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“Soul Ties”



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Example: Dog tied to the tree, he wants to run free but he is tied to the tree.

Soul ties can be formed through any of the following ways: (1) Close relationships, (2) they are formed through Vows, commitments and promises made by the words of our mouths, and (3) they are formed through sexual intimacy.

Soul ties can be formed any time you spend hours and hours and hours with someone. Not all soul ties are bad (ungodly), some soul ties can be good (godly, God ordained). For example; Jonathan and David (1 Samuel 18:1); Jonathan loved David like he loved his own soul. The word “soul” here is the word, “5315 נֶפֶשׁ nephesh {neh'-fesh}

The word soul is used in 458 times in 432 verses.

Meaning: 1) soul, self, life, creature, person, appetite, mind, living being, desire, emotion, passion 1a) that which breathes, the breathing substance or being, soul, the inner being of man 1b) living being 1c) living being (with life in the blood) 1d) the man himself, self, person or individual 1e) seat of the appetites 1f) seat of emotions and passions 1g) activity of mind 1g1) dubious 1h) activity of the will 1h1) dubious 1i) activity of the character 1i1) dubious

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Usage: AV - soul 475, life 117, person 29, mind 15, heart 15, creature 9, body 8, himself 8, yourselves 6, dead 5, will 4, desire 4, man 3, themselves 3, any 3, appetite 2, misc 45; 751

Notes: Geneva Bible Notes:

1) His affection was fully bent toward him.

Jesus wants us to have a godly soul tie with him and his people:

John 15:13: “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

Maxim: We can't experience true holiness until we experience “wholeness.” A fragmented soul causes us to “miss the mark.” Jesus came to make us “whole.”

Example: **Luke 17:12-19:** “And as he entered into a certain village, there met him **ten** men that were **lepers**, which stood afar off: ¹³ And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. ¹⁴ And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, ¹⁶ And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ And Jesus answering said, Were

there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine? ¹⁸ There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. ¹⁹ And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole. (**Sozo—Strong’s Greek #4982, sode’ zo**, meaning, “To save, keep safe and sound, to rescue from danger or destruction.”)

Example: **Luke 8:43-48** And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, ⁴⁴ Came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanchd. ⁴⁵ And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, Who touched me? ⁴⁶ And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me. ⁴⁷ And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately. ⁴⁸ And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee **whole**; go in peace.



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Soul Ties, A definition: The bonding together; knitting together of two souls in mind, will and emotions. (“Knit” means to bind up, to join together).

Ungodly soul ties are bad. These are an unholy covenant with another person based on an unhealthy emotional and/or sexual relationship.

This covenant binds the two people together. God honors or recognizes these covenants. He leaves us free to decide when and if we will appropriate His provision to break or cut the ties and release both people.

Godly soul ties are good. (1Samuel 18:1 – Jonathan and David – Jonathan's soul was "knit" to the soul of David)

A. Godly Soul ties can exist in:

1. Healthy parent, child relationships
2. Balanced close friendships
3. Intimate, healthy marriages

B. They are a blessing from God

C. Unity = strength

II. Most common ungodly soul ties:

A. Fornication and adultery causes ungodly soul ties. (1Corinthians 6:15-16): "Do you not see and know that your bodies are members of Christ."

B. Unhealthy emotional soul ties

1. Girlfriend/Boyfriend, first love even if no sexual relationship.
Example: "If I'd only married so and so..."

2. Child/parents (Child becomes surrogate mate) or parent continues to control child; not allowed to leave home-etc...
This often results in hatred, rebellion, unforgiveness, or bitterness, offshoots of these roots include drug use, alcohol abuse, alternative sexual lifestyle, etc. or anything the parent told them not to do.

Genesis 2:24: “For this cause will a man leave his father and mother and cleave unto his wife and the two shall become one flesh.” KJV

Matthew 19:5-6: “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’?
⁶ So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate.”

3. **Any friendship where the motivation of relationship is impure** – all of these hinder relationship with God and with others – type of idolatry-causes:

- a. Emotional dependency
- b. Control
- c. Manipulation
- d. Confusion

4. **Unhealthy soul ties** concerning alignment with false teaching.

- a. Cult
- b. Masonic Order
- c. Vows made – sororities, fraternities
- d. Legalistic church - causes:

(1) religious strongholds, (2) bondage, or (3) guilt

Transferred allegiance from God to list of legalistic “do’s and dont’s”. (Galatians 3:1) "Who has bewitched you?" (Bewitching is a “type of witchcraft”).

Fruit of witchcraft: 1) Domination, (2) intimidation, and (3) manipulation.

5. **Soul ties with the dead**-(a lost parent, child, spouse or close friend) must be broken even if it was a Godly soul tie in a healthy relationship.

III. **How to break ungodly soul ties.** Be sure to explain to the one breaking the soul ties that you only wish to break the UNGODLY ties.

- A. Repent (confess) and forgive self and the person who bound us
- B. Break tie and renounce it then break any sexual soul ties or bonds
- C. Break generational sex sins and resulting curses if applicable
- D. Rebuke and bind any demonic spirits (tormenting spirits, guilt, shame, divination, witchcraft)
- E. Renounce and cancel the assignments of all evil spirits sent to attempt to maintain the ungodly soul tie (jealousy, control, confusion, co-dependency)
- F. Break any vows made.
- G. Call back every part that was given away (every emotion, will and thought that was part of the bond through the blood of Jesus so it comes back sanctified)
- H. Release the person by sending back all that was taken from them. (every emotion, will, thought through the blood of Jesus so it goes back sanctified and they are made whole now)
- I. I Pray healing over their mind, will and emotions, and ask for memories all memories to be cleansed and healed now.
- J. Thank the Lord for wholeness, holiness, and grace.

Example prayers:

Father, in the name of Jesus, I come to you in complete trust! I repent of wrong choices

I've made in relationships. Forgive me for entering into ungodly soul ties; for emotional and sexual sins. I choose to forgive each person that I have been involved with in any ungodly way. I ask you, Lord, to forgive me from my sin that resulted in an ungodly soul tie.

Lord, I renounce and break any vows or promises made and ask you to forgive me and release me from them.

Lord, please wash my mind from all memories of ungodly union. Make me free to give myself to you and to the one you've chosen for me in marriage.

Lord, I receive your forgiveness and thank you for your forgiveness and cleansing now in Jesus' Name.

I choose to forgive myself and no longer be angry at myself, hate myself, or punish myself.

Lord, I (speak your name) break the ungodly soul ties with (speak their name). By faith in you I release myself from him/her, and I release him/her from me through the blood of Jesus. I pray that you would cause him/her to be all that you want him/her to be, and that you would cause me to be all that you want me to be.

I renounce and cancel and break the assignments of all evil spirits attempting to maintain these ungodly soul ties by the authority in the name of Jesus Christ.

Lord, thank you for restoring me to wholeness. Let me walk in holiness by your grace. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen