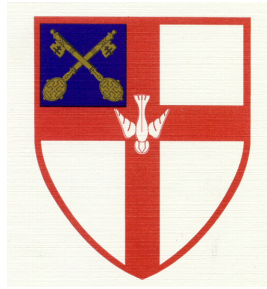


## General Introduction



### How Sins of the Fathers and Curses are Related to Soul/Spirit Hurts

Sins of the Fathers put pressure on the next generation to enter into those same sins. Sometimes a person, through Godly teaching and commitment, is able to withstand those pressures. Most commonly, however, the sins are continued, with the usual consequences of the hurts being inflicted on others as well as on the person who is sinning. Think of the number of hurts caused by an alcoholic, especially if he is married and has children. Usually, the immediate family, friends, and business associates, are all affected. The resulting Curses seem to always involve some form of alienation, destruction, or death, causing major hurts.

### How Sins of the Fathers and Curses are Related to Demonic Oppression

Sins of the Fathers and Curses work hand in hand with demons to create an ugly, vicious, cycle. The initial sin gives an opening for demons to enter. Then, once established, the demons endeavor to go down the family line, where they cause pressure on the descendants to sin in the same way as their fathers. The sin is license for the demons to stay, and so the cycle continues generation after generation.

Thus, we see that demons may be the agents that carry out the curses that come from Sins of the Fathers.

### Preparing for Ministry

As we prepare to minister to an individual, we like to pray beforehand and ready ourselves to hear God on behalf of our counselee. One aid that helps us in this preparation is the Generational Patterns Form. We have included a copy of this form on the next several pages. As we pray with the information on this form in our minds, God highlights and pinpoints major issues in the persons life, as well as frequently showing us the root causes underneath the symptoms. This information also helps to reduce the counseling interview time, as we come to the first session already aware of the key information and the Lord's direction for ministry.

Prayer: Lord, I desire to be fully cleansed and restored, so that I can be an effective warrior in your army and so that I can know you more intimately. I ask that your Holy Spirit reveal to me those areas where I need freedom from the Sins of my Fathers and the resulting Curses. As I use this material, show me what applies to me, and what the roots are. Thank you Lord, for your death on the Cross that provides the basis for my freedom. In the mighty Name of Jesus, Amen.

#### Resources

- Smith, Patricia. From Generation to Generation. A Manual for Healing.
- Kylstra, Chester and Betsy. Restoring the Foundations.
- Davidson, Mike and Cathie. Net Mending. A Prayer Ministry Manual

## **Generational Sins and Curses**

(see detailed checklist on pages 4-6)

1. Identify, by name, the people in your family who ...
  - Were very superstitious, involved in pagan worship, cults or the occult.
  - Died tragic ways, (e.g., suicide, accident, murder, etc.)
  - Had miscarriages, abortions, or stillborn babies.
  - Died without being committed to God, or feeling unloved or abandoned (e.g., in a mental institution, nursing home, prison, etc.)
  - Were considered outcasts, rejects, or black sheep.
  - Had a problem with addictions (e.g., food alcohol, drugs, work, etc.)
  - Were depressed, angry, bitter, unforgiving, vengeful.
  - Were involved in sexual perversions (e.g., adultery, pornography, prostitution, incest, etc.)
  
2. Identify what you would consider to be “patterns” of sin in your family tree, for instances:
  - Anger temper physical abuse sexual abuse promiscuity
  - Holding grudges racial prejudices unforgiveness revenge murder arrogance jealousy materialism greed lust
  
3. What health problems seem to be prominent in your family, for instance:
  - Cancer heart trouble high blood pressure diabetes arthritis skin problems respiratory trouble headaches mental retardation mental disturbances ulcers psychological problems nervous breakdowns forgetfulness

# GENERATIONAL PATTERNS QUESTIONNAIRE

The following is for your personal use to assist you in understanding your heritage

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## General Questions:

From what country or countries did your ancestors originally come?

\_\_\_\_\_

What are the prominent ethnic backgrounds of your ancestors?

\_\_\_\_\_

What are the church backgrounds of your ancestors?

\_\_\_\_\_

In what geographic areas within America have they primarily lived their lives?

\_\_\_\_\_

Is it possible that they were connected with slavery, i.e., either owners, traders, or slaves? \_\_\_\_\_

Is it likely that they were involved in unfair business practices?

\_\_\_\_\_

On a scale of 1 to 10, indicate how much each parent loved you. Give examples of how they showed their love. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Who in your life has caused you the most pain or disappointment? Give examples of how they did it.

\_\_\_\_\_

List the main issues in your life that you and God are working on at this time.

## Family Patterns: (Please check if common in your immediate or extended family.)

(Note: Your extended family includes aunts, uncles, and cousins.)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of intimacy in marriage           | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of communication between parents and children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of communication between spouses  | <input type="checkbox"/> Children idolized                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women dominant over men                | <input type="checkbox"/> Favoritism shown among children                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men dominant over women                | <input type="checkbox"/> Children not valued                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family idolatry (sports, beauty, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Most received salvation                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family secrets                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Most were not saved                                |

**Possible Open Doors (Gen 4:7):**

Please put a check under the **A** (Ancestors) category if you know or see this characteristic, happening, or involvement in your immediate or extended family. If it is (or was) also true for you, put a "C" for current or a "P" for past in the **S** (Self) category.

**A S**

**INFIRMITIES/DISEASE**

- Accidents
- Barrenness
- Physical Abnormalities
- Mental Illness
- Fatigue
- Migraines
- Cancer
- Diabetes
- Asthma
- Premature Death
  
- Control**
- Women Control of Family
- Men Control of Family
- Manipulation
- Possessiveness
- Domineering
- Witchcraft

**A S**

**FEARS**

- Over-sensitivity
- Anxiety
- Worry
- Burdens
- Heaviness
- Horror Movies
- Superstition
- Phobias
- of Authorities
- of Man
- of Punishment
- of Death
- of Rejection
- of Infirmities
- of Cancer
- of Heart Attack
- of Diabetes
- of Being a Victim

**A S**

**SEXUAL SINS**

- Premarital Sex
- Adultery
- Lust/Fantasy Lust
- Masturbation
- Exposure
- Pornography
- Fornication
- Sexual Abuse
- Prostitution/ Harlotry
- Seduction
- Frigidness
- Homosexuality/Lesbianism
- Bestiality
- Incest
- Rape

**OCCULT**

- Astro Projection
- Astrology
- Automatic Writing
- Black Magic
- Clairvoyance
- Casting a Spell or Hex
- Crystal Balls
- Dispatching Demons
- Eight Ball
- ESP
- Fortune Telling
- Hand writing Analysis
- Horoscopes
- Hypnosis
- I Ching
- Levitation
- Mental Telepathy
- Necromancy

- Non-Christian Exorcism
- Ouija Board
- Palm Reading
- Past Life Readings
- Pendulum
- Psychic Healing
- Science Fantasy
- Séances
- Sorcery
- Spirit Guide(s)
- Spiritism
- Tea Leaves
- T.M.
- Tarot Cards
- Voodoo
- Water Witching
- White Magic

- Yoga Meditation
- Made a blood pact
- Made a blood oath or vow
- Heavy-metal music
- Owned Occult Jewelry
- Occult / Witchcraft Books
- Seen many horror movies
- Seen many science fantasy movies
- Visited pagan temples
- Acupuncture
- Martial Arts (some forms)

**Secret Organizations, Cults, False Religions, Occult, and Mind Control:**

(The following are examples of groups which omit the foundations of the Christian Faith, such as the Trinity, the Atonement, the Blood of Jesus, or the Divinity of Jesus.)

**A S**

- Armstrong / Radio Church of God
- Bahai
- Buddhism
- Christian Science
- Demolay
- Eastern Star
- Edgar Cayce
- Fraternities
- Hari Khrisna

- Indians
- Islam
- Jehovah's Witness
- K K K
- Knights of Columbus
- Moonies
- Mormonism
- Rainbow Girls
- Religious Science
- Rosacrucianism
- Satanism

- Shriners
- Silva Mind Control
- Sororities
- Swedenborgianism
- The Way International (renamed the Christian Education Society)
- Unitarian Church
- Masonic Lodge
- Freemasons

**A S****ABANDONMENT**

- \_\_\_ Not Wanted
- \_\_\_ Not Belonging
- \_\_\_ Victim
- \_\_\_ Isolation
- \_\_\_ Loneliness

**ADDICTIONS/  
DEPENDENCIES/  
ESCAPE**

- \_\_\_ Cocaine
- \_\_\_ Downers/Uppers
- \_\_\_ Marijuana
- \_\_\_ Non-prescription  
Drugs
- \_\_\_ Prescription Drugs
- \_\_\_ Street Drugs
- \_\_\_ Tranquilizers
- \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_ Alcohol
- \_\_\_ Caffeine
- \_\_\_ Food
- \_\_\_ Gambling
- \_\_\_ Nicotine
- \_\_\_ Pornography
- \_\_\_ Sports
- \_\_\_ Television
- \_\_\_ Video Games
- \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**ANGER**

- \_\_\_ Frustration
- \_\_\_ Resentment
- \_\_\_ Temper Tantrums
- \_\_\_ Spoiled little boy / girl
- \_\_\_ Hatred
- \_\_\_ Rage

