

Spirit of Jealousy & Envy - Freedom Step 11

In this step we cover the spirits of Jealousy and Envy. Here is a link to a short 20-minute video. [Video Here](#)

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Deliverance is the Children's Bread. We must give up our old ways and do it God's Way.

Envy And Jealousy—The Green-Eyed Tyrant

Holly was a bright, pretty child. But she had a peculiar habit—she always wanted her friends' toys. She cried when her best friend got a beautiful doll for her birthday. She whined when the neighbor girls appeared at church in matching Laura Ashley Easter dresses. She pouted when her sister was taken to Disney World as a reward for straight A's throughout high school.

When Holly became a teenager, she turned her attention toward boys. She quickly mastered the use of makeup, lightened her hair dramatically, and learned to dress with a slightly sexy flair. Her competitive drive always drew her toward her friends' boyfriends, and she made it her habit to call them, ask them for advice, and sow seeds of criticism about the girls in their lives. Then, at eighteen, she met Jack and Tammy Jensen, a couple in their thirties who were youth leaders at her church.

At first Holly innocently joined the other kids at the Jensen's' home. They gathered as a group, watched videos, and just hung out. But before long, Holly was spending a lot of time talking to Jack—alone. Like any married couple, Jack and Tammy had their small differences from time to time, and Holly instinctively homed in on them. While flattering Jack on one hand, on the other she gently questioned his reactions to Tammy's quick temper, her same old hairstyle, or her not-quite-perfect housekeeping.

Holly's divisive arts were astonishing, as were her manipulative capabilities. She called the Jensen home in tears one night from a pay phone, hysterically claiming to have been kicked out of the house by her parents. She asked Jack if he could pick her up. She knew the family well enough to calculate that Tammy would be getting dinner on the table for the children and that Jack would arrive alone. He did.

Jack listened to her story patiently, and by now he felt close enough to Holly to put his arms around her in comfort. The truth was, he'd been wanting to hold her in his arms for weeks. Before the night was over, the two of them had made love. Before the year was over, Jack and Tammy had filed for divorce, Jack had left the church, and he and Holly were living together.

The tragedy didn't end with the breakup of Jack and Holly's marriage. In fact it continues. Holly has become disillusioned with Jack—she complains that he's too old for her. She constantly compares him to younger men, humiliating him with caustic jokes about his weight, his thinning hair, and his middle-aged attitudes.

Holly wants a house at the beach, like the Fosters'. She needs a new Chevy Suburban, like the Jarvis's'. She and Jack fight constantly and bitterly over her insatiable desires for more things, better things, things her friends have that she'll never get because Jack is "such a boring old man."

Jealousy and Envy—Good News, Bad News

Jealousy and envy are emotions we all feel from time to time. But if they are allowed to become dominant in our lives, they warp our perspectives, keep us from realizing our personal potential, and in cases like Holly's, lead us into destructive behavior. Without question, jealousy and envy impede our growth to spiritual maturity.

Although we sometimes use the words jealousy and envy interchangeably, there is a difference. Jealousy can be used in a good sense. Its root is *zelos*, the same word from which we also get *zeal*, or *zealous*. When the word is applied to God, saying He is a jealous God means He demands that we worship and love Him exclusively.

In a bad sense, jealousy is a fear of being displaced by a rival in affection or favor. To be jealous is to be anxiously suspicious or vigilant. Proverb 27:4 says, "Anger is cruel and fury overwhelming, but who can stand before jealousy?" The implication of this Scripture is that jealousy is hidden. It corrupts our motives, thoughts, and actions. To make matters worse, the object of that jealousy may be unaware of it and therefore be unable to deal with it.

While jealousy *can* be positive, envy, on the other hand, *always* has a bad meaning. Envy is defined as "a feeling of discontent and resentment aroused by another's desirable possessions or qualities, accompanied by a strong desire to have them for oneself.

Scripture reminds us, "A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones" (Prov. 14:30).

The Story of Rachel and Leah

In the Old Testament, we have classic examples of jealousy and envy in the lives of two women who were victims of their culture. Leah and Rachel were sisters, and they were married to the same man, Jacob. Talk about being dysfunctional!

In Genesis 29, Jacob was fleeing the wrath of his brother, Esau. When he reached Paddan-Aram, where his mother's family lived, his cousin Rachel was the first person he met. For him, their meeting was love at first sight. He was warmly welcomed into his Uncle Laban's home and began helping him shepherd his flocks.

