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Soul Fears
Part II-In Depth [Web Only]

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What do you fear? In the Book of Job, Job said that what he feared most came upon him.

This is a very sobering thought. Job was afraid that harm would come to his children. So, he made sacrifices and prayed continually for his children. But one day they were killed. That is when he said that what he feared most had come upon him.

What we fear can come upon us, as well. Have you ever noticed that your fear recycles? In other words, if you fear that you will be poor, do you notice that you never seem to get ahead with bills? When you just seem to get to the point of paying off bills and being able to plan to meet needs then an unexpected bill comes that wipes out that plan. Sometimes we may feel that we are under a negative cloud of doom because of the way trouble recycles in our life. It may indeed be a negative cloud, or it just may be a soul attitude or a fear of long standing.

Fear gives the enemy the right to trouble us along the lines of the fear. In other words, it is important to pray for our children, but it is equally important to address our all-consuming fears for them so as not to invite trouble.

The main route that gives the enemy a place to trouble us is through our negative thoughts, fears, or behavior. These take us outside of God's wall of protection for us. In previous articles we have spoken of God's Wall of protection, and dealing with our own attitudes. These articles can be accessed at www.DrAlff.com/experiencingsoulintegration.

The Lord Jesus said that the enemy had no place in Him. It is Jesus' purpose that we work with Him to close all the places we have opened to the enemy in our own attitudes, fears, and behaviors. In addition, He wants to bring us to a place of soul peace where we truly know God's love for us, and know God's love for our children, and all that we have, so that we don't have to be afraid.

It is never God's character that our fruit fall to the ground- whether as crop failure, or as birth problems in our own children or in our animals, or as financial defeats. It is God's character that our fruit, and the work of our hands, remain.

Since problems don't come from the Lord, we have two other places to look. They can come from our own soul fears, like Job's were, or they can come from the enemy.

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"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of Hosts."

Zechariah 4:6

How do we know which it is? We can have a seasoned Christian- -one who has had a love relationship with God for a long time - - pray with us to bind any enemy troubling in the problems we are facing. This must be done in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. His Name alone is All Powerful to bind the enemy.

If the problems do not stop after the enemy is bound in the Lord Jesus' Name from affecting us, then we know we are dealing with our soul. The soul can't be bound. If the problems stop, we know we were being troubled by the enemy.

I don't mean to make this sound simplistic. There are many ways the enemy can trouble us that don't have necessarily anything to do with our immediate attitudes and behaviors.

There isn't space in this column to go into detail about these ways. But I can briefly cite two of the major ones that come through injustice. Injustice of any kind gives the enemy a place from which to trouble the people involved.

If you live or work on land where there was injustice, the enemy has a right to trouble all those living there through out the years afterward. In the Jubilee circulation area, there are many places of injustice from the coal and iron companies and police, in the late 1800's and early 1900's in the Monongahela River communities. You also may live or work in an area of blood-guilt. Blood-guilt injustice is the place where planned murder was committed. This can be through suicide, manslaughter, pogroms by state governments, or killing innocent victims during war.

A second example of injustice that allows enemy troubling is through the heritage of family members. Notice I said heritage - -the behavior of our family or ancestors- -that we may not believe in and do not follow. These include participation in the occult, new age, secret societies, cults, and superstitions. Injustice also includes the use of mythical role-playing games, ouija boards, horror movies, and holidays that focus on death and horror. To the Lord, even 'pretend' violence and death are equal to reality, because they effect His creation in the same way and allow troubling by the enemy. The Lord is jealous for us and for our safety.

These heritage practices effect every subsequent generation. So it suddenly becomes crucial to know history when we see patterns preventing us from getting ahead.

In both of these areas, intervention in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ is needed to break the negative pattern affecting us. With injustices on the land, there is need of reconciliation by the Church in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ to free the land and its people from the enemy's right of domain.

For injustices within the family heritage, we need a seasoned Christian to pray with us to bind the enemy. We then must address our own soul agreement with any of this on a personal level. We may have always thought, for example, "That is just how our family is." That can actually produce the same result as acceptance, and allow troubling.

There is one positive area of fear that needs to be mentioned: that of fearing God. This fear is not negative in any way. It is our relationship with God in the deepest love, respect, and honor for His character, purity, power, and authority. Fearing God is the beginning of wisdom. This wisdom gives us the authority to counter the enemy's troubling, and our own soul fears.