PHARMAKEIA SPIRIT

1. Introduction

Sorcery is where someone uses witchcraft, magic and other demonic powers to exercise supernatural power over a person or situation. In certain of the scriptures that speak of sorcery, the root word used is “Pharmakeia”. This word points to the use of drugs or to a person who makes and dispenses potions. The spirit of Pharmakeia operates by using a two-fold attack -- the giving of herbs, medicine or drugs that come with something that is hidden from the person receiving them. The hidden element is spiritual, not from the Lord and will lead to death.

I am not saying that medicine is evil and should not be taken. I’m saying that there are a few things to consider before you take any medication.

- On whom are your eyes focused for your healing -- man or God?
- What is the root cause of your illness?
- Is your treatment focused on addressing the symptoms or the root cause of the illness?

In Numbers 21:5-9 we read of the Israelites complaining and the Lord sending fiery serpents among them. The serpents bit the Israelites and many of them died. Would you think that complaining warrants a death penalty? In God’s eyes it does. You might not have thought of it in this light, but when you complain you are telling God that He is not doing a good job. The Israelites were quick to repent and asked Moses to intervene on their behalf. God told Moses to make a bronze serpent and to put it on a pole and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, they only needed to look at the serpent and they would be healed. I find it ironic that the medical emblem today is still that of a serpent, two serpents entwined around a staff. The question you have to ask yourself is: “Are your eyes on the entwined serpent for healing, just like the eyes of the Israelites were?” The serpent on the pole became an idol to the Israelites and had to be destroyed. Have those in the medical profession today become your serpent on a staff? Have they become your idol?

God created man with a need for God within them. It is when man does not seek and walk with God in spirit and in truth that the root causes for all kinds of illnesses present themselves. The more the separation between man and God, the wider the door opens for sin to enter and cause illness and death. When separation occurs, another demon will immediately enter. Self-rejection will become your constant companion, whispering lies about your inabilities and failures to a point where your mind
can no longer distinguish between Satan’s lies and your own thoughts. Now the lies become accepted as truth and it is at this point that all the demons of fear barge in – fear of rejection, fear of failure, fear of illness, fear of death, fear of the unknown, and so the list continues. The Bible calls fear a spirit of bondage and you have therefore become a slave to sin. Romans 8:15: “For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."” And once again in 2 Timothy 1:7 “For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”

There are many root causes for illnesses and many of them are mentioned in this book. Some of the most common root causes include disobedience to God, failure to keep God’s commandments and statutes, lack of love for self and others, lack of submitting your mind, soul, body and spirit to the Lord, complaining, discontentment, rejection, bitterness, anger and fear. Have you searched your life, and the lives of your ancestors, to find where separation between you and God began? If not, you are only treating the symptoms of your illness and not the root cause. Identify the sins of your ancestors and those you have also been actively involved in. Repent with all your heart and turn away from these sins. Deal with the demonic spirits that have entered you and call on the Lord for deliverance. We have seen many people receive their physical healing by following this path! God wants to do this for you too.

The first time I came across the spirit of Pharmakeia, was through a Word of Knowledge from the Lord. We were ministering to a woman who had tried to commit suicide repeatedly by using medications to overdose. God revealed a spirit, unknown to us at the time, by the name of “Pharmakeia”. As soon as we addressed it, the spirit manifested with a strong smell of medicine. The miracle that followed left us elated with the goodness of God. We have included the full testimony after the section “Road to Victory”. An interesting observation is that this woman was not using “way out” medications. She was using everyday medications that you can buy over the counter as well as some prescription drugs. What I’m trying to say here is that you shouldn’t think that this spirit waits for you to dance naked around a fire in the middle of the woods -- it operates through of the “normal” people around you.

2. Scripture References

- Galatians 5:19-21 “Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”
- Numbers 23:23 “For there is no sorcery against Jacob, Nor any divination against Israel. It now must be said of Jacob And of Israel, ‘Oh, what God has done!'”
• Numbers 24:1 “Now when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he did not go as at other times, to seek to use sorcery, but he set his face toward the wilderness.”