Jacob asked Laban for Rachel's hand in marriage and volunteered to work seven years in return for her. Laban agreed, but then he deceived Jacob by secretly marrying him to his older, less attractive daughter, Leah. Laban agreed to give Rachel to Jacob, too, but he would have to work seven more years. The biblical account concludes, "Jacob lay with Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah. And he worked for Laban another seven years" (Gen. 29:30).

One wouldn't have to be a psychologist to predict the problems that were about to arise in that household. Can you imagine the conflicting emotions Laban's cruel deception produced? Jacob, the deceiver who had cheated his brother of their father's blessing, was outdone in deception by Laban! He ended up doing seven more years of hard labor without pay for a woman he didn't want in the first place. This was not exactly a great start for a marriage—especially one with two wives.

There was a physical difference between Leah and Rachel. Leah was older, had weak or delicate eyes, and apparently was not attractive. Rachel was younger and had a beautiful face and figure. Scripture simply states the sad truth: "And Jacob loved Rachel more than Leah."

An Unloved Wife

We can't blame Jacob. He'd made his choice almost from the moment he saw Rachel, and it's impossible to drum up romantic love on demand. Can you imagine how difficult it was for Leah to see Jacob's passionate love for Rachel, knowing that he didn't feel the same way about her at all? This was living in daily pain. She must have experienced both jealousy and envy. But God has a way of evening things out:

"When the LORD saw that Leah was not loved, he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. Leah became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She named him Reuben, for she said, 'It is because the LORD has seen my misery. Surely my husband will love me now' . . .

"When Rachel saw that she was not bearing Jacob any children, she became jealous of her sister. So she said to Jacob, 'Give me children, or I'll die!'

"Jacob became angry with her and said, 'Am I in the place of God, who has kept you from having children?' (Gen. 29:31-32; 30:1-2).

Rachel had what Leah wanted—Jacob's love. But now she was jealous of Leah because she wanted what Leah had—children. In that day, it was a great reproach upon a woman if she did not give her husband sons. Jacob put the blame where it belonged, on God.

The rivalry between these two sisters increased as they tried to build their families with strategies that were normal for that culture. Sometimes a wife gave her maid to her husband sexually, and the maid became pregnant. When the child was born, the wife would catch the child on her knees and thus claim him as her own. Rachel did it first, then Leah followed suit. Both of them were in this battle to the bitter end.

But the difference in the characters of the two women is revealed in Genesis 30:14-16: "During wheat harvest, Reuben went out into the fields and found some mandrake plants, which he brought to his mother Leah. Rachel said to Leah, 'Please give me some of your son's mandrakes.'

"But she said to her, 'Wasn't it enough that you took away my husband? Will you take my son's mandrakes too?'

"'Very well,' Rachel said, 'he can sleep with you tonight in return for your son's mandrakes.'"

Forever Dissatisfied

Apparently, Rachel even used her power over Jacob to orchestrate his sex life and keep him from sleeping with Leah so she wouldn't have any more children! In essence, Leah had to "hire" Jacob from Rachel for a night. She did so in exchange for some mandrake roots that Rachel supposed would make her fertile. But God continued to give children only to Leah. She had six sons and one daughter of her own before Rachel had her first son.

"Then God remembered Rachel; he listened to her and opened her womb. She became pregnant and gave birth to a son and said, 'God has taken away

my disgrace' She named him Joseph, and said, 'May the LORD add to me another son' (Gen. 30:22-24).

Nothing was ever enough for Rachel. Instead of thanking God for her one son, she had to have more. She had to catch up with her sister. That's a classic symptom of envy—it is insatiable.

Rachel's Immature Spirit

We see further evidence of Rachel's lack of maturity when God told Jacob to go back to his homeland. He told his wives his plans, and Rachel and Leah replied, "Do we still have any share in the inheritance of our father's estate? Does he not regard us as foreigners? Not only has he sold us, but he has used up what was paid for us. Surely all the wealth that God took away from our father belongs to us and our children. So do whatever God has told you" (Gen. 31:14-16).

After thirteen years, the two women were still bitter toward their father for the way he had exploited them and the misery his actions had caused. But there was a difference in the spiritual quality of the two women.

One particular thing Rachel did demonstrate, after twenty years of knowing and living with Jacob, that his faith in God had made little impact on her spiritual understanding. We know this because we're told, "When Laban had gone to shear his sheep, Rachel stole her father's household gods" (Gen. 31:19).

