

AM Sermon Notes

Text: *Genesis 3:14-19*

Title: *The Verses With the Curses!*

Central Truth: The entire earth is still presently suffering due to Adam's sin against God.

I. vv. 14-15: The Curse of War (Two-fold)

v. 14: 1. **Snake** (physically) The body of the snake was cursed because it was used as an instrument for Satan's dirty work.

v. 15: 2. **Satan** (spiritually) This verse contains the first Messianic prophecy in the Bible. It is the first promise that God would send a savior. Theologians call it the "Protoevangelium" - Latin for the first Gospel! **Enmity, hostility** - This word means to hate, to be an enemy. The hostility between the two was actually a great blessing from God! Ultimately this prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus' death and resurrection (*c.f. Hebrews 2:14*).

II. v. 16: The Curse in Wedding (Two-fold)

v. 16a 1. Great pain in childbirth: _____

v. 16b: 2. Great struggles in marriage: _____

c.f. 1st Corinthians 11:8-12; 1st Timothy 2: 12-15; Ephesians 5:21-33

III. vv. 17-19: The Curse in Work (Two-fold)

v. 17-19a: 1. **Drudgery** - Work itself was not Adam's punishment (*c.f. Genesis 2:15*). God intends for us to work. Instead of finding joy, fulfillment and being productive all the time, Adam's work would become wearisome and backbreaking.

v. 19b: 2. **Death** - Adam would return to the **ground** (Hebrew-adamah). Not only would Adam die physically but the very moment he sinned against God, he died **spiritually!** This Adamic curse has been passed down to all the human race. This is why we must be saved or born again!

Applications:
