MAINTAINING LIFE

IN THE SPIRIT WITH YOUR CHILD

When you or your child makes a mistake, sins, does something wrong to each other, or fails to good to them, there are seven things that Jesus has prepare for you to do to maintain your life in the Spirit

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Introduction

In this pamphlet, there are two major references to spiritual tools in two toolsets that you will be using. They are explained in greater detail in "The Right Source For Healing A Child" book. However, Jesus will help you get an adequate working knowledge in this Introduction, so you can use these spiritual tools for helping you handle issues in your relationship. The two toolsets are The Three Keys To All Of Christianity and The **Word Of Faith** process.

The Three Keys To All Of Christianity

Mat 7:7 (NIV) *Ask* and it will be given to you; *seek* and you will find; *knock* and the door will be opened to you. The three keys are: *Ask, seek,* and *knock*. The main key you will be using in this pamphlet will be the *ask key.* It is quite simply asking for everything rather than you trying to do spiritual things by human effort, human reasoning, and world training.

Rather than you *trying* love or be kind to your child with human love, you *ask* Jesus to help you demonstrate a supernatural love in the form of a supernatural kindness. This helps you live the Christian life by looking to Jesus for His power, rather than looking to yourself and your abilities. Your child raising takes on a God-sized improvement, because you changed sources for where you get your abilities, skills, talents, experiences, and power.

The Word Of Faith Procedure

Rom 10:8 (NIV) But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your *mouth* and in your *heart*," that is, the <u>word of faith</u> we are proclaiming. This is laying out a procedure that you and your child are to use for the rest of your Christian life. As a child of God, this is the way you obtain the things of God. And, it all started off with the way you got saved and become a child of God, a member of His family, and a citizen of His eternal Kingdom instantly.

Rom 10:17 (NIV) Consequently, <u>*faith* comes from hearing the message</u>, and the message is heard through the word (rhema: spoken word) of Christ. When someone presented the gospel message to you or your child, Jesus spoke faith into you, so you could use the **Word Of Faith** procedure for being saved. **Rom 10:9 (NIV) That if you confess with your *mouth*, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your *heart* that God raised Him from the dead, <u>you *will* be saved</u>.**

Jesus' faith, that went into you and your child's heart, as you were listening to the gospel message, empowered you to be able to **believe in your *heart* that God raised** Jesus **from the dead.** And, that gave you the power to be able to **confess with your *mouth*, "Jesus is Lord,"** The thing few new Christians are told is, **The word is near you; it is in your *mouth* and in your *heart,* that is, the <u>word of faith</u> we are proclaiming.**

So, in the presentation in this pamphlet, you will be helped to use these two toolsets to get Jesus' help with the difficult issues of your marriage. These are powerful tools and toolsets that you can use in any situation. But, in this case, they will just be presented for the purpose of Maintaining Life In The Spirit With Your Child.

Instructions For Maintaining Life In The Spirit

STEP ONE: Yield To Conviction

John 16:8 (NIV) When He (the Holy Spirit) comes, He will *convict* the world of *guilt* in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment. The Holy Spirit will give you and your child an indication called conviction. It is a good type of guilt that helps you know you messed up in your relationship with your child or your child with you. **2 Cor 7:10 (NIV) Godly sorrow brings *repentance* that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.**

STEP TWO: Identify

Rom 5:5 (NIV) And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, Whom He has given us. Go to your God's Love List and identify which aspect of God's love you have failed to yield to. If it is your child, help them go to their God's Love List. If you or your child doesn't have a God's Love List, then you can make one up from 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a.

God's Love List is: Love does not envy; it does not boast; it is not proud. It is not rude; it is not self-seeking; it is not easily angered; it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. Ask Jesus to help you identify which one you failed to yield to. Then ask Him to help you get it functioning in your life again.

STEP THREE: Mourn

Romans 7:15 (NIV) I do not understand what I do. For what I *want* to do I do not do, but what I *hate* I do. God's power-attitude, which you and your child have already prayed and asked for, is empowering you to *hate* it, when you mistreat each other.

If you or your child doesn't feel that hatred, then you will need to *quickly* go to Jesus and ask Him to reinstall it in your heart. You should feel a guilt, regret, sorrow, hatred and godly-guilt for what you have thought, felt, said, or done concerning your child or your child toward you.

STEP FOUR: Repent

1 John 1:9 (NIV) If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Tell Jesus that you are sorry for mistreating your child. Ask Him to forgive you for what you did. Then ask Him to empower you to never do it again. Thank Him for His forgiveness and power to resist things that hurt your child. Then ask Him to help you go make it right with your child. Then help your child do this with you.

STEP FIVE: Believe

Heb 12:2 (NIV) Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, Who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Ask Jesus to give you His faith, so you can apply the **Word Of Faith** procedure. Keep asking Jesus for His faith, so you can believe. Keep asking until you experience Hebrews 11:1. Which *is* your power to *believe.* Then teach your child how to do this.

STEP SIX: Confess

Heb 11:1 (NIV) Now faith is being *sure* of what we hope for and *certain* of what we do not see. Once you are **sure** and **certain** that the aspect of God's love, that you failed to yield to, is back in a functioning condition, then confess with your mouth that Jesus has empowered you to yield to that love characteristic. Let your ears hear this statement from your mouth, so they can participate in the confession of faith. Help your child make this confession from their heart.

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STEP SEVEN: Be Thankful

Thank Jesus for everything He does for you. Be looking for every breakthrough, blessing, miracle, and answer to prayer. Identify each one of them as being from Jesus. Then tell Him how much you appreciate each one of them. Be thankful for all of them. Teach your child how to be looking for and expressing thanks for these things.

Steps To Maintaining Life In The Spirit

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Jesus, help me or my child remember all those thoughts, feelings, words, and deeds that we abused each other with. Show me all of those love aspects that apply to what I thought, felt, said, and did. Let them be the ones that will heal me from ever doing those things again. Then help me know how to teach my child this procedure.

Jesus, which of these characteristics, in God's Love List, are the ones I or my child failed to yield to? Help us identify them, then help us get them functioning in our life again. Love does not envy; it does not boast; it is not proud. It is not rude; it is not self-seeking; it is not easily angered; it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

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