"Jacob Cleanses His Household"

Genesis 35:1-7

Opening Thought: My amazement of peoples' critical judgement of preaching through Genesis. (Hurts a Bit; Doing Best I Can.)

READ 35:1-4

Intro. to Today's Topic: Sanctification - Positional (Justification), Practical (Sanctification), Ultimate (Glorification).

Overview: After Jacob's "Breaking" he makes the life-altering, family-damaging mistake of moving to the paganistic, occult driven Shechem. Now he is ready to repent from his moralistic compromising and give himself, and his household, fully to the Lord.

- The damage to his daughter and the evil that his sons did were a direct result of paganistic influences and allowing moral compromise in and around his home.
 - Paganism: The worship of Satan by different names.
- We too must be very careful of paganist, occult driven influences in our times. They are still here.
- These are doorways to demonic influences/activity all around us.
- The kingdom of the occult is still alive and well all around us. (Stronger and more veiled than ever before.)

READ 2 CORINTHIANS 6:14-18 - And so, we must cleanse ourselves, as the Temple of God, from any "unclean" thing.

There are three man areas of our life that we need to participate in protecting and cleansing: (Priests are responsible for: worship, protection, cleansing among other things in the Temple of God.)

- 1. The Outer Temple Courtyard: The USA is the equivalent of the Court of the Gentiles. (Vote; be a law-abiding citizen, share the Gospel, etc.) (*Psalm 78:28)
- 2. The Inner Temple Courtyard: Our homes are the equivalent to The Court of Women & Court of Israel. This is the area we will be discussing most today. (*Deuteronomy 7:26)
- 3. The Temple of God: Our physical bodies, which is the equivalent of the temple of God itself. (*Romans 12:1)

Doorways for Demonic Influences in Our Homes: If our homes are equivalent or comparable to the Inner Temple Courtyard of Israel we must, at the Priests of God's Temple, keep them free from idols and cursed things - unclean things inspired by paganism and the occult. Many believers unknowingly allow these "doorways" into their homes which Satan uses to attack their family and greatly influence their lives. Bringing unclean, cursed things into our homes is a very serious matter. Allowing these things in gives Satan a "legal right", so to speak, to be there. He will use these to wreak havoc in your home and family life.

Unusual increases in family or marital arguing, rebelliousness, anger, outbursts of anger, affairs, emotional of physical withdrawals, unusual amounts of depression, etc, and the all around lack of peace are all signs of possible demonic oppression in our homes. Hauntings are another big sign something is wrong. Getting rid of these unclean items that may be wrecking our family's peace can help free us from Satan's influences brought on by spiritual strongholds as we respond in repentance and obedience to Christ's ways. Spiritual oppression brought on by unclean, cursed things in our lives can be broken with God's help if we will respond rightly in faith.

Steps to Freedom From Demonic Oppression: 1. Analyze the Uncleanness. 2. Remove the Uncleanness. 3. Maintain the Uncleanness.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." - Hosea 4:6

POSSIBLE TAINTED OR CURSED ITEMS:

(I don't necessarily agree with all of these but want to put them out there to stimulate you to research and discovery on your own.)

Board games and other forms of games: Jumanji, Dungeons and dragons games, (and other role or fantasy games,) Ouija boards.

Video games

Books: Twilight series books and other vampire books, Harry Potter books, book of Mormon and their literature, satanic bible, Morals and Dogma book by Albert Pike, other Masonic or illuminati texts, literature from cults, any books that combine biblical Christianity with modern day psychiatry, magic books, new age occult books, witchcraft books, etc.

Some secular music: Some popular music has words and symbols that are illuminati based. Others promote un-Christian morals or values, and some are even openly satanic. Watching or listening to this music can cause an open doorway for demons to attack. So make sure what you listen to is clean as well. Even better, listen to Christian music. (Make sure the Christian music is not in name only! Some Christian bands are not of Him and are working under cover for satan instead. Their lyrics and their album covers give clues to this.)

T.V. Shows, movies, and computer web pages: Make sure they don't promote or encourage the entertainment by evil; that they are not against Christ or mock Christianity; don't promote anti-Christ ways and morals; etc.

Holiday items and holidays: Christmas items (be knowledgable and careful) Valentine's & hearts, cupid, Easter items, Easter egg candies, Halloween decorations, Halloween toys, Easter rabbits, elves, santa, and reindeer, etc.. These holidays are from the Mithra religion, (and other pagan religions,) and are not from biblical Christianity.

New Age items or teachings: serpent coils, some rainbows, bells, some angel statues, sundials, gazing globes, (now often seen in lawn ornaments,) unicorns, crystals purchased from new age stores, birthstone jewelry, new age visualization items, witchcraft items, palmistry, tea leaf readings, yoga, astrology items, good luck charms, horoscopes, hypnosis stuff, emptying the mind meditation, some acupuncture stuff, rabbits foot, etc.

