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Scor A mark left on the skin by a cut or burn that has healed: • A lasting aftereffect of trouble, especially a lasting psychological injury resulting from suffering or trauma. Any blemish remaining as a trace of or resulting from injury or use.

On April 9, 1865 the Civil War ended. That year slavery was abolished through the 13<sup>th</sup> amendment. All the slaves were now free from their bondage but they still had both physical and psychological damage from their enslavement. The cause of their bondage was gone but the damaging effects of it weren't.

#### The Cause vs The Effect

In a similar sense, many believers are in this exact state. God has delivered them from the cause of their bondage which is sin but there are still scars and damage from that enslavement. The cause has been dealt with but what about the effect?

Romans 8:2 - For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Galatians 5:1 - Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

#### The Effects of Bondage

The Children of Israel had been delivered from slavery yet for many years afterwards they kept behaving like slaves who loved their captivity. They had been so scarred by their enslavement that it was sabotaging their freedom.

Exodus 16:1 (NLT) - Then the whole community of Israel set out from Elim and journeyed into the wilderness of Sin,a between Elim and Mount Sinai. They arrived there on the fifteenth day of the second month, one month after leaving the land of Egypt. 2 There, too, the whole community of Israel complained about Moses and Aaron. 3 "If only the LORD had killed us back in Egypt," they moaned. "There we sat around pots filled with meat and ate all the bread we wanted. But now you have brought us into this wilderness to starve us all to death

The question is then how do we get rid of these scars and the effects of the damage caused by sin?

# **Miracles of Exodus**

- 1. The Nile turned into blood: Exodus 7:14-24
- 2. The Plague of Frogs: Exodus 8:1-12
- 3. The Plague of Gnats: Exodus 8:16-19
- 4. The Plague of Flies: Exodus 8:20-30
- 5. The Plague on Livestock: Exodus 9:1-7
- 6. The Plague of Boils: Exodus 9:8-12
- 7. The Plague of Hail: Exodus 9:18-33
- 8. The Plague of Locusts: Exodus 10:12-19
- 9. The Plague of Darkness: Exodus 10:21-23
- 10. The Plague On The Firstborn: Exodus 11:4-7 & 12:29-30
- 11. God Parts the Red Sea and destroys the Egyptians: Exodus 14:21-31

#### The Complaints of Israel

- 1. The children of Israel complained at the Red the Sea when Pharoah and his army came to attack them (Exodus 14:1-14)
- 2. God sends the angel of the Lord, a pillar of cloud and pillar of fire by night to stop the Egyptians (Exodus 14:18-20)
- 3. God parts the Red Sea (Exodus 14:21
- 4. They complained against Moses at Marah when they couldn't find good drinking water (15:22-24)
- 5. They complained because they said they had plenty food when they were in bondage, and they were hungry. (Exodus 16:1-3)
- 6. God rains bread from heaven (Exodus 16:4 & 14-18)
- 7. They complained that they were thirsty saying have you brought us here to die and were ready to stone Moses. (Exodus 17:1-4)
- 8. God made water come out of rock (Exodus 17:6)
- They complained about not having meat to eat so God rained quail from the sky (Numbers 11)
- 10. God brings them to the promise land and shows them it's blessings and they weep all night complaining because there were giants (Numbers 14:1-4)
- 11. Because of their fear they couldn't enter the promise land (Numbers 14)

#### The Effect Of The Scars

Numbers 13:31 - But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. 32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature.33 And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

Numbers 14:1 - And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night. 2 And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! 3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt? 4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.

#### How To Be Whole

When it came time to walk into the promise land they didn't have the faith to do so.

The Children of Israel didn't have the faith to walk into their promise because they were never grateful for what God had done. Instead, they kept looking back at their previous enslavement. If we want to have faith for God's future promises, then we need to be grateful for the promises he has already fulfilled. For gratitude nullifies the effects of bondage.

Hebrews 3:16 - For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. 17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcases fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

#### **The David Principle**

1 Samuel 17:33 - And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. 34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: 35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. 36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. 37 David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.

