

STEP ONE: Renouncing Any Involvement with Spiritual Counterfeits

Have them pray out loud:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I ask You to help me remember anything that I have done that is spiritually wrong. If someone has done something to me that is wrong, would You help to remember that also. I ask this in Jesus' name, Amen.

Put a check by anything that was done (*this list is only partially complete*):

_____ Astral-projection

_____ Ouija board

_____ Bloody Mary

_____ Table lifting

_____ Put spells or curses on people

_____ Automatic writing (in a trance)

_____ Spirit Guides

_____ Fortune telling

_____ Tarot cards

_____ Palm Reading

_____ Hypnosis

_____ Seance

_____ Black and white magic

_____ Dungeons & Dragons

_____ Blood pacts

_____ Music that is anti-Christian

_____ Non-Christian religions _____

_____ Other experiences _____

1. Have you ever heard or seen a spiritual being on your room?
2. Have you had an imaginary friend that talks to you?
3. Do you hear voices that talk to you in your head?
4. What other spiritual experiences have you had?

After they have shared their involvement with the above have them pray:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I confess that I have _____, I ask Your forgiveness, and I renounce _____. In Jesus' name, Amen.

STEP TWO: Choosing Truth

Have them pray the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I know that You want the truth from me and I must be honest with You. I have been fooled by the Father of Lies and I have fooled myself. I thought I could hide from You, but You see everything, I pray in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, that You, Heavenly Father, will rebuke all of Satan's demons by Your power. Because I have asked Jesus into my life, I am now Your child. Therefore, I command all evil spirits to leave me. I ask the Holy Spirit to lead me into all truth. I ask You to look right through me and know my heart. Show me if there is anything in me that I am trying to hide because I want to be free. In Jesus name, Amen.

Have them read out loud the following statement of faith:

1. I believe that there is only one true God who is the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that He made all things and holds all things together.
2. I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who defeated Satan and all his demons.
3. I believe that God loves me so much that He had His own Son go to the cross and die for all my sins. Jesus delivered me from Satan because He loves me, not because of how good or bad I am.
4. I believe I am spiritually strong because Jesus is my strength. I have the authority to stand against Satan because I am God's child. In order to stay strong, I am going to obey God and believe His word. I put on the armor of God so I can stay strong in the Lord.
5. I believe that I cannot win spiritual battles without Jesus so I choose to live for Him. I resist the Devil and command him to leave me.
6. I believe that truth will set me free. If Satan tries to put bad thoughts into my mind, I will not pay any attention to them. I will not listen to Satan's lying and I will not do what he wants me to do. I believe the Bible is true and I choose to believe it. I choose to speak the truth in love.
7. I choose to use my body to do only good things. I will not let Satan into my life by using my body in a wrong way. I believe that what God wants me to do is the best thing for me and so I choose to do it.
8. I ask my Heavenly Father to fill me with His Holy Spirit and guide me into all truth and make it possible to live a good Christian life. I love the Lord my God with all my heart, soul, and mind.

STEP THREE: Forgiving Others

Have them read the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I thank You for Your kindness and patience and love for me. I know that I have not been very loving or patient toward others, especially those who I don't like. I have been thinking bad thoughts about other people and storing bad feelings. I ask You to bring to my mind those people that I need to forgive. I ask this in the wonderful name of Jesus who will heal me from my hurts. Amen.

Make a list of names they need to forgive. Be sure they know that forgiving people that have hurt us is God's way of setting us free from them. Unless we forgive, they still hurt us. One person tells children that forgiving is like removing all the fish hooks that others have put in us. This is hard because you have to remember all the pain, but when you are done you are no longer hooked to them. Forgiveness is believing that God will judge the other person in the right way, and heal us from the pain. To forgive from the heart, they need to admit to the hurt and the hate. Have them go through the list of names saying, "Lord, I forgive (names) for (specify every thing that they remember that was done to them). Stay with the first person until all the remembered pain has surfaced, then go on to the next person.

Names:

Special Renunciations

Satanic Ritual:

Should a child ever have the horrible experience of being involuntarily subjected to satanic ritual, they will need to renounce their forced participation as follows:

Kingdom of Darkness	Kingdom of Light
I renounce ever signing my name over to Satan or having my name signed over to Satan	I announce that my name is now written in the Lamb's Book of Life
I renounce any ceremony where I may have been wed to Satan	I announce that I am the Bride of Christ
I renounce any and all covenants (agreements) with Satan	I announce that I have a new covenant with Christ
I renounce any sacrifices that were made for me where Satan would claim ownership of me	I announce that I belong to God because of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross for me
I renounce ever giving of my blood in satanic ritual	I trust only in the shed blood of Jesus for my salvation
I renounce ever eating of flesh or drinking of blood for Satanic worship	By faith, I eat only the flesh and drink only the blood of Jesus
I renounce all guardians and surrogate parents that were assigned to me by Satanists	I announce that God is my Heavenly Father and the Holy Spirit is my guardian

