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Father, give me the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation that I might know you better. Lord, open the eyes of my heart that I might know the Hope to which you have called me. Let nothing shake me from that Hope. O God, because the one who spoke that Hope never changes. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen!

Exo 20:4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; 6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

There are three words referred to in these lines – Sin, Transgression and iniquity.

It is important to understand the fundamental concept here.

When we face a problem, we go before God, confess to Him, seek forgiveness for our sins and receive forgiveness. Very often we return to our old ways and do the same thing all over again, and we wonder what the problem is. The problem is not with Sin but with Iniquity. **There is iniquity in us which we generate through a practice of sin. There is also iniquity that is passed on through the generations.** Through the generations are passed on both blessings and curses. Sometimes there is also a generational iniquity which is passed on which manifests itself in different ways. You may have wondered why your little child's tantrums are uncontrollable. Or you may yourself be subject to bouts of fury and anger against your will but you can't help it.

When you look back you may see that your father, your grandfather and your great grandfather all had short tempers and it seems to have passed on to you. This applies to just about everything – that which we call sin can become iniquity and can be passed on.

Let us now take a look at sin. In the bible the term for sin in Greek is 'hamartia' which means missing the mark. So when does one sin? **Whenever we are not like Jesus Christ we have sinned because the standard that God has set for us is Jesus. Everytime we miss the mark, we sin.**

Transgression is to break or violate a law or an oath while iniquity is perversity and beyond it. It is the attitude of rebellion and resides much deeper within.

Isa 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Psa 66:18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

Sin is much easier to tackle than iniquity. we are very conscious about sin, we are aware of it as soon as we sin. yet it is iniquity that empowers sin. When iniquity resides within us after a while it grows stronger and stronger till it reaches a point where demons enter in and inhabit it as a stronghold.

2Co 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalted itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

With spiritual weapons we demolish arguments and all pretensions that are set up above the knowledge of God. These very arguments and pretensions are iniquity. Iniquity is the knowledge at the back of our minds that keeps on justifying sin. It gives "the legal cover for sin" and usually starts with the excuse "God understands", or "it is no problem you can do it" or "everybody is doing it". Iniquity builds up all kinds of arguments which it rates above the knowledge of Christ. The only way we overcome iniquity is by pulling down every one of those thoughts and bringing them to the captivity of Christ Jesus.

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We should never elevate our understanding of any situation or problem above the Word of God. The Word of God is the Truth. If there is anything in our understanding which does not agree with the Word of God, it is iniquity. Most of us struggle with accepting the fact that we have iniquity within. Iniquity within! Iniquity keeps pushing us on to sin and if it remains untackled we keep repeating our sins over and over again till the problem becomes enormous. King David's got into trouble not just on his own account but because it was a generational iniquity as well.

Exo 20:5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

if one had even a great great grandfather who was an idol worshipper, the iniquity is passed down. Scripture urges us to believe that we are new creations in Christ Jesus. This is true on paper but becomes a reality to each one of us only when we break down the strongholds within. However, if we continue to function according to the thought patterns of our former selves, iniquity is empowered in our lives.

People all over the world struggle with iniquity. God warned us that if we created an image of anything in heaven above or on earth below, if we replaced the Word of God with anything else then iniquity would enter in and would be passed on. Each and every one of us can pass on iniquity to our children and we should take great care when we advise our children, that our counsel is godly and not picked from the philosophers of the secular world. Much of what child psychologists say today is acquired from the big names, the fathers of psychology like Freud and Jung. But what the secular world doesn't know is that each one of them had a personal demon from whom they heard. In his memoirs Karl Jung talks about a personal demon who used to advise him. Though this is not spoken of anymore for they do not believe in demons, their books are published and studied in universities across the world. Impressive and plausible reports in newspapers convince the readers to accept it as a good way to deal with children. In doing so we have exalted a doctrine of a demon above that of the Word of God and we face trouble.

The word of God is unchanging – His yes is yes and His no is no. When He says 'I have exalted my Word above the heavens' we need to take care that no matter what we may be going through, whatever the situation, we do not lift our understanding and ideas above His Word.

