

# FAMILY OF ORIGIN - PART IV

The Family Scapegoat - Mark 5:1-20  
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The four kids of dysfunction:

Hero - super kid, the little parent  
Scapegoat - troublemaker  
Loner - the quiet one who flies under the radar  
Mascot - family or class clown

**A** - What the scapegoat looks like on the outside:

- Hostility, defiance, withdrawn, troublemaker.
- Gets negative attention.

**B** - What the scapegoat feels on the inside:

- Hurt, abandonment, anger, rejection.
- Feels totally inadequate.
- Low self-worth.
- Doesn't fit in. Black sheep.
- I am unlovable.

**C** - What the scapegoat means to the family:

- They express hurt and anger for the family.
- They are the kid who everyone wishes was better.
- They unify the family around solving a problem.
- They become the blame or scapegoat for the family's drama.

**D** - As an adult without help:

- Alcoholic, addict, legal and/or criminal trouble

**E** - What the scapegoat can become:

- Has courage and is good under pressure.
- Can help others and takes risks.
- Empathetic.

1. Believe what God believes about you.

Proverbs 23:7 - "As a man thinks, so is he."

2. Seek out and/or develop God-honoring environments.

3. Exchange bad habits with good habits.

## NOTES:

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**MON** - Ezekiel 9-12  
**TUES** - Ezekiel 13-15  
**WED** - Ezekiel 16-17

**THU** - Ezekiel 18-20  
**FRI** - Ezekiel 21-22  
**SAT** - Ezekiel 23-24  
**SUN** - Ezekiel 25-27

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