Eating Disorders:

People with eating disorders are driven with compulsive thoughts to eliminate things from their body by defecating, vomiting, or cutting themselves. They believe they are purging themselves of evil. Have them renounce as follows:

I renounce cutting myself to purge myself of evil as a Satanic counterfeit	I announce that only the blood of Jesus can cleanse
I renounce vomiting to purge myself of evil and reject the lie that I am fat or that my self worth is in my body	I announce that all food created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected by those who know the truth
I renounce taking laxatives to purge myself of evil by defecating	I announce that it is not what enters into the mouth that defiles me but what comes from the heart

LEADING YOUR CHILD THROUGH STEPS TO FREEDOM IN CHRIST

AGES 9-13

For people 14 years and older, we suggest that they go through the "Steps to Freedom" outlined in *The Bondage Breaker*. You may also obtain these steps along with a leader's guide in booklet form from Freedom In Christ Ministries (see the order form at the end of this syllabus). The parent, pastor, or counselor working with the child must be sure of their own freedom in Christ before trying to help another. Remember that obtaining spiritual freedom is not spiritual maturity. All the other aspects of normal development are still in process. Be careful to use terms that a child of this age can understand.

In order for them to cooperate they must know that they are not the problem, but that they *have* a problem. You also must have their cooperation to share with you any mental opposition to what you are attempting to do. The power of Satan is in the lie. As soon as the lie is exposed, the power is broken. The control center is the mind, and if Satan can get them to believe a lie - he can control their lives. Thoughts like, "this isn't going to work," or "God doesn't love you" can interfere only if they believe the lies. Before you begin, pray authoritatively:

Dear Heavenly Father,

We acknowledge Your presence in this room and in our lives. You are everywhere, all powerful, and know all things. We need You, and know that we can do nothing without You. We believe the Bible because it tells us what is really true. We refuse to believe the lies of Satan. We ask You to rebuke Satan, and place a hedge of protection around this room so we can do Your will. Because we are children of God, we take authority over Satan and command Satan to release (name) in order that (name) can know and choose to do the will of God. In the name of Jesus, we command Satan and all his forces to be bound and silenced within (name) so they cannot inflict any pain or in any way prevent God's will from being accomplished in (name's) life. We ask the Holy Spirit to fill us and direct us into all truth. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

The parent, pastor, or counselor is the only facilitator in the process. The victim must pray the prayers himself. It is not what we do that sets them free, it is what they choose to renounce, confess, forgive, etc.

STEP FOUR: Rebellion

Have them pray the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

You have said in the Bible that rebellion is the same thing as witchcraft and disobedience is like honoring other gods. I know that I have disobeyed and rebelled in my heart against You and others that You have put in authority over me. I ask for Your forgiveness for my rebellion and by the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ I resist all evil spirits who took advantage of my rebellion. Amen.

STEP FIVE: Pride

Have them pray the following prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I confess that I have thought only of myself. Many times I don't think of others. I have believed that I am the only one who cares about me, so I have to take care of myself. I have turned away from You and not let You love me. I am tired of living for myself and by myself. I renounce the self lie and ask that You fill me with Your Spirit so that I can do Your will. By giving my heart to You, I stand against all the ways that Satan would attack me. I ask You to show me how to live for others. I now choose to make others more important than myself and You the most important of all. I ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

STEP SIX: Sin

Dear Heavenly Father,

I agree with You that I have done some bad things. I ask You to help me to know all the things that I have done which are wrong. I now confess that I have:

(list all known sins)

I thank You for forgiving me for all my sin. I now command Satan to leave me and I choose to live the right kind of life so that I can be free.

STEP SEVEN: Sins of the Fathers

Have them pray out loud the following prayer of renunciation:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I come to You as Your child, bought by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. I renounce and reject for me all the sins of my ancestors. I have been set free from the power of darkness and I am now in the kingdom of God's dear Son. Jesus has broken all ties and workings of Satan passed on to me from my ancestors. I have died with Christ and so I am now alive in Christ and sit with Him in the spiritual world. Because I am owned by Jesus, I reject any and all ways in which Satan may claim ownership over me. I announce to all the forces of evil that I am forever and completely committed and signed over to the Lord Jesus Christ. I now command every evil spirit that is familiar with my family and every enemy of the Lord Jesus Christ that is in or around me to leave me forever. I now ask You, Heavenly Father, to fill me with Your Holy Spirit. I present my body to You so people will know that You live in me. All this I do in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

What About Tomorrow?

1. Make sure you have the right kind of friends.
2. Always think and speak the truth in love.
3. Read your Bible daily.
4. Honor your Mother and your Father.
5. Obey all those who have authority over you.
6. Don't let problems build up--share your struggles with someone.
7. Don't try to live the Christian life by yourself.
8. Always call upon God when you think you are under attack.
9. If something tries to scare you, tell it to leave in the name of Jesus.
10. Enjoy the wonderful life that God has given you and all that He has created.