Laban was a man who worshiped many gods. The fact that Rachel stole them tells us several things about her. First of all, she still had pagan tendencies if she thought these little figurines would bring blessings. She also may have thought that they gave her a right to claim her father's inheritance. Whatever the reason, she deceived both her father and her husband. When Laban accused Jacob of stealing the idols, Jacob, in righteous indignation, unknowingly condemned his beloved wife to death. He raged, "But if you find anyone who has your gods, he shall not live" (Gen. 31:32).

Rachel was saved from discovery only because she hid the idols in her camel saddle and sat on it, then lied and claimed she couldn't get up because she was having her period. No one would search her saddle, because anything a woman sat on during her menses was made unclean.

Rachel was both a liar and a thief; she deceived her father and her husband. Rachel was lovely on the outside, but her character wasn't very beautiful.

External beauty can be a hindrance to character development, and Rachel was envious, jealous, selfish, manipulative, greedy, and unsatisfied. Still, her husband's passion and preference for her lasted all her life.

Notice also how Jacob arranged his family in order of preference when he thought Esau still wanted revenge: "Jacob looked up and there was Esau, coming with his four hundred men; so he divided the children among Leah, Rachel and the two maidservants. He put the maidservants and their children in front, Leah and her children next, and Rachel and Joseph in the rear" (Gen 33:1-2).

How do you think Leah felt? No matter how many children she had, Jacob would never love her as much as he loved Rachel. Meanwhile, Rachel could have been gracious and generous to her unloved older sister, but she wasn't.

We don't read of her doing a single kind, unselfish act. Finally she became pregnant with the second son she wanted, but this time it cost her life to bear him: "And as she was having great difficulty in childbirth, the mid-wife said to her, 'Don't be afraid, for you have another son.' As she breathed her last—for she was dying—she named her son Ben-Oni. But his father named him Benjamin" (Gen. 35:17-18).

Jacob's favorite wife was buried by the wayside. Leah was eventually buried by Jacob's side in the cave at Machpelah with Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah. What havoc jealousy and envy wrought upon this family!

Are those same destructive emotions doing a number on you? In case you aren't aware of the symptoms of jealousy and envy, give yourself this test.

1. Do you work extremely hard to come out looking good?
2. Do you examine others with a critical eye?
3. Do you have hidden feelings of inferiority?
4. Do you complain about not getting fair treatment?
5. Do you have an insatiable desire for success?
6. Do you need a lot of recognition for your achievements?
7. Do you tend to be status conscious?
8. Do you find it hard to pay compliments to others?
9. Do you keep score of your own good deeds and those of others?
10. Are you willing to pass along negative rumors about a successful person?
11. Do you put on a false front in order to appear impressive?
12. Do you base your self-image on your performance?

If you answered yes to some of these questions, you may be having trouble with envy, even though you haven't recognized it.

Causes of Envy

Like many other emotions, envy is a symptom of other, underlying issues that need to be resolved. We include these examples as sources of envy: being overly concerned with personal rights, taking other people's success personally, desiring selfish gain, yearning for status and achievement, and an inability to share.

Let's take a closer look at each of these sources.

Being Overly Concerned with Personal Rights

We hear a lot about rights today. It appears that individual rights are increasing at the same time personal responsibility is decreasing. We are moving rapidly toward the idea that government is supposed to meet every need of the citizen and society is to blame for every crime.

Individuals blame their difficulties on their parents, their poverty, their lack of education, a past traumatic experience, or any number of other culprits. At the same time, they never seem to take the responsibility for their own actions.

Personal rights must be balanced with personal responsibility. There's a difference between the "right to life, liberty, and happiness" and the right to pursue life, liberty, and happiness. Pursuit involves effort on the part of the pursuer. Everyone does not have an inalienable right to wealth, a new car, and a college education. We are responsible to pursue these goals, but they are not rights.

Taking Other People's Success Personally

Suppose someone you know is good at doing something, and it's something at which you aren't very gifted. When that happens, watch out. Envy can rear its ugly head, and you'll find yourself resenting every success the other person has.

I would love to be able to arrange flowers the way my friend Sarah Mitchell does. I've even tried to have her teach me. But I will never be able to arrange flowers with the creativity and ease she demonstrates. So I have a choice: I can resent Sarah's success when I compare it with my failure, or I

can acknowledge her skill and be thankful that she will arrange flowers for me!

Desiring Selfish Gain

Envy starts with desire. We all want things we don't have: money, a nice figure, a better home, or more clothes. We long for a happy marriage, successful children, a secure, pleasurable job. There's nothing wrong with these desires as long as we are realistic, recognizing that they do not bestow value on our lives.

However, if and when these things become essential to us, we will look with the green eyes of envy at everyone who has what we want. We'll keep working harder and more desperately to reach our goals without ever being content. Eventually, we will be under the full-time control of envy, a brutal taskmaster. We should never forget what John D. Rockefeller said when he was asked how much money is enough. "Just one more dollar," was his sage reply.

Yearning for Status and Achievement

There's nothing wrong with wanting recognition for our achievements. But at times that craving can become a competitive spirit that has to outdo everyone else. When that happens, you can be sure envy is at the root.

Today's society values people for their appearance or their achievements. It is very difficult not to be envious of the woman with a beautiful figure when you struggle daily to not gain a pound. It's hard to feel good about ourselves when we've been driving the same car for ten years while others are enjoying this year's luxury models. We don't accept ourselves as we are; we are unable to recognize our own strengths. Instead, we compare our weaknesses with others' strengths, and consequently we feel envious.

An Inability to share

It's difficult for the envious person to share in the joys of other people, especially when someone else is getting what the envious one wants and doesn't have. I admire women who are struggling with infertility when I see them attending baby showers for others and sharing their joy. They may go home and weep afterward, but they are genuinely happy for their friends.

The Real Truth

One of the main things that you need to understand about the spirit of jealousy is that it travels with other spirits. These spirits show up afterwards if we allow jealousy to continue unchecked within us or around us. If you have a spirit of jealousy, here are the other spirits that will follow it and how they will manifest themselves in your life:

- **Murder** – literally wanting to get rid of the person so that you can get what they have. Evil thoughts that something bad will happen to that person.
- **Strife** – constant tension between you and that person and everyone else around.
- **Greed/Lust** – insatiable desire to have what the other person has even though if you were to stop and think about it you have more than they do.
- **Envy** – you want what others have without having any legal, biblical or covenantal claim to it.
- **Destruction** – constantly speaking evil of the focus of your jealousy, hoping secretly that what they have comes to nothing. If you can't get it then they shouldn't have it either.
- **Competition** – trying to compete to show them and others that you are better and deserve what they have.
- **Selfish Ambition** – doing things not out of a love for God and others but to get attention so that everyone looks at you and not the person you are jealous of.
- **Anger** – this spirit is usually hidden and comes in the form of outburst against the focus of your jealousy
- **Division** – you start to form teams of people around you who will agree with and justify your feelings so that you can all gang up against this person
- **Slander** – speaking half-truths or complete lies in an attempt to discredit the person or damage their character
- **Striving** – working like crazy out of the flesh instead of anointing. This will mean that you have to work twice as hard to do what they are doing.

Overcoming Jealousy and Envy

Generational Elements

When we first began doing deliverance on these issues, it was a perfunctory thing that took ten to fifteen minutes as we just rejected and renounced the fruit issues wherever jealousy manifested.

Since then, we have begun to understand that there can be more complex issues. The first question we have learned to ask is whether the problem we are dealing with is a current problem or a generational problem. In other words, we will do a brief family history. We will look at his siblings (adult or child), parents, aunts, and uncles to see whether there has been a pattern of family members being jealous of the secular success of other people, or whether the family has been the victims of jealousy. Where there is a generational demon it is usually, extremely evident by the time we have looked at three generations of the extended family.

Another indication of a generational demon that attracts jealousy is when there is an early onset of the problem. One man shared that from the time he was made a milk monitor in the third grade, the other kids in school were consistently jealous of him. This problem followed him all the way through Jr. high School and high school, into college and into the ministry.

We then know that there was family history of being jealous or of attracting jealousy; we deal with it as a deliverance issue. When doing generational deliverance, we ask the Lord how many generations back this problem came into the family line. We break the iniquity at that point, calling it what it is, and bringing the cleansing forward to the present generation and then extending that freedom to our seed, both physical and spiritual children, to a thousand generations.