• 2 Chronicles 33:6 “Also he caused his sons to pass through the fire in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom; he practiced soothsaying, used witchcraft and sorcery, and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke Him to anger.”

• Acts 8:9 “But there was a certain man called Simon, who previously practiced sorcery in the city and astonished the people of Samaria, claiming that he was someone great”

• Revelation 18:23 “The light of a lamp shall not shine in you anymore, and the voice of bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you anymore. For your merchants were the great men of the earth, for by your sorcery all the nations were deceived.”

• Revelation 9:21 “And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.”

3. Hierarchy

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     Principalities
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     Pharmakeia
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  Witchcraft  Idolatry  Disobedience  Greed
  Fear      Control       Torment       Lying Spirit
  Fear      Submissive     Deception     Rejection
  Control   Spirit       Hatred        Spirit
  Submissive Spirit      Death        Manipulation
  Bondage
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Idolatry

Deception

Hatred

Death

Manipulation

Addiction

Rejection

Self Rejection

Fear of Rejection
4. Main Tasks

The main task of Pharmakeia is to turn man’s eyes away from the Lord as the Healer and, instead, focusing them on man’s wisdom and man’s evil intentions, in the area of healing.

5. Identifying Questionnaire

Directions

Read through each of these statements and rate yourself using a score between 1 and 5.

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Seldom
- 3 = Usually
- 4 = Often
- 5 = Always

To determine your score, rate yourself on each statement. List your scores, then add them and divide the total by the number of statements -- for example; if your total is 60, then your score will be 60/19 = 3.15.

1. I suffer from constant illnesses / allergies
2. My parents suffered from similar illnesses
3. I fail to have "the elders" pray for me for healing when I'm sick
4. Medicine is my hope for a cure of illness
5. I do not believe that spirits can cause illness
6. I have visited a sorcerer / witchdoctor / spiritual healer
7. I have eaten or drank potion
8. I have visited a witch / Satanist to cure me
9. I have complained
10. I am not content
11. There is separation between me and God
12. I suffer from rejection
13. I suffer from self rejection
14. I suffer from fear of rejection
15. I suffer from fears
16. I have suicidal thoughts
17. I fear death
18. I operate in sorcery
19. I abuse medication
20. I am in torment
Here is what your score reveals about you:

- If your score is between 1 and 2:
  This is not the main area in which Satan and his demons have attacked you. If you have a high score on any of the issues listed above, simply ask God for forgiveness and refrain from committing this sin again.

- If your score is between 3 and 5:
  Satan and his demons have successfully attacked you in this area. You need deliverance and will need to follow the steps discussed in the section “The Road to Victory”.

6. Entrapments

- Willingly allowing separation between you and God
- Doubt of God’s Word and God’s power to heal
- Disobedience to God’s laws and commandments
- Sins of the ancestors
- Complaining
- Discontentment

7. Fruits

Work / Action

- Brings man to a place where they fail to look at God for healing, instead looking at medicine for healing
- Denying God’s power to heal
- Establish major medical systems to cater for illness / accidents
- Focuses on profiting from others’ lack of knowledge

Emotions

- Fear of death
- Fear of illness
- Rejection
- Self-rejection
- Fear of rejection
- Helplessness
- Hopelessness
• Despair

**Attitudes**
• Focused on curing symptoms instead of addressing the root causes
• Self-reliant
• Complaining
• Discontentment
• Independence
• Denying God's power

**Conditions**
• Focused on establishing a dependency relationship (addiction)
• It thrives on the creation and maintenance of widespread fear
• It enslaves those who look at it as their source of health
• It kills those who use it – side effects

**Illnesses**
• Most illnesses and infirmities effecting the body, mind, soul and spirit
• Addictions
• A brilliant book to read is “A More Excellent Way” by Henry W. Wright and it has a comprehensive list of illnesses with root causes.

