

Rejection – Abandonment **By Larry Chkoreff**

Rejection and abandonment in a person's life creates one of the most severe types of inner wounds. An inner wound is like a wound on your skin but it is located on your soul and/or spirit. It is caused by sin, often sin from others. For more Scriptural detail on this please look at chapter 4 of our book Free To Be You –

http://www.isob-bible.org/aaa/English/Free_to_be_You/Free-prohibit2.7.pdf

Rejection is often caused by a parent figure - the father rejection is the worse kind. It is also perpetrated in marriages between husband and wife, and in many other relationships and environments including the workplace.

Many rejected people feel like a constant failure. They feel like everything that they do or touch will fail, even their relationship with God. Often they feel inferior to other believers and wonder why they do not have the same intimacy with God that others have.

The most powerful positive force in the universe is the love of God. Rejection is the opposite of the love of God and therefore one of the most powerful negative forces.

How rejection wounds us.

God created us to be in relationship with Him as our loving Father. Bad earthly relationships create wounds in our inner being that we don't even recognize as wounds. These wounds not only cause us to live ungodly lifestyles, but they also keep us from a relationship with God our Father and Jesus.

Other types of wounds, rejection from others. The following is a quote from Dunklin.¹

Many people come from dysfunctional homes. That doesn't necessarily mean alcoholism or drug abuse is in the home. Alcohol and drug abuse are merely forms of dysfunction. There are many forms of dysfunction, but to simplify the term, any home in which Christ is not the Head, is dysfunctional.

Physical abuse, mental abuse, sexual abuse, or even a highly demanding parent can produce dysfunction in a home. The parent who requires constant perfection initiates a climate of performance orientation in the home. The child is prompted to perform to receive love and attention. This is a dysfunctional home atmosphere!

Physical abuse.

The physically abused child is immediately filled with fear and confusion. There is no doubt in its mind that it has been rejected. Deep down, feelings of anger, and a desire to get even and to punish, begin to build. Because the child has an abusive role model, he is likely to become an abuser, himself.

Sexual abuse.

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The child who has been subject to molestation develops an inability to be open and warm with people. He usually displays a victim mentality, and lacks the ability to trust anyone, especially authority figures.

The wounds from sexual abuse run deep. They have caused many people to live lifestyles that are very destructive. They seem to cause despair and hopelessness. I have seen lives that have been marvelously healed and that are being greatly used by God for the healing of others.

Healing.

Isaiah 53:3-5

“3 He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, *our* faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

4 Surely He has *borne* our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.

5 But He *was* wounded for our transgressions, *He was* bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed.”

The word *borne* is powerful. It means that Jesus removed our inner wounds and He Himself carried them and suffered them. **The word forgive means to remove and transfer to another place.** That includes rejection and abandonment.

How could that be?

Matthew 27:46

“46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken (see definition below) Me?””

Strong's definition -abandon, desert leave in straits, leave helpless totally abandoned, utterly forsaken.

I was ministering to a young person recently about their wound of abandonment (as written here). When I quoted Matthew 27:46 and stated that Father God actually abandoned Jesus (for a time) on the Cross-, he said that was impossible. After more discussion and explaining that if Jesus had not been abandoned that we would not be healed from our wounds of rejection and abandonment, this person finally got it with tears. Jesus not only bore our sins that we committed, but He also bore the sins that were perpetrated against us. That is enough to make me cry now while I am typing.

Just believe.

Right now make a verbal decision to believe this amazing gift from God. If it takes some time to “feel” the healing, keep on quoting the Scriptures and keep on believing. You may put destruction on a spiritual force and see other people healed and saved!

Luke 11:21-22 “When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. 22 “But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils.