



# He Would Die At 55

Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us:for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree. That the Arriver RANDALL & RANDALL GRUER We with him for an hour blessing of Abraham might

come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. (Galatians 3:13-14)

These scriptures tell us about Jesus Christ redeeming the Christian from the curse of the law, and the blessings that would be available to Christians through Him. The Spirit of God has been dealing with me about these verses for a few years now. It seems there has been confusion. misunderstanding, and a lack of knowledge of the entire counsel of God's Word in this area.

Some believe there is no such thing as being under a curse (oppression of Satan) today. Others believe that we all live under a curse and we just endure until the end. The Biblical balance is, the curse exists on the earth today, but those who receive Jesus Christ, and obey His Word, are redeemed from, or will not be affected by the curse.

Our Heavenly Father sent Jesus Christ to bring blessings to our lives. We partake of them by accepting and acting on what He did for us.

In February 1959 in El Paso, Texas, the Lord appeared to Kenneth Erwin Hagin. Jesus talked

from some things the Lord revealed to him during that time.

The Lord explained to him, in this vision, that He permits people to do things that aren't expressly His will. For example, He said, "It wasn't My will that Israel have a king, and I told them so. But they wanted to be like other nations." (They kept clamoring for a king, so God permitted them to have a king.)

"Some time ago when you preached to a convention of ministers, you stated that your ministry was that of a teacher and a prophet. You got into trouble because you reversed the order of your ministry, putting your teaching ministry first and your prophetic ministry second. When you did that, you got out of My perfect will and into My permissive will, thus opening the door for the devil to attack you. (That is how we all open ourselves up to the curse/oppression/attacks.)

You might ask why, if I knew you were going to fall and hurt your arm, I didn't prevent it. I could have, of course, but I didn't want to.

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For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. - Romans 8:14

And instead of being angry with Me for not preventing it, you should be glad I allowed it to happen. If I hadn't permitted Satan to do this to arrest your attention, you would not have lived past the age of 55."

# **Redeemed From The Curse**

Jesus Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law but not from the curse of disobedience. If we disobey the Lord, we open ourselves up to satanic oppression, problems, sickness and attacks. Either this is true, or Dad Hagin told a bald face lie about what Jesus said to him. Dad Hagin would have not lived past the age of 55 because of his disobedience. RHEMA would have never been founded (that didn't occur until he was 57) and the church world would have been hindered.

I personally believe our spiritual growth and calling determines how quickly our disobedience opens our lives up to the curse or satanic oppression. Some people (spiritually immature) seem to get away with sin and disobedience for a very, very long time. Others (more mature Christians) face trying circumstances, satanic oppression and even premature death, seemingly, quicker. The more you know, and the greater your calling, the greater the demand is for obeying the Lord Jesus Christ and being led by His Spirit. Jesus told Dad Hagin that many ministers live and die and never enter the correct ministry He has for them. He said that is why many ministers die prematurely.

## **Principles Of Deuteronomy 28**

And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. (Deut. 28:2)

But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee. (Deut. 28:15)

I believe the principles that are found in Deuteronomy were established by our Heavenly Father and they are true in all generations. Dad Hagin wrote a book about them. I have preached, and heard others minister on the blessings of this great chapter. We need to preach that, but we also need to preach about the rest of the chapter. It is connected to the New Testament, and its teachings.

## **Blessings and Curses**

There are 21 blessings listed in Deuteronomy 28:1-14, for obeying God. There are 112 curses listed in Deuteronomy 28:15-68, for disobeying The Lord God.

CURSE DEFINED: I want to simply define the word curse as unanswered prayers, oppression from Satan, bad things occurring, sorrow, sickness, poverty or lack, famine, incompetent leadership in nations, attacks from foreign nations, losing wars, families torn apart, parents abandoning their babies, lawlessness, living in dread and fear and other bad things.

#### The Old Testament Law

I want to make clear, as you gasp for breath, that I am not saying we live under the Old Testament Law or keep it in order to be saved. By God's grace we are born again by accepting Jesus Christ as our Lord, which is salvation.

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves:it is the gift of God. (Ephesians 2:8)

This verse simply tells us that salvation is a gift from God to us. The human race didn't think it up, God did. We cannot save ourselves. This verse clearly tells us we are saved by grace through faith. This is where man's ideas muddy the spiritual water, scripture is left out, and man's opinions lead us toward the curse. Curse is defined on page three.

Some ministers and Christians say, we just say it and all the blessings, of God, will fall on us. Others say, we have to be members of a certain church, be water baptized, meet exact regulations, etc. to be saved. The Biblical balance is we confess it, and live what we confess in order to avoid the curse, not to be saved.

I can say I am a Christian over and over but if I go rob somebody I will go to jail. I tried it as a sinner and it works! I went to prison about ten years because I broke the law. Oh, you will too, regardless of what you say. Thank you. No one in their right mind disagrees with that because we do not live in a lawless society. God's Kingdom is not a lawless society either. If you believe it is, you are not in the right mindset of His Kingdom. God set natural laws in motion. If you climb a tree and jump out, you will fall and hit the ground. It is the law of gravity and it works the same way every time. If you're high enough, it will hurt when you hit the ground.

## The Law Of God

And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it:for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. (Genesis 2:16-17)

Notice, God commanded, or established a law for mankind to obey. This was before Abraham, Moses, the Ten Commandments or the ordinances given in the Old Testament that Israel was to obey. There were things that mankind could freely do, with no bad consequences. There was another thing if mankind did that would bring death, the curse or bad things on them. God said so. This speaks of spiritual death but it also points out that there was a law to be obeyed in order to avoid bad things.