Recently I was online chatting and calling up the men of God in Karnataka, who are facing a very tough time, intimidation and personal attacks and various types of persecution. They kept relating to me their struggles and feelings for discouragement and asked me what I had to say about it. All I could say was what scripture tells us

Mat 5:11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. 12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Though things may seem incomprehensible and out of our control we need to do what God tells us to and not raise any thought or idea above the Word of God. In the New Testament the book which deals most with persecution is the book of Acts. John and Peter when they were whipped rejoiced for having been counted worthy to share in the sufferings of Christ Jesus. Paul and Silas, whipped and put into stocks were singing and praying at midnight. In the face of persecution they do not lift any idea above the Word of God. When we lift an idea above the Word of God and keep on practicing it, it grows into a power in itself and becomes iniquity, which starts feeding into our sin. At this stage, even if we want to break away from this sin, we are unable to do so. If you are struggling in any area, check to see if you can find a pattern to it, if it gets repeated frequently. If you are failing over and over again in the same area then there is iniquity within. This includes poverty. It is not God's will that people should be poor, that they should lack. Poverty can come as a part of generational iniquity passed on.

Many years ago, possibly in 1998, I visited a very close friend in Delhi as I was travelling up from Assam. I am talking of the days when the IT boom hadn't as yet taken place. My friend was drawing a monthly salary of 35,000 rupees and his wife was employed as well. Yet he did not have enough money to buy biscuits for his children and I

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ended up giving him money. I asked him "what's the problem?" and he said, "James, I do not know, I tithe, I try to do everything right." He was a believer. In the days when I had just come to the Lord, he was a source of strength for me. I had seen his whole family, his mother and brothers were all strong committed believers. yet I had also seen his father struggling with his finances - he never seemed to have enough. They were once extremely wealthy, owning a forty acre estate in Kerala with a river flowing through it. suddenly they lost it all.

I asked him to think back to the time when the losses began. He remembered that once, for a festival the temple priests came and asked his father for a few plantains to decorate the temple. His father, with great pride said, "Take fifty from my estate". The decline began soon after that. I was able to show him with reference to the scripture that they had taken something that belonged God and had given it to an idol. we prayed together to break the curse. Today, the family is out of debt and each one of them has prospered. He is in London with his wife, his brother is an Air Force officer, another in Kuwait, and the youngest is in the US. His father too came out of debt before he died.

We need to be aware that we can pass this on. Idolatry leads to iniquity which leads to bondage.

Sin and transgression began in the Garden of Eden. Adam and Eve were given only one law –not to eat from the tree. They broke the law and they sinned and transgressed. **To transgress means to violate, to break. Sin and transgression began in the Garden, Iniquity began outside Eden.**

Gen 4:13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.

The original translation in Hebrew is 'My iniquity is greater than I can bear.' The first time iniquity is mentioned in the Hebrew text is in Genesis 4:13. So iniquity came through Cain, while sin and transgression came through Adam and Eve. We get to see iniquity being passed on and the next murder takes place down the line. in a family line iniquity may appear as one thing in a generation, skip a couple of generations and re-appear as something totally. the iniquity may be associated with a variety of problems. There may be anger or drunkenness, which manifests in one generation as anger and in another as drunkenness and yet further on manifests once again.

Abraham lied about Sarah saying she was his sister. Later we see that Isaac, a godly person, repeats the same lie. By the time we reach the third generation Jacob is a confirmed liar and from the fourth generation on they are murderers. They have moved beyond lying - they put an entire city to the sword. We get to see how sin passes on to become iniquity. Thank God for the Cross, because the only way iniquity can be broken is at the cross and nowhere else.

Both Exodus 34 and Exodus 20 state the same thing – the forgiving of iniquity, transgression and sin, all three.

Exo 34:7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

Do you see the connection? The hurdles we face are linked with iniquity. Somewhere along the line something happened or we repeated some sin several times over till it became an obstruction and now we find we are not able to get beyond it. God sees it. When we cry out for His forgiveness, He forgives.

David committed adultery, deception and murder. Iniquity set in and passed on. His son Amnon raped his half-sister Tamar, her brother Absalom killed Amnon. Absalom rebelled against his father and slept with his father's concubines and was then killed. Solomon killed most of his brothers and took several hundred wives and concubines. After Solomon the family line is in utter chaos. Every now and then a king rose, different from his predecessor, yet the next king was more evil than those before.

Paul cries out about this in his letter to the Romans

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Ro:7:15: For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. 16: If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

What he discusses here is iniquity not sin. iniquity has power and empowers sin. Did God forgive David of his sin? Yes He did. But the iniquity passed on.

Mat 1:5 And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse; 6 And Jesse begat David the king;

David's father was Jesse whose father was Obed, and his father was Boaz. Though we look only at three generations here we see Ruth, a moabitess and a Rahab a Canaanite, in it. Through their line they brought in every form of idolatry and wickedness possible though they were not wicked. They trusted in the Living God of Israel by faith. But God detested those races and they entered into David's line. It seems as if even before we have begun our walk we are cut short. That's why God says in

Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge:

It is Adam who started the chain and in Christ it was broken because He took it all upon Himself. We are unable to break out of our iniquity because we are raising ideas above the knowledge of God's Word. There is no point in discussing such an issue unless God speaks of a solution. As long as we live we will have to deal with iniquity – when we work on one area in our lives, God starts showing other areas which need to be dealt with.