Toys: Some Christians believe we should watch out for He-man, She-ra, Smurfs, care bears, cabbage patch dolls, the joker character from Batman, teenage mutant ninja turtles, dolls – especially cabbage patch dolls, troll dolls, some Barbie dolls, Brat dolls, toy voodoo dolls, and puppets, big bird from the Sesame Street program (other characters may be good to avoid from that show as well,) teletubbies, gremlins, rainbow brite, sprites, elves, punk rock dolls, go bots.

Items and symbols from Eastern religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Taoism, Shintoism, Confucianism, east Asian Buddhism, African traditional religions, voodoo, dragons, spiritism, mediums or channeling spirits, shiatsu, mind control – Silva or other, Anything Buddhist – especially their statues, pictures, or Incense, (often made in the Buddhist temples by their priests,) Yin & yang – tai chi symbols, foo dogs, some African statues, katchina dolls, Taoism art, prayer beads, eastern meditation systems, religious items given to you by a guru, some form of incense (often these have been dedicated to Hindu gods, etc. before being put out for sale), prayer rugs, karma items or literature, reincarnation stuff, ascended masters, beware of avatars, and the like.

Items and symbols from Western religions: wiccan, paganism, druidry, church of satan, anything Islamic, Unitarian Universalism, Humanism, (some Christians feel some Darwinianism stuff has been problematic) Jehovah's witnesses stuff, Christian Science, Judaism (that is, anything the pharacees added to the religion outside the bible, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS), Scientology, Indian art, Native American art work, dream catchers, Native American carved walking sticks, totem poles or other carved wood art, Hawaiian gods or goddesses,

Catholic statuaries such as crucifixes (that show Tammuz dying,) and statues of Mary, (who is actually Mithra's Semeramis, the queen of heaven,) Catholic prayer cards given out at funerals to remember the dead, pictures of Catholic saints, rosaries, Catholic bibles, Catholic hymnals, Catholic prayer books

Hex sign (or also called the Pennsylvania Dutch sign,) Italian horn jewelry, skull and crossbones, winged horse, pentagrams, (inverted or upright,) hexagrams, hexagram in a circle, Mexican sun art, moon art, flamingos, alligators, leviathan, goats head, family altar for worship of dead ancestors, anything given to you by a witch, witches masks, protectors from the evil eye, hand of Fatima, Easter Island statues, shaman items, any Greek or Roman gods, fairies, totem poles, etc.

Symbols on items that can make the item cursed: Marijuana leafs, disguised 666, (this looks almost Celtic in nature. It is the logo of the New King James Bible.) 666 or FFF, the V sign made with the hands, the V sign but with the two fingers held together, the horns sign – made with the pinky and index finger held up, with the rest of the fingers held down to the palm. The capitol letter A in a circle with the middle bar extended to the sides of the circle, inverted cross, (double sided curved blades,) pontifical cross of Lucifer, peace sign or witches foot, swastika, unicursive hexagram, paisley designs, horseshoes, charms, wishbones, four leaf clovers, the evil eye or one eyed symbols, zodiac signs, some tulip art work, eight pointed star, goose with blue ribbon around its neck, square and compass, symbols or icons from false religions and secret societies,

As a side note, be also aware that not all pictures of Jesus are of Him. (In the ancient ruins of Greece and Rome, many carvings that are thought to be of Jesus, are actually of the god Mithra.) Again, some are manipulated and used by satan to gain entrance into your heart and home.

Drugs: Some Christians believe Hard liquor, (they don't call it 'spirits' for nothing!,) marijuana, heroin, cocaine, peyote, other illegal drugs, some prescription drugs such as pain killers and drugs taken for depression or mood disorders, or any other man made substance. (Again, check with God. Not all drugs are bad.)

Secret society items: Illuminati items and symbols, Masonic items, Shriner items, Eastern Star items, Elk lodge items, Job's Daughter's items, Eastern Star items, rainbow girls items, Illuminati items, all-seeing third eye, lambskin apron – the actual apron or symbol, owls, etc.

False teaching items:

Other items to Possibly Watch out For: Knick Knacks, Pictures, Furniture or Clothing labels or print, Some believe colored candles, Frogs, Nike label, some believe even items autographed by someone famous, goldfinch bird, cornucopias, the winged wand of mercury (doctor's symbol,) magic 8 ball, fez hats, mardi gras items, alien stuff, some UFO photos, masks – especially ones used in rituals or ceremonies, Alienware computers – the ones with the face of an alien lit up on its cover, hard or soft pornography, clothing with pagan/occult/anti-Christ symbols, etc.

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What's in your attick? What's in your drawers? What's in your storage areas? What's in your children's rooms?

You are the Priests of Your Homes and responsible for protecting the Holiness of God in them.

Close: READ Genesis 35:4-7