

Doctrinal Studies:
CURSED OR BLESSED BY ASSOCIATION

We can be cursed by association with people or blessed by association with God and His Word.

- I. Tremendous conflict in the Garden of Eden continues to have repercussions to this very day.
- II. At the time of the woman's sin and her spiritual death Adam was still in a state of perfect happiness.
- III. Adam could choose perfect happiness with God in the Garden or unhappiness with the woman outside the Garden.
- IV. Unhappiness with the woman became the winner. Adam could choose, and he did. Made the wrong decision as was cursed by association.
- V. Unhappiness always attacks happiness, for happiness is the invention of God to be maintained by means of God's Truth in the soul.
- VI. No one can remain happy by association with unhappy people unless he stays in the Divine power system (DPS).
- VII. Unhappy people in business, social life, marriage, professional life, home life, etc., will cause a believer to be unhappy unless there is SFRIS.
- VIII. The pull on Adam in the Garden before he sinned was stronger in the direction of the unhappy woman, who had sinned and fallen, than in the direction of God who had provided the categories of trees in the Garden for his happiness.

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CONCLUSIONS:

YOU CAN ASSOCIATE WITH UNHAPPY PEOPLE AND BE HAPPY – BUT MOST PEOPLE ARE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO DO IT.

LIFE IN THE DPS IS THE ONLY WAY!

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- I. Believers associated with unhappy people are prone to unhappiness.
- II. Therefore believers, BEWARE, that in your association with unhappy people, you do not reject or ignore your *only source* of happiness.
- III. Unhappiness is contagious, unless one is perceptive and applying Truth consistently.
- IV. Sometimes complete separation becomes necessary.
- V. If separation is impossible then the believer must use God's word to endure.
- VI. The ability to know when to separate and when to endure requires maximum knowledge and wisdom from Truth. Rewards will come to the winner, plus access to the tree of life in eternity, which is ultimate happiness forever.