

“WORD OF LIFE”

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IN HIS DEATH

10 - **Becoming a Curse** on Our Behalf and **Redeeming** Us out of the **Curse of the Law**

✚ GOD BREATHED (2 Tim 3:16):

- Gal 3:13 - “Christ has **redeemed us** out of the **curse of the law**, having become **a curse on our behalf**; because it is written, “Cursed is everyone hanging on a tree”;
- Gen. 3:17 - “... **Cursed** is the ground because of you; In toil will you eat of it All the days of your life.”
- Rom. 5:12 - Therefore just as **through one man sin** entered into the world, and **through sin**, death; and **thus death passed on to all men** because **all have sinned**—
- Rom. 5:13 - For **until the law** sin was in the world, but **sin is not charged** to one’s account **when there is no law**.

✚ THE EXCELLENCY OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF CHRIST (Phil. 3:8):

- The **origin** of the **curse** is man’s sin (Gen. 3:17; Rom. 5:12).
The curse of the law issued from the sin of man.
- As descendants of Adam, all sinners are **under the curse**.
 - In **Romans 5** we see that Adam **brought us all under the curse**
 - **After Adam’s sin**, the earth **brought forth thorns**.
 - The **sign** of the curse is **thorns**.
 - Christ’s **wearing a crown of thorns indicates** that He took our **curse on the cross** (John 19:2, 5).
- The curse is **carried out** through the law (Rom. 5:13).
The curse was not made official until the law was given.
- Now the **law declares** that all the fallen descendants of Adam are under the curse.
 - The curse is **related** to the **law of God**.
 - It is the **demand** of the righteous God upon sinners.
 - This means that the law **administers** the curse.
 - The law **condemns us** and **makes the curse** official.
- Christ **work on the cross**
Christ through His crucifixion has redeemed us out of the curse of the law.
- He became a **curse on our behalf** and **redeemed us out of the curse of the law** (Gal. 3:13)
 - As our **Substitute** on the cross, He **bore the curse for us and also became a curse for us**.
 - **When** Christ took away our sin on the cross, **He redeemed us out of the curse**.
 - Because the problem of sin has been solved, the problem of the curse has been solved as well.

✚ SPEAK TO THE PEOPLE ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LIFE (Act 5:20):

- ✚ The curse that came in through Adam’s fall **has been dealt with** by Christ’s **redemption**.
- ✚ On the cross, Christ **accomplished** the great work of **bringing us out** from the curse of the law, working to **bear our sins** and to **remove the curse**.
- ✚ God forsook Christ **economically** and **considered Him a curse**; because **Christ bore our sins** and **was cursed in our place**, the **demand of the law** was **fulfilled**, and He could **redeem us from the curse of the law**.