Partnering with Other Demons

We have also found that the spirit of jealousy seems to be able to partner very effectively with other demons. There are certain demonic entities that come in pairs or triplets. If we deal with only one part of the unholy alliance, the problem seems to reoccur. For example, on a simplistic level, we used to deal with a critical and judgmental spirit. There would be significant success in the deliverance, but after a period of time, the problem would come back. We finally understood that we also had to deal with the perfectionism in that individual. Frequently an individual that is outwardly judgmental of others is inwardly judgmental of himself, (that is the perfectionism). It is two sides of the same critter and we have to deal with both sides.

Similarly, there are five primary demonic strongholds that seem to partner with, or establish an unholy alliance with jealousy. Those alliances need to be dealt with.

First of all, there is a **spirit of death and infirmity**. If that is a generational problem in the family line and the spirit of jealousy is also attacking the individual, it is a dangerous mix. We also see jealousy frequently attaching

to somebody who already has a **victim spirit**. A third demonic stronghold is **freemasonry**. A fourth one is any kind of **financial curse**. The fifth one is **mental confusion or even mental illness** in a family line. When someone has an inability to perceive true reality or is living in denial, it suggests the possibility of a spirit of mental confusion or mental illness in the family line.

Any one of these five by itself is a nuisance. Each one of them seems to be a magnet attracting a spirit of jealousy from other people, with the two demonic powers forming an unholy alliance. When doing the family survey, we try to identify whether any of these five is present, and if so, we call them to attention and sever the alliance between them and the spirit of jealousy before taking them on individually.

It is important to understand covenants of protection. Isaiah 28:14-15 states,

“Therefore hear the word of the Lord, you scoffers who rule this people in Jerusalem. You boast, ‘We have entered into a covenant with death, with the grave we have made an agreement. When an overwhelming scourge sweeps by, it cannot touch us, for we have made a lie our refuge and falsehood our hiding place.’”

This is not just empty boasting. There are in fact covenants that provide protection for demons. If you are trying to evict a demonic intruder who is resistant, it may be that there is a covenant providing protection for that evil spirit. If there is an unholy alliance between jealousy and death, the victim spirit, or Freemasonry, a lot of time could be spent commanding, rejecting and renouncing, without result because their unholy alliances do indeed afford the demons some level of protection.

Isaiah 28:16-18 give us the solution to this problem.

So this is what the Sovereign Lord says: ‘See, I lay in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed. I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line; hail will sweep away your refuge, the lie, and water will overflow your hiding place. Your covenant with death will be annulled; your agreement with the grave will not stand. When the overwhelming scourge sweeps by, you will be beaten down by it.’

A covenant that was voluntarily entered into by two parties is allowed to stand; regardless of the pain it causes one party or the other, unless there is a law that supersedes it. For example, from time to time we read of

individuals who were brought from other countries to the United States under some form of agreement that amounts to slavery. The fact that they voluntarily entered into a binding agreement is immaterial. The fact that they promised to exchange a certain amount of labor in return for passage to the United States is immaterial. The covenant they made with the businessman is instantly annulled when immigration officials find out about it, since the law of this land supersedes whatever agreements they entered into for slavery.

Similarly, there are ancient generational covenants that were made voluntarily at some point, and they provide a measure of protection for the demons in an individual's life. However, those covenants are subject to the higher law of the universe. Any individual can appeal to the Righteous Judge of the Universe on the basis of those covenants not being just or righteous according to the supreme law that God has established. Then, if God agrees that those covenants stand in violation of His law, He declares them annulled. That removes the protection the demons once had.

Once the unholy alliances and the covenants of protection have been annulled by God, we proclaim that the individual has voluntarily entered into a blood covenant relationship with Jesus. We proclaim that this covenant transcends and supersedes every other covenant, agreement, or protection. We command each of the different demonic heads to stand alone at attention with those under them, not in communication with each other and not helping each other.

At the same time we may find it necessary to block any demonic reinforcement coming from the land or the building. There are also particular communities and cities that have a spirit of jealousy over them, especially gift of Giving cities. You would not want the strongman over the city sending reinforcements to help the demons you are trying to do evict.

Once all the preparatory work is done, we come to the heart of the matter and that is severing the agreements with the devil. We proclaim the truth that this individual has a legal right to receive everything God has given him. We may list life, health, beauty, mental acuity, skills, talents, spiritual gifts, family, wealth, fame, ministry, open doors or whatever the focus of the jealousy has been. We ask God to open the books and to identify every individual who has thought, spoken or written untrue words about the things God has given us.

