# **Tattoos the Open Door**

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Lev 19:28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:28 tells us what God says about receiving a tattoo. I would like to share with you what is happening in the realm of the spirit when a person receives a tattoo. Especially since today people are marking and mutilating themselves extensively.

First we must understand, when we have truly accepted Jesus as our Lord and Savior God places His mark upon us. In the spiritual realm this can be seen and sometimes in the natural.

Gen 4:15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

The Lord marked Cain so that everyone would know He was his and was not to be touched, though Cain was exiled. Obviously, others had to be able to see this mark.

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How many people do you know have put names or pictures of loved ones on their skin? Here God is telling us specifically not to do this. There is always a much deeper reason why God gives us such a command. Think spiritually. Not naturally. "God is a Spirit, they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth." John 4:23 It stands to reason then that God gives us commands that will effect us in the spirit first before they effect us in the natural realm.

**2Co 4:18** While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen *are* temporal; but the things which are not seen *are* eternal.

God has marked us once we are His for service in His Kingdom.

Rev\_14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

## Whose mark you bear is to whom you belong.

When we tattoo and mutilate our body something much greater is going on in the spirit realm. We are saying that we are being bound and becoming a slave to whose mark we wear. Cattlemen brand their steers for others to know they have ownership. Slaves were also marked, and are still being marked, by their owners. Prostitutes have been tattooed by their pimps. Often military people get tattooed with the symbol of their military. In all these ways ownership of our lives have been given to whose mark we bear. The difference is that now, many people don't know they are enslaved but they are!



God marks His people and Satan marks his.

Slave owners would mark their slaves with tattoos, branding, earrings or piercings in the nose.

### **Slave Punishment - Branding or Tattoos**

The slave punishment for theft was to be branded on the forehead with the letters "FUR", from the Latin word for thief which was "fure". Tattooing was sometimes used instead of branding as a means of permanently marking a slave with the sign of his crime. New slave recruits to gladiator schools had Roman tattoos (stigma, from where the English word stigmatised derives) applied as an identifying mark on the face, legs and hands. <a href="http://www.tribunesandtriumphs.org/roman-life/slave-punishment.html">http://www.tribunesandtriumphs.org/roman-life/slave-punishment.html</a>

**Human branding** or stigmatizing is the process in which a mark, usually a symbol or ornamental pattern, is burned into the skin of a living person, with the intention that the resulting scar makes it permanent. This is performed using a hot or <u>very cold branding iron</u>. It therefore uses the physical techniques of <u>livestock branding</u> on a human, either with consent as a form of <u>body modification</u>; or under coercion, as a <u>punishment</u> or to identify an <u>enslaved</u> or otherwise oppressed person. It may also be practiced as a "rite of passage", e.g. within a tribe, or to signify membership of or acceptance into an organization. Wikipedia

God, in Lev 19:28, tells His people not to cut your flesh or tattoo yourself. Again, God has sealed His servants. He is sealing them in the "spirit" realm.

Rev 7:3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed (mark of GOD) the servants of our God in their foreheads

Joh\_6:27 Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed (God's mark).

**Eph 4:30** And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed (mark of God) unto the day of redemption.

Now that I have given you biblical and historical examples of tattoos, brandings, cuttings and body

modifications; let me explain to you what is taking place in the spirit world when this is done.

When you place a physical mark on your body several things happen. One, you have disobeyed God's word. Two, you have defiled your body. Three, you have now become enslaved. Four, you have opened a spiritual door which will allow demonic entities entrance into your body and soul. Five, you are now emitting signals in the spiritual realm which will attract other demons to you; (IE, you usually desire to get more tattoos); which in turn opens you up to more demonic activity. They can also cause you to have nightmares, unnatural desires to do wrong things, desires to hurt people and many more things. The spirits that come into you with the tattoos will influence you. They can also bring in fear. Think about, did any changes occur in you since the time you received your first tattoo or piercing?

There has been a very deceptive movement of Christians getting tattoos, THIS IS NOT GOD. GOD does not go against His word. I don't care if you put a cross on you or what the symbol is. Don't do it.

God calls us His bond-servants. He marks us with HIS seal. If we mark ourselves with something else then we declare to the spirit realm we are not His.

I know there has been some prominent ministers that have received tattoos AFTER they were saved. I don't care who they are, don't you follow them. God calls them Blind guides. You alone will give an account for your walk with God. You won't be able to stand before God and say, "So and so did it. Or so and so said it was O.K." God will say to you, "What did I say?"

I've told you what the Lord says about tattoos. Now for those of you who received tattoos or marks on your body before you were saved or in ignorance you can REPENT but that is not enough. Let me explain. Repentance deals with the sin of disobedience. You've acknowledge what you did was contrary to what God says about it. The blood of Jesus forgives and cleanses you of the sin. However, there is still this spiritual mark emanating into the spirit realm. This needs to be shut down.

#### **CLOSE THE DOOR**

Previously I said that these spiritual marking will draw other demons to you. They gain entrance through your flesh. The place where you received the tattoo or mutilation becomes a door or portal entrance into you by demonic agents. There is quite a lot I could say on this topic but I want to focus on getting these doors shut. It's not hard but it must be done. Many people have open doors and suffer sickness, torment, affliction, demonic activity in their homes, demonic activity in their sleep, lack and many other things; all because these doors are wide open to the enemy to come in. (Brief side note: If you were also involved in occult activities using a third eye; right in the middle of your forehead; this too must be closed.)

Pray this prayer to close the demonic doors opened by tattoos and mutilations.

#### **Prayer:**

Father God, I recognize now in your word in Leviticus 19:28 that I was commanded not to receive tattoos or marks on my body. I repent and ask for forgiveness for having sinned against you and your word. Please wash me afresh with the blood of Jesus.

Now, in the name of Jesus, I break agreements with these tattoos, their symbolism in my life and their enslavement of me. I shut the demonic portal attached to each tattoo on my body, in the Name of

Jesus. I seal them shut by the blood of Jesus never to be opened again. I also shut all demonic doors or access to my body I close the third eye or other occultic related doors/ portals or access points and I sever all external remote links to my body, mind and soul.

Any demonic power that has gained access to my body through tattoos or mutilations I revoke your power and your ability to influence my life in Jesus name! Be removed and cast into the sea! In Jesus Mighty Name. Blood of Jesus flush all demonic residue from my body, cleanse me and purify me. In Jesus name. Amen.

Tell your friends who have tattoos to "shut the door" to the demonic activity in their lives. Lay hands on the tattoos and command them to be closed.

Go and sin no more. Meaning, don't get anymore tattoos! God's Grace is not available for mis-use. He calls us to obedience.

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