

# *Demonic Attack of Spouse*

When addicts confess their past they are often freed. However, it is common for spouses to have the inverse affect and to begin feeling tormented by similar spirits that afflicted the addict. The person who has been hurt by the lies is left with a gaping wound and trauma that the demons will try to take advantage of. This is where the spouse will experience beliefs/demonic attacks of "I am unlovable", "it's my fault", etc. Humans by nature are self preserving. It's not in our nature to attack ourselves, and these beliefs are demonic attacks trying to get a hold of us and find an in into our lives. A lot of spouses will start to experience similar temptations or behaviors their husband always had after he shares and are disturbed by their behaviors. They behave in ways they never have before. This is because they are under spiritual attack. Fasting and prayer is very important and rebuking all negative beliefs and demonic attacks.

APPLICATION: This is helpful to share with Christian clients before or during disclosure for the addict and spouse to be aware of what they may be dealing with. The best way to prepare for these types of experiences is to pray and fast ahead of time, during, and even after disclosure.