

INFECTED

**How to Stop the Global Spread
of Rage, Deception and Insanity**

Karen Hardin



Karen has great insight into the spiritual climate of our nation and shares it in an engaging and convincing way. Her ability to see the bigger picture with a spiritual lens is a gift. Karen's massive library of writings have blessed millions around the globe for years. This book will greatly add to this library; it is chock full of that valuable wisdom.

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Karen Hardin is not afraid to confront controversial issues or challenge the mainstream narrative. In her book, *Infected*, Karen uncovers the deceptive tactics of the enemy playing out on the national scene to reveal the deeper spiritual conditions of the heart.

In reading this book, you will not only be given effective spiritual tools for warfare, you will be given practical application of these principles to stop the spread of toxic lies and deadly deception that are eating our nation alive. The eye-opening treatment Karen provides may be shocking to some, but will bring life and health to those with ears to hear and hearts ready to respond.

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Karen Hardin has written a marvelous book, or more correctly, a road map to help us navigate through these infectious times. I have often mused over why this culture had such an obsession with zombies until recent days. Karen describes with pinpoint clarity the real infection running rampant in our world, an infection that results in zombie-like symptoms—anger, rage, insanity, and a murderous spirit. Now more than ever we must heed Proverbs 4:23: “Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.” Karen shows us how.

**Craig Walker — Lead pastor
Upward Church and author of
*Catch and Born for the Extraordinary***

I have known Karen for many years and appreciate her heart for God, her commitment to solid doctrinal teaching, her compassion towards people and her courage and character to speak and demonstrate truth when it may not be convenient or politically correct.

The truths brought forward and issues confronted in this book are a wake-up call to the days and times in which we live and the need for boldness and clarity to see and respond with spiritual insight and boldness in order for our voices and actions to break the darkness that is trying to overwhelm this present generation and bring a dullness to our senses and apathy in our attitudes.

We have watched churches grow in size, but shrink in their influence in our cities and states. No longer can we be

content with our services and not realize we need to fight for our nation.

**Paul Chase — Founder, president and senior pastor
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As a fellow writer, I have worked closely with Karen Hardin for several years. While I have read many things she has written, this book portrays a deeper level of writing excellence. It is insightful, revelatory, and anointed. I could not put it down. *Infected* is a must read for every Christian.

**Kim Potter — President
A New Thing Ministries**

Infected engages the reader from the start! Karen Hardin makes the complicated uncomplicated, tracing the link from the national chaos to the brokenness and depravity of every human heart. But be encouraged, she shares the remedy, the “vaccine” for us all.

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One person really can change the world. The reason the world was sequestered into home sheltering this first half of 2020 was because of the infectious nature of one individual. That one who touches one who in turn touches another causes a chain reaction that can literally infect the world.

Jesus demonstrated the power of one every time He stopped for the one. Jesus understood that one person plus God is a majority in any situation. You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world. You are a city on a hill that cannot be hidden. You are the yeast of the kingdom of God. You are those who have turned the world upside down, and you do it every time that you stop for the one.

— Dan McCollam, Best-selling author
and Founder of Prophetic Company Global

DEDICATION

To the One who will never self-distance from us. He will be with us no matter where we are, what we are doing and no matter how bad it looks.

He is in our midst and is performing a turnaround.

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INTRODUCTION

It shouldn't have surprised me. When I finally sat down to begin to write this book, I was inundated with issues that came out of the blue which were opportunities to take offense. In fact, I told a friend that in a ten-day period while writing, I had more opportunities for offense than the previous two years combined. It was the virus working to gain a foothold.

Offense is the second step of a deadly spiritual progression that can be seen over and over again in history. That same spiritual progression is taking place in our world today. And once we allow offense to take hold of us, it always leads us into deception. Always.

In fact, it is all around us. And the problem is those infected don't even realize it.

If you are reading this book, you are looking for insight. But I can tell you that there will be a significant number of readers who will take offense at this teaching and close it before finishing the book. I encourage you to push away the opportunity to be offended which opens the door to deception. Are you willing to look at this spiritual virus to see how it operates, and even more importantly, to find out if you are infected?

INFECTED

We all have been at one time or another. And the only way to walk free in this hour is to remove it from our lives. Let me show you how.

Chapter 1



INFECTED

Although the world has been rocked by the COVID-19 virus, it pales compared to the infection rate of a greater virus running rampant, infecting millions, and which has been completely ignored. If left untreated and allowed to run its course, it ends in insanity. And the infected are everywhere. It is seen clearly as we reflect back over instances of violence taking place in our nation over recent months.

“These people had evil in their eyes as they surrounded us. They would stop at nothing,” Senator Rand Paul stated after he and his wife were surrounded by an angry mob on the streets of Washington, D.C.

Rand's wife, Kelley, described the terrifying situation even more vividly in a piece she wrote for the *Washington Examiner*:

“The mob swarmed me and my husband in a tight circle, screaming expletives, threats, and shouting, ‘Say her name,’ (referring to Breonna Taylor). We rushed up to two police officers, and I believe that is the only thing that kept us from being knocked to the ground. Even pressed against the officers, we were greatly outnumbered.

“As the mob grew and became more threatening, we literally could not move, and neither could the two officers for several minutes. The rioters were inches from us, screaming in our faces.

“That was the worst part. At first, I attempted to meet the eyes of one of the protesters and tried to explain that Rand authored the Justice for Breonna Taylor Act, but it seemed to just infuriate them more, as they called me a ‘bitch’ and ‘racist wh---’ alongside an endless torrent of ‘f--- you.’

“Mobs are terrifying. They looked at us with no humanity—just a vicious and righteous zeal. After that, I just kept my eyes down and prayed. All I could think of was the driver who was pulled from his car, viciously kicked in the head and left lying in his own blood in

Portland, Oregon, last week. . . .”²

The Rand’s are certainly not the only ones who have felt their lives were threatened as they walked the streets of America.

This summer a twenty-four-year-old man was brutally attacked outside a convenience store in Texas by five men who followed him out of the store. The man was waiting in line to buy groceries when a group of men cut in front of him.



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“I looked over and said, ‘There’s a line for a reason,’” he explained. Evidently that was enough to provoke their rage as they began to mock his hair and clothes.

As soon as he exited the store, he was attacked.³

In August, Black Lives Matter protesters confronted and harassed people eating outside at restaurants in Washington, D.C. as they shouted, “White silence is violence!” and screamed in their faces.

One video showed protesters demanding a woman raise her fist to show her solidarity for the BLM cause. “I felt I was under attack,” the woman told *Washington Post* reporter Fredrick Kunkle. When she did not comply with their demand, they screamed in her face, without masks, to intimidate her into submission. The irony is the woman *did* support Black Lives Matter, but felt she should not be forced into an inauthentic action.⁴

How many times a day have you heard a comment, seen a news clip or engaged in a conversation and thought, “Are those people insane?” Rage, violence and insanity are all around us. The questions are, Where does it come from, and how did it start?

The world has turned topsy-turvy as we look for answers to the COVID-19 pandemic and how to stem the infection rate. It has taken our eyes off a more deadly spiritual virus whose infection rate is far greater. I look around and see its results everywhere. But unlike COVID-19, there doesn't seem to be any awareness of this disease or how to stem the tide. As a result, it has gone unchecked and wrecked-havoc. It is the true pandemic, and it is deadly.

This spiritual virus, like any disease, has a progression. If left untreated, it will run its course of destruction in the life of its host. The final stage is insanity; and it

can be seen all around us, its victims raging and wild-eyed like the attackers in the previous stories.

We see it on the news, on social media, and at the office where conversations escalate exponentially into an enraged response. Think back to your own experience where you have unknowingly encountered this virus. Where there has been a disproportionately angry or emotional response to a situation, and the palatable rage feels like a slap across the face. Caught off guard, we wonder what to do stunned at what just happened probably much like the Paul family or the patrons in the restaurant who were confronted simply for being there. When we encounter such rage, no attempt to assuage it will suffice because the issue is not a person, but a spiritual root.



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Unfortunately, the problem in those interactions is you have also now been exposed! What you do next determines infection.

INFECTION

(Have you been infected? Take the virus test at the back of the book to find out.)

Where does infection begin? There are multiple points of entry. It can begin with an attitude, offense, or jealousy over someone or something. It can occur when we experience unjust outbursts or attacks, which can plant a seed of offense in the soil of our hearts. Perhaps it is the certainty of being right on an issue which can then spread to pride, which opens the door to deception. It would surprise you how easily we can be infected without recognizing it.



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THE PROGRESSION

What is the progression of this virus? It can be seen over and over both past and present. It has continued from one generation to another because the needed “vaccine” is often overlooked or rejected.

We can easily see the symptoms—offense, rage, murderous intent to name a few. But they are simply indicators of the deeper problem infecting the heart.

This spiritual virus is far more deadly than COVID-19 or Ebola. Its death rate, unless the cycle is stopped, is 100 percent. The tragedy is many are infected and don't even realize it. Recognizing infection is critical in obtaining the cure. But that can be difficult.

This is how I discovered the existence of this spiritual virus.

Several years ago, I was in a business relationship with four individuals. At the time I would have called them close friends. Until one day, all four relationships started to head south at a dramatic rate—all at the exact same time—for reasons that didn't make sense. It was nothing short of bizarre. It was like someone flipped a switch and crazy took over. The outrage I encountered was highly disproportionate to any issue on the table. Phone calls turned into verbal lashings and accusations. Business contracts were broken. I called each one to have a conversation and uncover the root behind the sudden shift. Even that triggered anger and justification of their actions. All were Christians. One of the individuals was president of a ministry and responded, "I train people how to avoid anger and conflict. I'm *not* angry and I *don't*

need to talk to you,” she insisted when I called to suggest we go for coffee and discuss the contention between us. Rather than having a conversation to discuss the issue, she doubled down completely convinced she was acting in a “godly” manner.

The harder I worked to see these relationships repaired, the deeper the damage as anger turned to rage. But it didn't stop there. Eventually it turned to murderous intent to destroy my business, if not me. I sought counsel and advice from numerous sources to gain insight into the bizarre behaviors that had erupted. But all to no avail. No one had any concrete insights after I explained the situations I was encountering. I spent hours in prayer seeking answers and healing for my wounded heart and lost relationships. It was in that wilderness setting that the Holy Spirit revealed to me the ancient virus and its deadly progression. It has existed from the beginning of time and is rampant still today. Its effects can be seen across the globe.



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This is how it starts.