



Antidotes for Healing the Human Body



Teeth

Spiritual Correspondence of the Teeth

The teeth correspond to principles of truth, because they are a part of the bone structure of our mouth. This is because the truth is the foundation for our spiritual house or body, just as the bones are the foundation for our natural body. According to John Worcester in *Physiological Correspondences*, “People in the other life who lack spiritual intelligence and charity, by not having made the truth useful in their lives, are correspondential to the bones.”ⁱ There is no life or use in the bones without the Spirit of God who inspires us to express truth wisely.

Spiritual Causes and Antidotes for Broken (Decayed) Teeth

When we are not expressing the truth wisely, we will have problems with our teeth. The scriptures say that when we are unreliable to God in a time of need, we are like a broken tooth:

“Confidence in an unfaithful man
in time of trouble is like a broken tooth,
and a foot out of joint.”ⁱⁱ

When our teeth are broken, it conveys an unstable lifestyle in expressing wisdom and love in times of need. It can also mean negligence in confessing faults or speaking up for what is true and good.

When we have an issue with grinding teeth, we are overstressed and have been vocalizing feelings of anger that overrides principle and balance in life. Taking a step back from anxiety helps us to re-evaluate our expressions and learn how to better vocalize what is true and good. Developing a habit to express the truth with love strengthens the energy fields to the teeth and restores healing energies to them.

ⁱJohn Worcester. *Physiological Correspondences*. Bryn Athyn, PA: Swedenborg Scientific Association, 1987, 223. Used with permission.

ⁱⁱProverbs 25:19.