

Word of God Ministry Church Under The Son

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Abusive Person

Abusive people are found in all socioeconomic levels and in all educational, racial, and age groups. Both women and men can be abusers. Abusers have a very low “boiling point” and are conditioned to vent their anger only through abusing someone either physically or verbally. They often have low self-esteem, feel like failures, and relate poorly to people. They try to control the activities of the target of their abuse. They spy on those they seek to control, believing that such behavior promotes the good of the family or the relationship. They are jealous, accusing a mate of being unsupportive or unfaithful. They often offend others without remorse and have no sense of guilt even after admitting the problem.

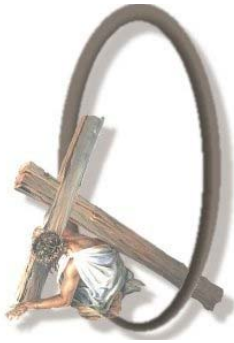
If you recognize your own behavior as abusive, you are commended for admitting your problem and seeking help in the Word of God. The Bible has answers to all problems, especially those regarding family relationships. If you have never committed your life to Jesus Christ and accepted His salvation, that is the first step. Without a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, you do not have access to the help and healing that God can give you in your situation.

- Recognizing The Sin Of Abuse

Psalm 10:2-11 ²The wicked in his pride persecutes the poor; Let them be caught in the plots which they have devised. ³For the wicked boasts of his heart's desire; He blesses the greedy and renounces the Lord. ⁴The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts. ⁵His ways are always prospering; Your judgments are far above, out of his sight; As for all his enemies, he sneers at them. ⁶He has said in his heart, "I shall not be moved; I shall never be in adversity." ⁷His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and oppression; Under his tongue is trouble and iniquity. ⁸He sits in the lurking places of the villages; In the secret places he murders the innocent; His eyes are secretly fixed on the helpless. ⁹He lies in wait secretly, as a lion in his den; He lies in wait to catch the poor; He catches the poor when he draws him into his net. ¹⁰So he crouches, he lies low, That the helpless may fall by his strength. ¹¹He has said in his heart, "God has forgotten; He hides His face; He will never see."

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As a person who has abused those close to you, you must be willing to face the reality of what you have done. All people are of great value to God - so much so that He sent His Son to die in order that you could have a relationship with Him. He wants you to cherish other people and treat them well, with love and concern for their highest welfare (Ephesians 4:32). God has a special love for children: *“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven’” (Matthew 19:14).*

As an abuser, you probably justify yourself, either feeling that your victims goad you to the point of abuse or denying that you are abusive. It is important for you to understand that your abuse is sin, and it is destroying your spouse or children or any other person toward whom you are abusive. If your behavior persists, it will destroy your life, as well. But God can help you gain control over this behavior.

- Repenting From Abuse

Psalm 10:12-18 ¹²Arise, O Lord! O God, lift up Your hand! Do not forget the humble. ¹³Why do the wicked renounce God? He has said in his heart, “You will not require an account.” ¹⁴But You have seen, for You observe trouble and grief, To repay it by Your hand. The helpless commits himself to You; You are the helper of the fatherless. ¹⁵Break the arm of the wicked and the evil man; Seek out his wickedness until You find none. ¹⁶The Lord is King forever and ever; The nations have perished out of His land. ¹⁷Lord, You have heard the desire of the humble; You will prepare their heart; You will cause Your ear to hear, ¹⁸To do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, That the man of the earth may oppress no more.

God is the defender of the helpless. He will hold you accountable if you abuse others. You must be willing to confess your abusive behavior as sin and look to God for correction and deliverance in order to change. God will forgive your sin; this is why He sent His Son Jesus Christ to take the punishment for your sin when He died on the cross. He is merciful toward us when we admit our wrongdoing and turn away from our sinful behavior (1 John 1:9).

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- Deliverance From Being An Abuser

Romans 13:10-14 ¹⁰Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. ¹¹And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lust.

God wants to deliver you from your destructive behaviors. The only way to “cast off the works of darkness” and “put on the armor of light” is through a relationship with Jesus Christ. He can change you through “renewing your mind.” Allow God to change your thinking and your perceptions (Romans 12:1, 2). Immerse yourself in the principles of God by reading and studying the Bible every day and by praying and confessing your sin to God every day. Become involved in Church and learn about the Gospel and God’s grace. Keep a close relationship with the Pastor and ask him to hold you accountable in your behavior as you pursue healing in this area of your life.

Ask the Pastor for a referral to a professional Christian Counselor. This is a serious, deep-rooted problem that requires counseling from a Biblical perspective. Your Pastor or Counselor can also help you come to the point of genuinely repenting and seeking forgiveness from those you have harmed.

If you earnestly seek God’s help, His Holy Spirit will shine a light on the darkest parts of your life, revealing what needs to change. *“Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting” (Psalm 139:23, 24).*

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