

Complex Inquirers Continued

An Inquirer May Develop Complexities - A Detrimental Trifecta of Discouragement, Deception and Depression = Comorbid Stronghold

1. **Discouragement** is a feeling of “a loss of confidence or enthusiasm, lost hope or confidence.

Discouragement Arsenal

“These things I have spoken to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation, but take courage, I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

“Why am I discouraged, why is my heart so sad? I will put my hope in God! I will praise Him again – my savior and my God!” Psalm 42:5 (NLT)

2. **Deception** is believing a lie about myself, a person, a situation, traumatic event or past hurt.

Deception Arsenal

“For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.” 2 Corinthians 10: 3-5

3. **Clinical Depression** is an Umbrella for Sub-types of Depression.

Depression Arsenal

“Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness .I say to myself, “The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.” The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him, it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. Lamentations 3:22-26

How Do We Help Inquirers Deconstruct a Three-fold Stronghold? Three Steps:

1. Help the complex inquirer invite God to **reveal to areas of deception.**

Teach them to pray a simple prayer – “Dear Lord, please show me any area where I am being deceived. I declare James 4:6,7 “Submit yourselves to God, resist the devil, and He will flee. I choose to submit – yield to the Father, and when I resist the devil, he has to run.”

2. Show them how to **believe God’s Word** and not their feelings.

“An evil man (woman) is held captive by his own sins, they are ropes that catch and hold him. He (she) will die for lack of self-control; he(she) will be lost because of his great foolishness.” Proverbs 5:22-23

Teach them to pray, “Dear Lord, show me if there is any way or anywhere, I am being deceived.”



3. Encourage them to **face their past.**

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”
John 10:10

Satanic Ritual Involvement (SRA) All satanic renunciation is an antithesis of true Christianity

- Satanic Ritual Involvement (SRA)
- Multiple Personality Disorder (MPD)
- Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID)

Severe defense mechanisms that allow SRA victims to develop ‘normally’

Three Errors

#1 Trying to cast out a personality or asking the victim to tell it to go away.

#2 Trying to integrate a demon into a personality.

#3 Treating everything that you hear as gospel fact.

Our role as encouragers is to set the captive free. It will take work.

Satanic Ritual Involvement (SRA) **Believe what victims tell you.**

Ask them to pray “Dear Lord please reveal the source of my memories.” “For there is one God and one mediator also between God and men the man Christ Jesus.” 1 Timothy 2:5

Suspect Satanic Roots?

“I’d like to ask you to work through the satanic renunciations even though we don’t know for sure whether you were involved or whether any of these things actually happened. The process of renouncing a lie that has never been believed or an experience that it has never happened will not do harm. We are not suggesting that it has happened to you, we are just checking to see if anything bad has happened to you. Plus, you are not only renouncing the counterfeit you are announcing the truth about your relationship with Christ.”

Trust God in the Process

When you or an inquirer renounce a lie or any counterfeit experience, the lie needs to be replaced and affirmed with the truth of God’s Word.

We are Free Indeed!

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