

## **Moving Beyond the Past**

### **Introduction**

Many Christians do not live a victorious life because they are still bound up in the past. They have never received true inner healing in regards to what has happened to them in the past or what they have done in the past. The past controls their present way of living, and if they do not experience inner healing, the past will control their future.

Many Christians pretend to ignore the wounds of the past and yet they make day-to-day decisions based upon past wounds. We cannot change the past but we can be healed from the past. Jesus can not only heal our wounds but He can remove the scars of the past.

This course is to help individuals to move beyond the past and live a victorious Christian life. To help individuals understand what Jesus has accomplished on the cross, and that He wants to remove all obstacles that interfere with them being filled with the fullness of His Holy Spirit.

It is God's desire for each of us to move beyond the past and to walk in His anointing.

#### **Topics:**

Non-Christian Spiritual Inventory

Lesson One: What is Healing Past Hurts?

Lesson Two: Who Needs Healing?

Lesson Three: Prodigal Son-God's Forgiveness

Lesson Four: Face to Face Encounter with God

Lesson Five: The Power of the Cross

Lesson Six: Forgiveness and Inner Healing

Lesson Seven: Inner Vows

Lesson Eight: Bitter Root Judgments

Lesson Nine: Closing Open Doors

Lesson Ten: Breaking Every Curse

Lesson Eleven: Breaking Every Deception

Lesson Twelve: Being Filled with the Holy Spirit

## Non-Christian Spiritual Experience Inventory

Check any of the following with which you or your ancestors have had any involvement. Place a check before each one in which you have participated in fun, out of curiosity or in earnest.

- Psychic readings
- Card laying
- Crystal ball
- Palm reading
- Tea leaves
- Tarot cards
- Attended or participated in a séance
- Attended or participated in a spiritualist meeting
- Ouija board
- Magic eight ball
- Automatic (spirit) writing
- Levitation
- Table lifting
- Read or follow the horoscope
- Astrology
- Clairvoyance
- Telepathy
- ESP
- Speaking in a trance
- Mystical meditation
- Astral projection/travel
- Magical charming
- Fetishism (objects of worship/idols)
- Cabala/kabala
- Water witching (dowsing) rod and pendulum
- Materialization
- Metaphysics
- Self-realization
- Witchcraft
- Sorcery
- Mental suggestion
- Dream interpretation
- I Ching
- Been hypnotized
- Practiced self-hypnosis
- Practiced yoga
- Other
  
- Christian Science
- Unity
- The Way International
- Unification Church
- Mormonism

- Church of the Living Word
- The Local Church
- Children of God
- Worldwide Church of God (Herbert W. Armstrong)
- Jehovah's Witnesses
- Unitarianism
- Masonic orders
- Swedenborgianism
- Other
  
- Zen Buddhism
- Hare Krishna
- Bahaism
- Rosicrucianism
- New Age
- Inner Peace Movement
- Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship
- Transcendental Meditation
- EST/The Forum
- Eckankar
- Mind-control philosophies
- Science of the Mind
- Science of Creative Intelligence
- Theosophical Society
- Islam
- Black Muslim
- Hinduism
- Other
  
- Had a spirit guide.
- Read or possessed occult literature, especially the Satanic Bible, Book of Shadows, Secrets of the Psalms, Sixth and Seventh Books of Moses.
- Read or studied parapsychology.
- Practiced black or white magic.
- Possessed occult or pagan religious objects that were made for use in pagan temples or religious rites, or in the practice of magic, sorcery, witchcraft, divination or spiritualism.
- Seen or been involved in Satan worship.
- Sought healing (either as a child or as an adult) through magic conjuration, charming, psychic healing or New Age medicine.
- Tried to locate a missing person or object by consulting someone with psychic powers.
- Encountered ghosts or materializations of persons known to be dead.
- Entered into a blood pact with another person.
- Been the object of sexual attacks by demons (incubi, succubi).
- Been involved with heavy metal or allied kinds of rock music.
- Heard voices in your mind or had compulsive thoughts that were foreign to what you believe.
- Have periods in childhood or the present when you cannot remember what happened.

1. Have you ever attended a New Age or parapsychology seminar, or consulted a medium, spiritist or channeler? Explain.
2. Do you or have you ever had an imaginary friend or spirit guide offering you guidance or companionship? Explain.
3. Have you ever heard voices in your mind or had repeating and nagging thoughts that were foreign to what you believe or feel, as though a dialogue was going on in your head? Explain.
4. What other spiritual experiences have you had that would be considered out of the ordinary (such as sensing an evil presence in your room at night as a child)?
5. Have you been a victim of satanic ritual abuse? Explain.

**Definitions:**

Magic Eight Ball: Toy for fortune telling, using numbers

Cabala: Jewish mysticism

I Ching: Divination using numbers

Swedenborgianism: Christian cult movement based upon Emanuel Swedenborg having ‘new revelations’ based upon a Jesus Only philosophy.

Rosicrucianism: built on supposed truths of the ancient past which were concealed from the average man, providing insight into nature, the physical universe and the spiritual realm, connected with Kabblah

Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship: interfaith, non-profit, mysticism philosophy based upon altered states of consciousness

EST: New Age, Human Growth Movement, All about you, not a divine being.

Eckankar: New Age, embrace Karma and reincarnation

Theosophical Society: Occultism, Cabala, Eastern Religion

Incubi and Succubi: An incubus is a demon in male form who, according to mythological and legendary traditions, lies upon sleepers, especially women, in order to engage in sexual activity with them. Its female counterpart is the succubus. Superstitious folk have for many centuries told salacious tales of incubi and succubi.