Scripture shows us how to deal with it and this requires that we humble ourselves and accept the Word of God that is planted in us. Unlike what the world means by humility, humbling in the Word of God will cause us to say "Lord, even if it costs me, even if it hurts me, I will still believe that Your Word is True and I will not lift my thoughts above Your Word." This is the only way we can overcome. Most people who are struggling with iniquity have also suffered much in life because of their own iniquity and that of their forefathers. Suffering shapes the way in which we view the world. We may experience years of torture, nevertheless despite our feelings it is what the Word of God speaks about us which is true. We allow our experiences to shape and dictate our perspective. This is true of pastors too. A pastor may have a certain experience and goes on to use that as a measure of standard. For eg. He may have an experience with the Spirit of God which may have nothing to do with anyone else and when he comes to the pulpit he declares that since he had such an experience all the congregation should be touched the same way. Though we may be freed from our iniquity in a day we are not truly free until we replace it with the Word of God. This is the area in which most people fail, caught in a battle of life and death.

In the book of Ezekiel God talks about iniquity as a stumbling block.

Eze 14:1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.

Who is Ezekiel talking about? Himself! He is not a false prophet. The people before him are the elders of Israel, not criminals or thieves. Outwardly all seem like good righteous people. Yet The Word of God says:

Eze 14:2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 3 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

God speaks of a stumbling block of iniquity - an idol in their hearts. They have approached the prophet of God with an idol in their hearts. Remember Exodus 4:24. Idols lead to iniquity. The idol in their hearts makes them stumble into iniquity.

Eze 14:4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

What is God telling us?

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What is an idol? Basically, an idol is when we replace what God wants for us with that we want for ourselves. Here is a common thing that people do. They have a desire for something which makes them uncomfortable, knowing it is not right, that God does not like it. Then they open their Bibles seeking a confirmatory word from God to indulge their desire. He speaks then according to the idol in their hearts. Some others seek out prophets, looking for a word from them to confirm their choice – for an idol residing within. The answer of confirmation only causes them to stumble into iniquity.

Many marriages have broken because the husband left the wife or vice-versa for another person, saying that the Lord was speaking to them that the woman (or man) was meant for him (her) and every time they opened the bible they got a confirmatory word! We hear this frequently - I am talking about believers. They can justify leaving their spouse because they 'sought the Lord for counsel and the counsel came'.

When we seek something from God even though it is already revealed in His Word we get a confirmation according to the idol in our hearts. There are so many things which we don't need to ask, which are already made clear in the Word. When we know what God is asking of us and try to change His mind we receive our answer according to the idol within. As a result, we stumble into idolatry and into iniquity and before we know it, it starts controlling us. By the time realisation hits us iniquity has become a force that has taken charge. We wonder how we got so easily fooled. We lift a desire, an idea over and above what the Word of God says. This is happening everywhere, in the church, in our lives, in our offices. God says that iniquity will increase in the last days and if we are not careful He Himself will allow a delusion to take place.

2Th:2:7: For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. 8: And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 9: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10: And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11: And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

Let us look at the case of Lot's two daughters. Lot was called a righteous man in the New Testament yet he lived in the midst of sin, transgression and iniquity. God rescued him and his two daughters bringing them out of Sodom. But what happened after that? His daughters had lived in the midst of sin, transgression and iniquity and that became their model - the strongholds were already established in their minds. We need to pay attention to the ideas we put into the minds of our children, in their formative years. Later on, these same ideas will form the basis on which they make their decisions.

Gen 19:31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth: 32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

The daughters make a choice – 'After the manner of all the earth', according to the culture from which they came, according to what was inside. It is like a computer which will only work on the software program loaded in it. They learnt in Sodom that every kind of sexual relationship was permissible Therefore incest too was acceptable. The matter didn't trouble them. God can bring us out of Sodom and Gomorrah, He can destroy it, He can even show it to us as a sign but when we come out of it we bring its iniquity in our heads and our decisions continue to be shaped by it. The daughters got their father drunk and slept with him to become pregnant. Their children? Moab and Ammon.

Gen 19:37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day. 38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Benammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

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1Ki 11:5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. 6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as did David his father. 7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.

