Prayers for Cleansing and Blessing our Homes

Many of the places we now live, have been used by people who have allowed spiritual strongholds to build up and become established. These spiritual strongholds will affect you, your family, your relationships and work and walk with God. These spiritual activities may have included:

- Places to worship idols, satanic rituals, Ouija boards, etc.
- Received or released demonic curses/spirits (jinn).
- Sinful practices, activities and physical/spiritual attacks.

As a result, it is important to take time to "clean out" your house spiritually.

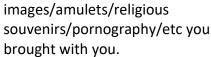
The Cleansing Process

Removal



Remove anything associated with other religions, amulets or images left in the house/flat.





"So <u>put all evil things out of your life</u>: sexual sinning, doing evil, letting evil thoughts control you, wanting things that are evil, and greed. This is really serving a false god. ⁶ These things make God angry... <u>also put these things out of your life</u>: anger, bad temper, doing or saying things to hurt others, and using evil words when you talk. ⁹ Do not lie to each other" (Colossians 3:5,6,8 NCV).

Repentance

If you have been involved in any practices mentioned above, take time to repent and ask for forgiveness from God. Repentance is to "turn around" – from sin and to God.

"...how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God" (1 Thess 1:9).

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9).

Breaking of any Curses

Def'n of Curse— 'any evil spoken against you (or attached to you, your life or your things) meant to control you, make you barren and unsuccessful, put you in spiritual bondage or subject you to spiritual attack.'

--Sin in our homes/lives opens the door for a curse to "stick". (Malachi 3:9)



- -- We ask God to break/remove any curse that is spoken against us or our things
- --The death of Jesus and His shed blood removes the sin and any attached curses.

"Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree')" (Galatians 3:13).

NOTE: A curse CANNOT attach to us or our things if our lives are spiritually clean (Deuteronomy 23:4-5).

Renouncing

Renouncing is a biblical word that means – 'to speak the words "Go Away!"'



Once we have removed

ungodly things, repented and gotten our lives clean, broken any curses, THEN we tell any demonic presence to leave.

"So give yourselves completely to God. Stand against the devil, and the devil will run from you" (James 4:7 NCV).

"Whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it." (John 14:13-14).

Blessing

God desires to bless us and our homes. A spiritually clean home is one that God will dwell in and bless.

'This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them:

²⁴ "The LORD bless you and keep you;²⁵ The LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."

²⁷ "So they shall put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them."

(Numbers 6:23-27).



Preparation Time

Cleansing your house is a necessary step to enable God's blessing upon your time here. It is also something that satan will strongly oppose – because it removes his influence in a key (and often hidden) part of your life. Therefore, we need to do it correctly so the demonic forces do not succeed in stopping us from cleansing it completely. They will oppose this process through:

- **Ignorance** we are not aware of the need to do this (You are past this stage now!).
- Unbelief we think, "This is a waste of time; there
 is nothing here." or "We cannot deal with this
 ourselves."
- **Disunity** members involved disagree on the process and will not do it together.
- Direct spiritual attack they attack things in the house, attack your health, unexplained emergencies, etc.

How to proceed

- 1. **Do it in groups of two or three people**. Doing it alone is not wise. If necessary, call someone from the church to join with you.
- Start with a short time of prayer. Ask God for wisdom and discernment, a heart of humility to do whatever God instructs you to do, boldness, and protection through this process for you, your family and the house.

I encourage you to include these verses:

"We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the One who was born of God keeps them safe, and the <u>evil one cannot harm</u> them."

1 John 5:18 NIV

"No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is from Me,"

Says the LORD." Isaiah 54:17

3. Go through the Five step Cleansing Process.

I would recommend doing it in each room of the house and if there is a yard, then do it around the yard as well. The prayers below are one way to proceed. Start with a prayer of protection, go through prayers of repentance and then prayers of Breaking/Renouncing/Blessing.

- 4. You can anoint the house with oil
 (anointing oil is good, regular olive oil is fine). The
 oil represents the Holy Spirit and His presence and
 power. I use it over every entrance point in the
 room/house (i.e. doors, windows, telephone jacks,
 internet connections, etc) and declare that Jesus is
 Lord in this home.
- 5. Take time at the end to pray and thank God.
 I recommend reading aloud either Numbers 6:23-27 or Jude 24-25). Sing a song of thanksgiving and blessing (the Doxology is a great song for this).

Prayer of Protection

Speak these words and promises over yourself, your family and your home.

- The evil one comes to kill, steal and destroy we go to God for protection (John 10:10),
- God protects us from satan's attack as a wall of fire, as a hedge around us, and as our Protector and Shield (Zech. 5:2; Job 1:10; Psalm 121:5-7).
- God provide angels to protect us (Psalm 34:7; Psalm 91:11)

In Jesus' name, Amen. (John 14:13-14)

Prayer of Repentance

- I Humble myself and acknowledge my sin before God (Psalm 51:3,4, 2 Chron. 7:14)
- I confess and ask for cleansing and forgiveness from God through the blood of Jesus (1 John 1:9)

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- I thank God for His cleansing, forgiveness and deliverance from the sin that has entrapped you (Psalm 51:2, Psalm 40:2; Psalm 32:7),
- I thank God that He will never remember this sin again (Psalm 103:12; Jeremiah 31:34).

In Jesus' name, Amen. (John 14:13-14,

Prayer of Breaking, Renouncing and Blessing

In every room we declare:

- Father, I have removed everything that honors other gods, or sinful behaviour and repented of any sinful actions and behaviours that You have revealed to me.
- I have confessed my sin as you have required and believe You, that Your blood has cleansed me from all sin. (1 John 1:9)
- Father, cleanse and remove every sin from me and my house (Ps. 51:7,9-10; Psalm 103:12).
- Remove and break any curse on me/my life/my things or my home (this room) in Jesus name. Jesus redeemed me from every curse (Gal 3:13), and every curse and bondage is broken (Ps 107:13-16).
- To any demonic presence I declare:
 "Leave, in Jesus' name. Your right to be here is removed by the blood of Jesus."
- Father, bless and fill this place:
 With Your peace (John 14:27), Your joy (John 15:11),
 Your fruitfulness (John 14:16; John 15:5), Your Love (1
 John 4:16), Your presence (Rev 3:20) Your power (Luke
 10:17-20) and Your light (John 9:5).
 Father, establish this room as a place of Your
 Presence (Exodus 40:34) and a place filled with God's
 glory (Romans 16:25).

In Jesus' name, Amen. (John 14:13-14)

If you still have any problems please feel free to call on the elders, intercessors or other spiritual leaders in the church to assist you.