

Spiritual Roots of Conflict & Disease

One of the first things the Holy Spirit gives insight and discernment on is the fact that so many of us (*Kol Simcha* people are not exempted) live and deal with large instances of conflict and disease. Marilyn and I (and others in KS) are often alerted by the *Ruach* of the existence of conflicts and chronic illnesses in our jurisdiction whose **MO** {the acronym “MO” is used to represent the Latin phrase *Modus Operandi* which means someone’s way of doing a certain thing or performing a certain action. It’s like their signature, generally something unique only to them} we are we keenly acquainted with. Often we do not have the timing or freedom to address those things with congregants and friends. One way to facilitate this essential ministry is to share at a very general level on the matter. This (with the *Ruach*’s strong urging) is my intent today. My comments today will necessarily be brief while we let one the experts share a short video clip with their accurate/efficient exposition.

Do you want to **resolve and avoid conflicts** with your family, co-workers, or friends? Do you want to know God’s will for all the decisions you face? Are you wrestling with sin and bad habits that seem impossible to break? Have you ever considered that your **chronic disease** may have a **spiritual root**? Most, if not all of the conflicts and pressures we experience on a daily basis are **only symptoms of deeper issues** that must be addressed and resolved in order to eliminate them from our lives. By understanding how to **trace problems to root causes**, you can enjoy lasting solutions and become and remain healed in your Believer’s Walk.

Just as there are universal laws that govern the world of nature, so there are **universal** and **non-optional** Scriptural Life Principles that govern personal/interpersonal relationships. If one of those Scriptural Principles is violated, there are visible and predictable consequences. Principles violated during youth continue to damage relationships throughout life. Many *adult conflicts* are actually *youth conflicts* that were never resolved.

In KS, we have learned that nearly *every* problem in life can be traced to a spiritual root where a **non-optional** Biblical Principle has been violated and not resolved. Every person, regardless of culture, background, religion, education, or social status must follow Biblical principles for life or experience the deadly consequences of violating them. By learning principles rather than rules, individuals are **equipped to make wise choices** and avoid failure. Do you understand that there are cause-and-effect sequences in your life that affect your quality of life? What are some of these principles?

It gets worse. On 04Jul15 I taught a message entitled *Healing a Wounded Heart*, my introduction was short and was followed our own Michelle Lenfesty’s testimony and healing. Unforgiveness leading to Bitterness is the number one **deadly** cause of Heart Disease. A Google search **on the leading cause of deaths in the US** stated: “Heart disease is the **leading cause of death** for both men and women in the US and worldwide. **More than half of the deaths that occur as a result of heart disease are in men.**” From ***The Deadly Consequences of Unforgiveness***:

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Unforgiveness is classified in medical books as a disease. According to Dr. Steven Standiford, chief of surgery at the Cancer Treatment Centers of America, refusing to forgive makes people sick and keeps them that way... most people don't realize what a burden anger and hatred were until they let them go. See http://www.breakingchristiannews.com/articles/display_art.html?ID=16181

Just as with Heart Disease, most (if not all) diseases have a Spiritual Root. When a Scriptural Principle is violated there are also predictable health consequences. Like with damaged relationships, we know that Scriptural Principles violated during younger years manifest in damaged health and disease throughout adult life. People have not ever been made aware of this connection so they spend significant portions of their adult life and resources fighting disease. Often, all the medical community can do for you is to give you drugs (placebos) that are highly toxic and addicting and whose side effects are laden with additional and acute sickness. The problem is that most you who are hearing me speak today do not believe me and do not believe that YOU may be suffering from sickness and (sometimes) **incurable** disease that Scripture classifies not only as totally curable and whose resolution is an essential component of the ***Abundant Life Yeshua*** promised.