

Chapter Five

The Law of Yielding and Bondage

Scriptural Foundation Romans 6:16

Rom.6:16

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Simply stated:

“Whatever you yield your body to brings you under its power.”

“You become enslaved to whomever or whatever you yield your (physical) members.”

Operative Principle:

Voluntary servitude will eventually lead to involuntary slavery or bondage.

The willful and repeated submission of your physical body will often lead to habit-forming behaviors that may be difficult to stop. Examples of the Law of Yielding and Bondage at work in our physical members include:

- Drinking alcohol resulting in alcohol **addiction**.
- Using drugs resulting in drug **addiction**.
- Using pornography resulting in porn **addiction**.

When we commit sexual sin, the Law of Yielding and Bondage begins to work in our members in a manner that can lead us into situations of sexual bondage. This bondage may be difficult to escape. Please read the story of Samson and Delilah in Judges 16:4-20.

The Law of Yielding and Bondage & The Law of Cleaving Are Related

Let us examine how the Law of Yielding and Bondage and the Law of Cleaving are related. Even as Mount Gerazim and Mount Ebal are closely related, as explained in Chapter 3, so are the Law of Yielding and Bondage and the Law of Cleaving. These two laws can be likened to the two sides of a single coin. In this analogy, one side of the coin is **heads (Law of Cleaving)** and the other side of the coin is **tails (Law of Yielding and Bondage)**. As with Mount Gerazim and Ebal, the choices we make will determine which side of the coin we will experience.

Likewise, our **obedience** to the law or our **rebellion** against it, will determine which side of the coin we encounter. If we obey and cooperate with the law, we will experience blessings (**Law of Cleaving**) but if we disobey, we will experience the curse (**Law of Yielding and Bondage**). In this sense, the choices we make in life will determine our destiny.

Remember, the Law of Cleaving was established in part, to bond a husband and wife within a committed marital relationship. It was established for the benefit of marriage and serves to anchor, stabilize and strengthen the husband and wife bond.

The Law of Cleaving was divinely set in motion with marriage in mind. When a husband has sexual intercourse with his wife, the Law of Cleaving initiates a physiological, psychological, and emotional bond. This bond is to aid in uniting a couple in lifelong commitment.

However, if we violate God's word and engage in sexual intercourse outside of marriage (commit fornication), the Law of Cleaving, established to bless us (Gerazim), will now manifest itself as the Law of Yielding and Bondage that will curse us (Ebal). Remember, the Law of Cleaving was to bind

Prov.5:22

*His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself,
and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.*

Sex within marriage activates the Law of Cleaving, which results in a blessing. Sex outside the bounds of marriage, is an act of rebellion against divine order. This behavior will bring a **curse** in your life due to the Law of Yielding and Bondage being activated. When this occurs, **ungodly soul ties** may develop.

For a review of ungodly soul ties, please read Volume 2, page 191-192.

Conclusions: Chapter 5

1. The scriptural foundation for the Law of Yielding and Bondage is found in Romans 6:16.

Rom.6:16

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

2. The Law of Yielding and Bondage states;
“Whatever you yield your body to brings you under its power”
3. The Law of Yielding and Bondage binds a person to his/her sin. (Prov.5:22)
4. The Law of Yielding and Bondage may be activated when fornication (sexual sin) is committed.
5. When the Law of Yielding and Bondage is activated, **ungodly soul ties** can develop.
6. Sex within marriage activates the Law of Cleaving, which results in a blessing.
7. Addictions develop when the Law of Yielding and Bondage is activated.
8. Fornication, which is sex outside marriage, is an act of rebellion against divine order.
9. Both addictions and soul ties are established when the Law of Yielding and Bondage is activated within our bodies.

The Law of Union

Scriptural Foundation

1 Cor.6:16

What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.

Please review Volume 1 pg.56-58.

Simply Stated:

“Physical (sexual) union leads to spiritual union.”

The Law Of Union Affirms:

1. Sex is more than a physical act.
2. Sexual intercourse engages our spirit, soul and body.
3. Sexual intercourse results in spiritual consequences.

Numbers 25 provides a clear Old Testament illustration of the **Law of Union** at work.

As the newly liberated nation of Israel traveled through the wilderness, they approached the Plains of Moab. It was at this place Israel had an encounter with Balak, the King of Moab. The name Balak means to *devastate*, *waste* or *annihilate*. This was Balak’s only purpose as it related to the nation of Israel.

Balak hired a prophet by the name of Balaam to curse Israel (see Numbers chapters 22 and 23). But every time Balaam attempted to curse Israel, Israel’s God caused him to bless them.

Even though Balaam could not curse Israel, he did give Balak some advice which proved to be very destructive to Israel as a nation. Balaam's counsel eventually led to the death of about 24,000 Israelites (Num.25:9). The advice Balaam gave to Balak is revealed in Rev. 2:14.

Rev.2:14

*But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the **doctrine of Balaam**, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to **commit fornication**.*

Balaam's instruction was designed to invoke God's anger by tempting Israel to commit sexual sin with Moabite women who were acting as religious prostitutes in the worship of Baal-peor, a local sex god.

Num.25:1-3

*And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab. And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods. **And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.***

In sexually uniting with the Baal-peor prostitutes, the men of Israel were also spiritually uniting with Baal-peor, the unseen sex deity these prostitutes represented. The spiritual nature of Israel's whoredom should be emphasized. In committing fornication with these women, spiritual union with an unseen spirit of sexual lust,

The men of Israel saw the Moabite prostitutes, but **God saw** the unseen Baal spirit of sexual lust the people were being joined to spiritually as a result of sexual sin. God not only saw the physical union which took place, He also saw the spiritual union between the men and the unseen Baal deity. It was the reality of what took place in the spirit realm that sparked God's anger. In the case of sexual sin.....

Num.25:3

And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.

When we engage in fornication, there are unseen spiritual forces working in the spirit realm seeking to **defile** and **destroy** us. The scriptural passage in Numbers 25 illustrates this important spiritual truth:

“Sexual union results in spiritual union.”

In committing fornication, the men of Israel were engaging in an act that not only affected them physically, but also spiritually. Even though they did not realize it, there was an unseen entity they were being joined to. In like manner, every time we commit sexual sin, we are joined to, and leave a part of our spiritual identity with another. Sexual sin impacts us in ways we do not yet fully understand.

Consider 1 Cor.6:18.