When facing Goliath, Saul told David that he couldn't defeat Goliath because he lacked the experience. David countered that by recounting what God had done for him in the past. His faith in God to defeat Goliath was because of his memory and gratitude to God for past deliverances. Thankfulness or praise for what God has already done is a basis for faith. Without it our giants will convince us that we can not receive God's promises or win the victory.

#### Unthankful

Romans 1:20 - For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

2 Timothy 3:1 - This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Why Are We Ungrateful? 1. Our Traumas often blind us from the blessings we have now 2. Trauma or losses gives us a sense of entitlement because we feel we deserve a specific kind of compensation 3. We become accustomed to the trauma where it becomes crutch to justify our entitlements.

#### The Joseph Attiutde

Genesis 41:49 - And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for it was without number. 50 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare unto him. 51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

Joseph had been betrayed by his brothers, sold into slavery, falsely accused and imprisoned for a crime he didn't commit. Despite this he didn't go back to get vengeance on all who had wronged him because he was so grateful for his present blessing.

## The Job Trauma

Job never asked God to heal him, to restore his wealth, or his children. Instead he asks for the following:

- That he had never been born
- Why didn't he die in the womb?

Job 3:3 - Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child conceived. 4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.

Job 3:11 - Why died I not from the womb? why did I not give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?

## The Job Attitude

Job 23:3 - Oh that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to his seat! 4 | would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. 5 l would know the words which he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me. upon it.

Job asked to have an audience with God so that he could argue for his innocence and righteousness. He was so concerned with the reasons why he was being wronged that he never asked God to make it right.

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**Healed Vs Whole** laomai: One way of healing instantaneous or miraculous. Heal, to cure, heal, to make whole. This deals with a particular part of a person

Sozo: Salvation, To save, to make or be whole. To restore, spirit, soul, and body. It deals with the complete restoration of the entire person.

#### **The Leper Story Analyzed**

- 1. Jesus was just entering the outskirts of the village and not by any specific place so for the leper to find him could mean two things. Either Jesus stayed where he was when he gave the command to go to the priest or that they had not gone out of eyesight of Jesus when they were healed.
- 2. We should never go too far or too long from the point of our deliverance without thanking Jesus for being delivered.
- 3. This means that the other nine lepers either didn't realize that they were healed or were so ungrateful that they didn't care to go back to thank Jesus even though he was right within eyesight of them.
- 4. The one leper who came back to thank Jesus was a Samaritan. He was a foreigner and a stranger. The person who showed the most gratitude was a person who had no entitlement to God's favor.
- 5. Jesus told the lepers to go and show themselves to the priest which was commanded in the Law. The leper didn't go to the Levitical priest but went to the true high priest after the order of Melchizedek.
- 6. All ten lepers were healed but only one of them was made whole. Thanking God will cause you to be whole and remove the damage of the bondage.

#### Luke 7:36-42

One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to have dinner with him, so Jesus went to his home and sat down to eat. 37 When a certain immoral woman from that city heard he was eating there, she brought a beautiful alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume. 38 Then she knelt behind him at his feet, weeping. Her tears fell on his feet, and she wiped them off with her hair. Then she kept kissing his feet and putting perfume on them. 39 When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. She's a sinner!" 40 Then Jesus answered his thoughts. "Simon," he said to the Pharisee, "I have something to say to you." "Go ahead, Teacher," Simon replied. 41 Then Jesus told him this story: "A man loaned money to two people—500 pieces of silveri to one and 50 pieces to the other. 42 But neither of them could repay him, so he kindly forgave them both, canceling their debts. Who do you suppose loved him more after that?"

#### Luke 7:43-48

Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the larger debt." "That's right," Jesus said. 44 Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Look at this woman kneeling here. When I entered your home, you didn't offer me water to wash the dust from my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. 45 You didn't greet me with a kiss, but from the time I first came in, she has not stopped kissing my feet. 46 You neglected the courtesy of olive oil to anoint my head, but she has anointed my feet with rare perfume. 47 "I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love." 48 Then Jesus said to the woman, "Your sins are forgiven."

1 John 4:17-19 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. 19 We love him, because he first loved us.