

HEALING THE LAND BY BREAKING ITS CURSES

- Man was made a steward of the land. Gen 2:15-17
- The land is penalized for the sins of its inhabitants. Lev 18:24-25
- Causes for defiling the land:
 - 1. Idolatry Jer 3:9
 - 2. Sexual immorality Lev 18:24-25
 - 3. Shedding innocent blood Num 35:33-34
 - 4. Broken covenants Isa 24:5-6

Breaking the Curses through Prayer

1. Repent for the sins of our forefathers (Generations are responsible to God vertically).
EX 20:5 God visits iniquity to the 4th generation.
 - a. Confess specific sin
 - b. Repentance and Renunciation
 - Representatives of the area must repent and renounce.
 - Representatives of perpetrators repent, and representatives of victims give forgiveness.
 - c. Command the curse to be broken, and cast out the demons from the land. Mk 16:17; 5:10
Example: Opathe in Zululand, South Africa (near Mtonjaneni)

2. Share Communion with the land to redeem it; to break its defilement.
 - a. After confession, repentance, and renunciation as above, share communion with the land.
 - Eat half the bread and throw half onto the ground.
 - Drink half the juice (or wine) and pour half onto the ground.
 - b. Rationale
 1. Jesus' body was given and his blood was shed for Man's sins. Lk 22:19-20
 2. Bread and juice represent Jesus' body and blood. 1 Cor 11:24-25
 3. The creation is waiting to be delivered from the bondage of corruption by the hand of the *huios* (mature) sons of God, those led by the Holy Spirit. Rom 8:19-21
 - c. Command the curse to be broken, and cast out the demons from the land. Rom 8:14
Mk 16:17; 5:10
Example: The community of Paea on Tahiti

3. Consecrate the land and yourself on the land to fulfill God's purpose.
 - a. Anoint the land with oil in order to consecrate it. Ex 29:7-9
 - b. Alternatively, anoint the land with salt. 2 Ki 2:19-22