewing.
- **K** [Kaf] – to bend or to cause to subdue.
- **T** [Tav] – a seal or a place of judgment.
- **H** [Hey] – brokenness.

The illicit use of intimacy/adultery will have the result that you will be chewed up with guilt until your mind is in a place of judgment and your spirit is broken.

## *Conclusion ...*

As we have seen, GODLY spirit/soul-ties are very much beneficial and healthy – they have been designed by the LORD to knit people together in marriage, family, and friendship. However, as important and sacred as these ties are, the enemy has used them in un-Godly ways, which bring such destruction and pain. It is these un-Godly spirit/soul-ties which must be severed and broken. We will be looking at how to come to healing and restoration from un-Godly spirit/soul-ties in the later parts of this manual.