We then ask God to sever every agreement that was entered into between any two people or any groups of individuals and to only allow to stand those things that are true. Then we ask God to sever the agreements between

human beings and the demonic realm where those agreements empowered the spirit of jealousy, directly or indirectly.

As simple as that sounds, the act of verbally severing known and unknown agreements has liberated hundreds of people from the power of Satan's toxic emotions. Satan is always jealous of what we have that he will no longer have, yet he cannot arbitrarily attack us with jealousy. He needs someone else to come into agreement with his devaluation of us. We cannot change his toxicity, but we can stop the flow by asking God to judge the thoughts and words of other people, and to sever every agreement with a lie.

It works!

Perhaps as you've read this, you've seen indications that jealousy or envy is an unwelcome aspect of your character. Of course it is God's will for you to overcome that negative emotion, and there are some concrete steps you can take to do so.

Recognize That You Are Envious or Jealous

Acknowledging your envy means looking at yourself honestly. Galatians 5:19-21 tells us that envy is a product of our sinful human nature. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you whether your ulterior motives are for selfish gain or to achieve status in other people's eyes. Name envy for what it is. Blow away the cover-up.

Choose with Your Will to Get Rid of It

Harboring envy keeps us from hungering for God's Word, and God's Word is vital for us to continue to grow spiritually. "Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good" (1 Pet. 2:1-2).

Galatians 5:26 says envy will also keep us from living the Spirit-controlled life God wants for His children. It's a deadly deterrent to spiritual growth. By making a choice of the will then asking God to empower us, we can decide to overcome envy or jealousy. With His help, we will do so.

Confess It As Sin and Accept Forgiveness

We've already learned the value of 1 John 1:9. God promises to forgive and cleanse us from all sin if we agree with Him that what we are doing is sin. Once we've accepted His forgiveness, we are able to start on a new path.

Accept Yourself As You Are with gratitude

Develop a thankful heart. Thank God every day that you are just the person He created you to be. Thank Him that He chose you to be His own. Thank Him for your face and figure, your health, your abilities, your family, your job, your bank account, your friends. Thank Him for the spiritual gifts that make you necessary to the body of believers. Make sure, while you're thanking Him, that you don't compare yourself with others.

Learn the Joy of Giving to Others

Envy is rooted in selfishness. It's only concerned with satisfying the cravings of the envious person. There's a way to show that we are changing on the inside. When we share our material possessions, praise the success of others, and encourage others in reaching their goals, we will begin to experience the joy that comes from giving. By doing the opposite of our sinful nature, we change our habit patterns and demonstrate to God that we are working with Him in renewing our minds.

Keep Earthly Achievements in Eternal Perspective

When our lives are over, we're going to leave everything behind. The body we spend so much money on will return to dust. The wardrobe, the beautiful home, the bank account, the advanced degree, the recognition—all those things that we give our lives to are going to remain on Planet Earth long after we've departed.

There are no pockets in a shroud. That's why it's essential to remember that only two things on earth will enter eternity—people and God's Word. If we give priority to giving God's word to people and living it, we'll have something that will last forever.

Set Your Heart on Heavenly Things

When we trusted Jesus Christ, we received a new nature. And we became citizens of a new homeland—heaven. "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things" (Col. 3:1-2).

It's God's intention that our hearts and minds ought to be focused on new goals, and that our conduct should be controlled by new standards. As we deliberately turn away from the old and embrace the new, we are not going to keep looking over our shoulder to see who's catching up with us. Instead, we'll follow the Spirit's leading for our own lives and choose to be grateful for everything God does for us. This will ultimately be the way envy is routed out of our hearts.

Once it is removed, we will begin to experience joy and contentment and the sense of personal significance that Jesus brings will blossom beautifully and fragrantly in our lives.

Prayer For People Struggling With A Jealous Spirit

Father God, now that I know how dangerous this spirit is I repent of it.

- I ask you to remove this from me along with all the other spirits that travel with it. I would never want to be lumped in with Cain or Joseph's brothers because nothing good came of their lives. You will never bless me for this behavior so remove this spirit from my midst. Let me never be comfortable feeling this way.
- Give me a heart that rejoices when others are blessed and mourns when others are suffering instead of glorying in it.
- God wash and cleanse my mind, heart and spirit and purify me from this unrighteousness.
- Move me from under the curse and put me in a place to receive your blessing.
- Remove any generational curses that may have been passed down to me from my forefathers.
- Cut off this spirit from being passed down to my children.
- Forgive me for not appreciating all the blessing I currently have.
- Help me to be content with what you have given me today knowing that even more blessings that you have for me is on the way.
- I trust that today I am free from this and I look to the blessing of your Holy Spirit to fulfill all my needs and desires, in Jesus Name, Amen.