8. **Common Accomplices**
• Belial
• Abaddon
• Baal
• Jezebel

9. **Road to Victory**

**Identification of the spirit**
Identify the work of this spirit in your life by completing the Identifying Questionnaire.
Forgiveness

Make a list of the names of those people you need to forgive, including yourself, your parents and ancestors. Forgive those who have sinned against you and release them. Ask God to forgive you, as you forgave those who sinned against you. Ask God to forgive you for being a stumbling block to others and that you allowed this spirit to operate through you.

Repentance of sins

- Repent for harboring this spirit. An example of a prayer of repentance:
  - Lord I ask You, in the Name of Jesus Christ, to forgive my ancestors and I for allowing this spirit to operate through us
- Repent and turn away from the sins caused by this spirit, which are:
  - Disobedience to God’s commandments and statutes
  - Disobedience to God’s voice
  - Idolatry – focusing their eyes on man for healing instead of God
  - Witchcraft
  - Sorcery
  - Lying
  - Deception
  - Manipulation
  - Complaining
  - Discontentment
  - Rejection
  - Self-rejection
  - Fear of rejection
  - Fear of death
  - Stubbornness
  - Pride and arrogance
  - Bitterness
  - Bondage
  - Anger outbursts and the confusion I have created as a result

Sever ungodly soul-ties and ungodly spiritual contracts

- Identify all soul-ties that have occurred due to ungodly sexual relationships. Cut each of these soul-ties individually and declare them null and void. Declare that the demons that used these soul-ties to transfer from person to person will have no more rights to do this. Seal these soul-ties with the anointing of the Holy Spirit and/or the blood of Jesus
- Make the following declaration:
  - In the Name of Jesus Christ, I declare a divorce with this spirit
  - I tear up any contracts and revoke any rights my ancestors or I gave these spirits in our life and declare them nullified
• I declare that I take all rights back in the name of Jesus Christ who came in the flesh

Deal with curses, rituals and altars

• Ask the Lord to lift any curses that He has allowed to come upon you because of these sins. For example: Father, in Jesus Name I ask that You will remove the following curses and fruits in my life as a result of my ancestors' and my own involvement with this spirit:
  • Curse of a bed of anguish and suffering
  • Curse of illness and pestilence
  • Curse of all the illnesses that came upon Egypt
  • Curse of the utmost judgment
  • Curse of death (Revelation 2:22,23)
  • Curse of slavery
  • Curse of senility
  • Curse of cancer
  • Curse of bondage
  • Schizophrenia
  • Curse of loss of children
  • Curse of disasters and evil
  • Curse of witchcraft
  • Curse of premature death
  • Curse of death and destruction
• I pray that You will change each one of these curses into blessings in the life of my family
• Ask God to forgive your ancestors and yourself for participating in evil rituals and for offering the blood of the innocent to idols
• Cancel all rituals that have been performed against you and your family in the name of Jesus. Seek God’s face and ask Him if there are any specific counter/prophetic actions He wants you to perform regarding these rituals
• Pronounce destruction over the altars of this spirit in your life, and declare that you are a temple of the living God and that He alone reigns as King in your life
• Ask the Lord to remove all leaven that caused you to walk under the control of this spirit, from your habits of thinking, your will, emotions and your body

Bind and cast the demons out

Bind the principality. Then bind the power. Suggested wording: “I bind you (name of power) ____________ in the name of Jesus Christ who came in the flesh.” If you have identified these sins as bloodline sins, address it as follows: “I bind you (name of power) ____________ in the name of Jesus Christ who came in the flesh in the fourth, third, second and in this generation. I speak death over your roots, branches and fruits in the life of ________ (name of the person being delivered).”
Command the demon to leave and continue to do so until it leaves. This is where you have to operate in Godly discernment. Ask the Lord to help you discern when the demon has left. From experience, we have learned that the following will help you in your warfare:

- Remind the demon that you are standing in the authority of Jesus Christ and that the demon is actually facing Christ and not you
- Remind the demon of the victory that we have through the blood of Christ that flowed on the cross
- Remind the demon that all his rights have been taken away
- Remind the demon that the person being delivered does not want it to reside in them anymore. You may even request the person going through deliverance to say the words out loud: (Name of power) ___________, I don’t want you inside of me. Leave me in the name of Jesus Christ who came in the flesh
- Quote scripture, as the Spirit of the Lord leads you. Examples of scriptures to quote:
  - Deuteronomy 32:30 “one chases a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight”
  - Matthew 16:19 “And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”
  - Revelation 12:11 “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”
  - Matthew 28:18 “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.”
  - Luke 10:19 “Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”
- Sing worship songs or praise the Lord
- Pray with understanding and pray in tongues
- Perform any prophetic actions that God gives you, for example:
  - Thrusting with the Sword of the Spirit
  - Walking around the person
  - Placing your hand on the person, as the Lord leads you. Always keeping in mind the dignity of the person and what is proper and acceptable
  - Removing yokes and false mantles or bondages, as the Lord leads you
- When the demon has left, thank the Lord and ask Him to command His angels to remove the demon and to take it to where the Lord requires it next
  - Bind and cast out only those demons in the following list that you identify as having assisted this demonic power in its work within the person being ministered to. (Following the same steps as used to cast out the power) Spirit of disobedience, spirit of deception, spirit of idolatry, spirit of manipulation, spirit of hatred and murder, spirit of greed, spirit of witchcraft, spirit of fear, spirit of control, submissive spirit, spirit of torment,
spirit of Infirmity, lying spirit, spirit of rejection, spirit of self rejection, fear of rejection

- Bind and cast out each individual spirit in the name of Jesus Christ who came in the flesh. In addition, bind and cast out all the demons listed as Common Accomplices
- Lastly, bind and cast the following principalities out: Apollyon, Abaddon, Belial

Restoration and healing

- Invite the Lord Jesus Christ to take His rightful place on the throne of your heart
- This is a good time to pray for infilling of the Holy Spirit. Ask the Lord to fill you with the Spirit of adoption into the Body of Christ
- This is also the right time to pray for any physical and emotional healing that is required. We use olive oil as a symbol of the Holy Spirit and we lay our hands on the sick and pray for healing in the name of Jesus Christ, who came in the flesh
- Identify the fruits of the Spirit that counteract the sins you were involved in and set your mind on growing in these areas
- Ask the Lord to help you to renew your mind and to bring you to a place of obedience where you will find scriptures and apply it when you find yourself under spiritual attack. Renew your mind by consciously deciding against sinning. Gather scriptures that counteract the particular sins that plagued you and quote them in times of temptation until the urge to fall into sin flees from you
- Revoke and take back all rights Satan has to control your life, will, mind, emotions and body and submit them to the Lord
- Counteract the fruits of the spirit of lust by praying and spending time in God’s presence, and by exercising self-control
- Find out who you are in Christ by identifying verses in the Bible. Memorize some of these verses and quote them when you find yourself under spiritual attack
- Quit looking at your own inabilities and failures and walk in God’s abilities and righteousness
- Expect spiritual opposition and that the spirits that left will try to return -- be alert and aware. Satan will try and attack you with self-centeredness and compromise. Counteract these attacks by consciously dying to your own will and submitting to what God wants in every area of your life
- Do not waste time under condemnation
- Pick up the sword of the Spirit and war against the powers, principalities and their fruits in your life!

Equipping and Aftercare

- Share with the person the keys to retain their deliverance, as shared in this book. In fact, it would be excellent for this person to have a copy of this book and to read it cover to cover. This will ensure that they obtain much needed knowledge and will not perish for a lack thereof (Hosea 4:6)
Please keep in mind, and share with the person, that they will be tired after deliverance. They might also continue experiencing minor manifestations for the next couple of days. This is normal and they need to press into the presence of the Lord and rest in Him during this time. This is why it is called warfare -- a spiritual battle has taken place and all those involved will feel the effects on their physical bodies.