It reached all the way down to Solomon because he married Ammonite and Moabite women. These women came with idols and the dangerous nature of these idols were the demonic powers behind them. What did Lot's daughters desire over and above God's will? They wanted children. The entire race of Moab and Ammon is birthed on a desperation through wicked means. The gods of Ammon and Moab demand the lives of their children - Molech, Baal, Ashtoreth are all interchangeable names, appearing in different cultures and countries under different names.

Jer 19:5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:

Infants are offered as burnt offerings to Baal over here. This is the price of iniquity - demonic powers have taken over and the Israelites are offering their babies as sacrifices.

Jer 32:35 And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.

Where are the Moabites and Ammonites today? We may think they are long gone but they are still around, we just don't know them by their names. The iniquity is still being passed on.

Amo 1:13 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:

These are Ammonites and this is the sacrifice being offered to Molech or Baal or whichever God at that point they are serving. They ripped open pregnant women in Gilead to expand their borders. There are a couple of things to note here - they ripped open pregnant women and offered those babies as sacrifices to Molech so that they could enlarge their territories. In the twenty first century those shrines are called abortion clinics. Our stand is not a matter of pro-choice or pro-life. It is about whether we worship Jehovah or Molech. Governments around the world have legalized the worship of Molech. Most of those who opt for abortion do it so that they can enlarge their territory - a better life, a hindrance to career or lifestyle, unwilling to save the new life. The Iniquity has passed on.

Where did it start? It started with Lot, the nephew of the great Abraham. Iniquity has passed on down through the ages and today we have shrines of Molech all around the world. In the United States of America alone forty million babies have been sacrificed. It has become a world-wide demonic hold, ripping away the lives of unborn babies. The power of iniquity is so great that if it is not tackled, even a godly man like David can fall so dreadfully.

God's plan for Israel was that He would bring them to the Promised Land and that He would be their God and they His people. They kept asking for a king because they wanted to be like the other nations. Most often we ask God for things so that we can be like the others. God granted their desire but see what He has to say about it:

Hos 13:11 I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took him away in my wrath.

If we keep asking Him He grants our desire, but it will be given in His anger and taken away in His wrath. Why did Israel want a king? Were they unhappy? No, they just wanted to be like others. They did not want to be the way God wanted them to be. We need to beware of the pressure by which the world tries to mould us.

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Young unmarried people, do you keep asking God for a particular person as spouse even though he or she doesn't believe in God? He may grant it to you in His anger and then take it away in His wrath. Sometimes God grants mercy but we can't make our decisions based on hopes that His mercy will be granted ten years down the line. Do you keep asking for a job? Ask instead what He will have you do, what He has planned for you, which job He has marked out for you. Don't set up an idol which becomes a stumbling block of iniquity in your life. You can't see ahead, to the next generation, and perhaps you may not experience any effect of the iniquity in your life. But your children might reap the harvest. Don't be deceived into thinking that you have escaped the impact of your sin, your wrong choices, the idols within. Did you marry against God's will for you and did your spouse become a believer later? The iniquity does not leave, it turns up later. In the next generation or even after, the children may walk away from the Lord or perhaps there is not a single believer among them. We are dealing with the eternal and not just temporary matters. We are inundated with a flood of strange doctrines that talk about life as the here and now. To the believer, 'Here' is where we extend His Kingdom but life is all about 'there' in the eternal kingdom.

Let us now look for the solution that God offers.

Neh 9:2 And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers. 3 And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the LORD their God one fourth part of the day; and another fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

There is no way out of iniquity unless there is a confession. The children of Israel are in a mess and Nehemiah gets them all together and two things happen - a separation and a confession. In the new covenant, separation is not about leaving people but leaving those things which cause us to sin. God asks us to first separate ourselves from things within like addiction to TV, pornography, drugs which are iniquity and not just sin. Hundreds of young people cry out in their drug addiction, nervous breakdowns and depression which are demonic problems. What did Israel confess? They confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers. Since we do not know of the things in the past, by faith we confess the sins and iniquity of our fore fathers.

No matter how many generations back we go, somewhere up the ancestral line we were all idol worshippers. Every Indian ancestor was an idol worshipper. This also means that the iniquity has passed on to us. God promises us the freedom that is in Christ. It is what Nehemiah claimed. When we stand up and confess for our ancestors, we are standing in their place. They may be dead but we are standing in their place and saying, "We are sorry for what our fore fathers did." Perhaps they did things they did not know of, but Ignorance is not a virtue in the Kingdom of God. It is not a simple thing we do. We just start with a simple minor prayer but as we start inhaling and exhaling deeply demons start getting expelled. People start yawning or throwing up. During deliverance when demons start coming out many are amazed, not knowing there were demons inside, residing in the flesh for many years. But the place left void after the demon is expelled should be replaced with the Word of God or else the demon seeks seven others and returns with greater power. Don't imagine that demons can't get into Christians, they love them because they can safely hide within without being recognized. Unbelievers often recognise there are demons within.

Gal 3:10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them. 11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith. 12 And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them. 13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: 14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

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Amen! We are learning everyday what the Word of God talks. Let us stand up.

think just for a few minutes. this is something which you can do on your own in your house as well. God says each one of us is a priest. perhaps you have a recurrent problem or you see a pattern in your family like finances, depression, frequent illness, short temper, obsession with pornography, addictions, alcohol, smoking. Any thing which you are unable to break away from. you need to open your mouth and speak them out. Open your mouth and speak out. Then say 'in the Name of Jesus' I renounce..... It works. Don't worry about being embarrassed for this concerns your freedom. By faith you break the iniquity of your fore fathers over the rest of your household. Suddenly you will see things happening, your family will start receiving the Lord, because it is the iniquity that has been blocking them. Their eyes were closed, shut tight, stopping them from seeing God.

Pray along with me:

Father I come to you Lord in the Name of Jesus, there is no other name O Lord through which I can come. I thank you for the Blood of Jesus, I believe He died for me; I believe He became a curse for me on the cross O Master. And in Him every curse over my life was broken. Father now I stand in the gap and I confess O God, the iniquities of our fore fathers whatever it is oh God (now if you know anything specific about your fore fathers, say maybe your father used to drink or your grandfather used to drink. This is the time you can speak it out, say "I renounce ...") I renounce depression, I renounce poverty in the Name of Jesus. I renounce every form of addiction in the Name of Jesus. I renounce every form of ungodly soul ties in the Name of Jesus, every ungodly soul tie in the Name of Jesus. And I call back the parts of my soul in the Name of Jesus that has been yoked to unbelievers. I belong to Jesus and Jesus alone. Poverty you have no hold over me. Sickness you have no hold over me. Depression you have no hold over me. I have been made whole in Christ Jesus. In Jesus I have been made complete. I declare what is written in the Book of Galatians as a seed of Abraham I receive the promise of the Holy Spirit into my life and I will walk in the Spirit and I will walk in Power and I will overcome the flesh everyday and I will fulfill His purpose in my life. I also break the curse over other family members in my life, over my spouse, over my children, over my parents over all my relatives. I break the power of blindness over their eyes, the stumbling block of iniquity and I release Light into their lives. Light that comes from The God, thank you Father, thank you Father. Help me oh Spirit of God to exalt Your Word every day of my life over and above everything else. Thank you Father, for in Jesus' Name we pray Amen!

Father we thank you Father, your truth is liberating oh God. Your truth is so powerful oh God! Father we have heard and we have believed now we go from this place. Help us to go with Your peace and walk in that peace. The flesh is weak but the Spirit is willing. Father help us to walk in the Spirit as Your Word says in Romans 8 O God, to put to death the works of the flesh by the power of the Holy Spirit and your Word says God in Romans 8 as many as are led by the Spirit shall be called the sons and daughters of the Living God. Thank You father, thank You, thank You. As Your children go into a new week, may Your presence go with each one of us. Father we need your Spirit more than ever oh God that we may walk in your grace, because we know Lord as David said, "If I consider iniquity in my heart, You will not listen, and we want you to listen O God. Who else do we have O God? If You turn Your face from us O God, to whom can we go Father? But You have said in Your Word oh God that our iniquities have separated us from You Lord. Today we have confessed oh God, today we have confessed. We sought Your forgiveness and we have sought Your deliverance and we believe oh God today, we cry out to You Lord in the privacy of our homes, we will hear the sweet voice of the Holy Spirit and we will hear loud and clear from the Holy Spirit, each one will hear from Your Holy Spirit. Things they are troubled with, doubts and confusions they have oh God, they will start hearing from you oh God! Oh Lord one word from You oh God, it's more than a volume from a man oh God! One word oh God one word. And I'm believing for Your people here today oh God that they are going to hear from You. Thank You father, thank You, Father we praise You, we worship You, and I thank You Father for Your Spirit that has enabled me to stand here in Your presence, thank You Father that Your Word is true. Thank You Father that when we are weak, we are strong oh God. Father we love You, we love You Jesus all because of You, all because of You, my sin my transgression, my iniquity You took on the cross and we release Your power, Your freedom in my life. Thank You Father, thank You Lord thank You. Father we praise You, we worship You, for in Jesus' precious Name we pray, Amen!

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Now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit rest and abide with each one of You. Amen!