

GENERATIONAL TRANSFER

Text: *You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations, of those who love me and keep my commandments.* Exodus 20:5,6

Introduction: God wants us to see the generational link - both positively and negatively.

THREE SOURCES OF GENERATIONAL TRANSFER

1. Original Sin Involves Generational Transfer

- One man's disobedience caused sin to be transferred generationally.

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way, death came to all men, because all sinned. Romans 5:12

Through one man's disobedience many were made sinners. Romans 5:19

- One man's obedience brought redeeming grace.

For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ overflow to the many! Romans 5:15

2. Parent's Personal Influence

- Abraham gave all that he had to Isaac. (Genesis 26:5)

3. Generational Transfer of Sin Can Come from Demonized Ancestors

- Children can be demonized. (Mark 9:14-29)
- The redeeming power of Jesus is sufficient to set the believer completely free from all generational consequences of sin.

COMING FREE

- Stop Blaming Your Problems on Your Parents

Like our ancestors we have sinned; we have done wrong; we have acted wickedly. Psalm 106:6

- Come to terms with the obvious defeats that were visible in our parents' and grandparents' lives.
- Renounce generational or ancestral claim on the basis of Christ's atoning blood