Praying Against Jealousy

Commander of heaven's armies, I call upon you today to remove from me every spirit and principality of jealousy.

- Send forth your warring angels to remove every diabolical spirit that comes with this spirit such as the spirit of murder, envy, strife, selfish ambition, slander, destruction, greed, lust, competition, anger and division.
- These spirits shall have no part in me, my family, my generation, my inheritance, my finances, the ministry you have given me or the future you have planned for me.
- Banish them from coming into my presence or from attacking any path that you have laid before me.
- Remove the obstacles they have placed in my path.
- Restore that which was stolen.
- Heal any woundedness.
- Restore any damage they have done to my credibility.
- Any door that You have opened Lord no man can close and that which you have closed no man can open. Any door that I have left open to allow these in please show them to me and close them never to be open again.
- Any associations that I may have with others from the past whether in or outside of the family of God close those doors for good and don't allow those spirits to ever have access to my life again.
- I break every unholy covenant that I have made with them.
- I cut every soul tie to my past which may have given these spirits access to my future life.
- I speak blessings over those who tried to curse me. Cause them to see the blessings that you have already bestowed upon them. Show them the path you have for them and give them the grace to move on in the path you have established for them.
- I pray that my speech would be seasoned with grace and I would not be prideful when I give you glory in how you've blessed me. In Jesus Name, Amen.

More Prayers, Use As Needed...

FATHER, in the Name of Jesus, we bring every ancient generational covenant and any other covenant agreement that was made on my behalf, or done knowingly or unknowingly by me, before You now.

We acknowledge that they were made voluntarily at some point and in so doing provided a measure of protection for the demons in my personal life.

We thank You FATHER, for now removing the protection the demons once had!

We declare the unholy alliances and the covenants of protection for the demons have now been annulled by GOD, Creator of the Universe!

We proclaim that we have, as individuals, voluntarily entered into a Blood Covenant relationship with Jesus.

We proclaim that this Covenant transcends and supersedes every other covenant, agreement, or protection.

We command each of the different demonic heads to stand alone and at attention with those that are assigned under you. You are not allowed to communicate with each other and you are not allowed to help each other, in the Name of Jesus, We separate you one from another.

We now also block any demonic reinforcement coming from the land or the building we are in, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

We cut off all communication lines with the demons present in this deliverance situation with the strongman and his demons operating over the city/area/locality, in the Name of Jesus.

We speak to any external strongman: "In the Name of Jesus, you will not send any reinforcements to help the demons here in this place that we are trying to evict!!"

In the Name of Jesus Christ, we proclaim the truth that we have a legal right to receive everything GOD has given us namely:

- Life, Health, Beauty, Mental Sharpness •
- Skills, Talents, Spiritual Gifts •
- Family, Wealth, Fame, Ministry •
- Open Doors, Joy, Peace, A Future •
- Destiny and Sonship in Jesus.

We ask You GOD to open the Books and to identify every individual who has thought, spoken, or written untrue words about the things GOD has given us.

We now ask You, FATHER, to sever every agreement that was entered into between any two people or any groups of individuals and to only allow to stand those things that are true.

We now also ask You FATHER, to sever the agreements between human beings and the demonic realm where those agreements empowered the spirit of jealousy, directly or indirectly and which resulted in curses upon our lives – namely to steal, kill and destroy.

FATHER, we petition that You will now judge the thoughts and words of any agent of satan or child of GOD that has come to falsely accuse us before You, Almighty GOD, satan and men –

LORD, sever every agreement of lying accusation against us, in the Name of Jesus.

We ask You to break every curse in the Name of Jesus, reverse the curses and turn them into blessings!

Thank You, FATHER, for Your Faithfulness!

Thank You Jesus. for the price You paid by taking on all the forces of darkness and **OVERCOMING THEM FOR US!**

Thank You Holy Spirit, for leading us every step of the way to appropriate what Jesus has done for us, and to be the seal on our lives that we are more than conquerors through Jesus who always leads us into triumph over our enemies! **AMEN!**