**ANXIETY**

- \_\_\_ Burden
- \_\_\_ False Responsibility
- \_\_\_ Fatigue
- \_\_\_ Heaviness
- \_\_\_ Nervousness
- \_\_\_ Restlessness
- \_\_\_ Weariness
- \_\_\_ Worry

**BITTERNESS**

- \_\_\_ Complaining
- \_\_\_ Ridicule
- \_\_\_ Murmuring
- \_\_\_ Gossiping
- \_\_\_ Blaming
- \_\_\_ Criticalness
- \_\_\_ Judging
- \_\_\_ Unforgiveness

**A S****COMPETITION**

- \_\_\_ Driving
- \_\_\_ Jealousy
- \_\_\_ Possessiveness
- \_\_\_ Striving

**DECEPTION**

- \_\_\_ Confusion
- \_\_\_ Lying
- \_\_\_ Self Deception

**DEPRESSION**

- \_\_\_ Despondency
- \_\_\_ Despair
- \_\_\_ Discouragement
- \_\_\_ Hopelessness
- \_\_\_ Withdrawal
- \_\_\_ Insomnia
- \_\_\_ Over Sleeping
- \_\_\_ Self Pity
- \_\_\_ Suicide Attempt
- \_\_\_ Suicide Fantasies

**ESCAPE**

- \_\_\_ Fantasy
- \_\_\_ Forgetfulness
- \_\_\_ Lethargy
- \_\_\_ Passivity
- \_\_\_ Procrastination
- \_\_\_ Withdrawal

**FINANCIAL  
PATTERNS**

- \_\_\_ Greed
- \_\_\_ Irresponsible Spending
- \_\_\_ Job Failures
- \_\_\_ Job Losses
- \_\_\_ Poverty
- \_\_\_ Stinginess

**GREED**

- \_\_\_ Cheating
- \_\_\_ Covetousness
- \_\_\_ Idolatry
- \_\_\_ Stealing

**GRIEF**

- \_\_\_ Loss
- \_\_\_ Sadness
- \_\_\_ Sorrow

**MENTAL ILLNESS**

- \_\_\_ Crazyness
- \_\_\_ Compulsions
- \_\_\_ Confusion
- \_\_\_ Hallucinations
- \_\_\_ Hysteria
- \_\_\_ Insanity

**A S**

- \_\_\_ Paranoia
- \_\_\_ Schizophrenia
- \_\_\_ Senility

**PRIDE**

- \_\_\_ Arrogance
- \_\_\_ Self Importance
- \_\_\_ Vanity

**REBELLION**

- \_\_\_ Insubordination
- \_\_\_ Lying
- \_\_\_ Stubbornness
- \_\_\_ Undermining

**REJECTION**

- \_\_\_ Perceived Rejection
- \_\_\_ Perfectionism
- \_\_\_ Self Rejection

**RELIGION**

- \_\_\_ Legalism / Rules
- \_\_\_ Antichrist

**SHAME**

- \_\_\_ Guilt
- \_\_\_ Embarrassment
- \_\_\_ Condemnation
- \_\_\_ Self Accusation

**STRIFE**

- \_\_\_ Arguing
- \_\_\_ Bickering
- \_\_\_ Cursing
- \_\_\_ Mocking

**TRAUMA**

- \_\_\_ Accident
- \_\_\_ Loss
- \_\_\_ Violence
- \_\_\_ Physical Abuse
- \_\_\_ Verbal Abuse
- \_\_\_ Emotional Abuse

**UNBELIEF**

- \_\_\_ Rationalism
- \_\_\_ Doubt
- \_\_\_ Skepticism

**UNWORTHINESS**

- \_\_\_ Inferiority
- \_\_\_ Self Hate
- \_\_\_ Self Condemnation

**VIOLENCE**

- \_\_\_ Feuding
- \_\_\_ Retaliation
- \_\_\_ Torture
- \_\_\_ Murder

**Family Tree Facts:**

To help us with your ancestors, please fill in the requested information for each of your two parents (F/M), your four grandparents (GF/GM), and your eight great grandparents (GGF/GGM), to the best of your knowledge.

**FATHER'S FAMILY**

GGF \_\_\_\_\_  
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GGM \_\_\_\_\_  
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GGF \_\_\_\_\_  
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GGM \_\_\_\_\_  
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Example:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 DOB \_\_\_\_\_ DOD \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cause of Death \_\_\_\_\_

GF \_\_\_\_\_  
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F \_\_\_\_\_  
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GM \_\_\_\_\_  
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Names of Siblings/Age  
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**MOTHER'S FAMILY**

GGF \_\_\_\_\_  
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