God's Kingdom has laws that must be obeyed in order to avoid the curse or bad things from happening in your life as a Christian. The lost must be born again or they live under a curse and go to hell when they die.

## THE NEW TESTAMENT LAW

Breathe deeply and hang on as you explore New Testament law. Don't pass out, until you have read it completely, then you are free to do so. Then you can scream, complain and yell about it. The Bible is God speaking to you and me today.

#### The Law Of Jesus Christ

And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master; what shall I do to inherit eternal life?-- He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. (Luke 10:25-28)

#### **FOUNDING OF AFI**

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Acts Fellowship International was founded by Randall Grier Ministries, in 1996, as a result of fasting and prayer. In January 1996, Rev. Kenneth Erwin Hagin ministered to Randall and told him things about his future ministry. In October 1996, he began to seek God about those things, with prayer and fasting. The Lord spoke to him and told him to start a ministerial organization. He said to the Lord, "Why do you need another organization? They seem to be a dime a dozen." The Lord said, "Why were there twelve tribes in Israel? Each one had a special purpose. It will take many organizations to accomplish My will in the earth today." Two years later, the first AFI meeting was held with great success. It offers membership to Christians who want to be a part through Acts Kingdom Builders, and licensing and ordination to those in ministry through AFI. Visit www.rgmafi.org for more information.

#### **THE VISION OF AFI**

The Vision of Acts Fellowship International is to network ministers, churches, ministries and Christians together for the speedy advancement of the Kingdom of God, in power and demonstration of the Word and Spirit; preserving and proclaiming sound Bible doctrine in this generation. Making ready a people prepared for the second coming of Jesus Christ, by contending for the faith once delivered to the saints.

#### THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH

The church has been in a battle, in the last few years, to maintain sound Bible doctrine and influence society towards The Lord Jesus Christ. Many, previously, sound church organizations now embrace practices that the Bible specifically states as sin. Many Holy Ghost, pentecostal organizations have turned away from the Holy Ghost, His Gifts, and have become lifeless and will soon be dead spiritually.

AFI is moving on in the Holy Ghost and contending for the faith that was once delivered to the saints. The anointing is increasing in all the churches and ministries who are with us in this effort. It makes a difference with whom you are associated with and can make the difference between success and defeat. Dad Hagin taught us that and we have proven it true over and over. Join with us with your supply of the Spirit and we will all be stronger in this endeavor together. Jesus did not rebuke the lawyer for enquiring about the law and eternal life. He commended the lawyer because he knew the law, then He told the lawyer to do it to live. Jesus was pointing out that the lawyer had to do what he was saying. You and I do too. I realize that Jesus was speaking to the Jewish people but the principle of the law applies to Christians also.

Christians don't obey the law to get saved, we obey it to remain free from the curse. No one, in their right Biblical mind, would disagree that this law, in Luke 10:25-28, does not apply to all human beings, and must be obeyed today.

# **Apostle Paul And The Law**

For all the <u>law</u> is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. (Gal. 5:14)

The word law here is defined as: a law or rule producing a state approved of God. Apostle Paul believed there were rules a Christian must obey to be approved of God. We are not saved by keeping the Old Testament law, as he explained in the book of Galatians. We are saved by accepting Jesus Christ as our Lord, which is being born again.

When a person is born again there is an immediate change in their life (John 3:3, 2 Corinthians 5:17). I was on my third escape from prison when I was born again. I was going to commit a crime shortly. I was a law breaker, thief, liar, alcohol and drug addict, cheater, sinner, and wanted nothing to do with God. I was lower down than a snake's belly in a wagon rut. My whole life was a mess. When I received Jesus as my Lord, I was born again and I changed immediately. I instantly desired to serve God and wanted a Bible. I started praying, praising and thanking God and was filled with joy! I immediately left the people I was hanging around, turned myself into the police and went back to prison because I wanted to be honest and tell the truth. I was born again and my lifestyle proved it. *If a person states they are born again their lifestyle must agree with the rules of the Bible or they are simply deceived. Amen.* 

# **Apostle Paul Taught This To Us**

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like:of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which <u>do such things</u> shall not inherit the kingdom of God. (Galatians 5: 19-21)

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's <u>have</u> <u>crucified the flesh</u> with the affections and lusts. (Galatians 5:22-24)

If a Christian fails to do what Apostle Paul taught, they will experience the curse or oppression from satanic powers in their life. My brother and sister died young because they failed to obey what Paul said. My brother died in his forties and my sister in her fifties. I sadly, preached both of their funerals. Yes, they made heaven, but died prematurely because they failed to do what the Bible said. I talked with them, many times, to try to get them to obey the Bible because I loved them. If you consistently disobey the Bible, over a period of time, satanic powers will cause havoc in your life and misery will abound.

I have witnessed other Christians who have failed to apply the rules of the Bible to their lives. They constantly have problems, spiritually, physically, financially, family and mentally. Some of them justify their lifestyle by saying the devil doesn't like me because I am specially anointed. That's why I have all these problems. The devil doesn't like any human being, especially Christians.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (James 4:7)

You submit to God by obeying His Word. You can resist the devil all you want to, but he will not flee from you unless you are submitted to God. If you submit to God, the devil will flee. The Bible says so. Amen. Yes, I believe that we can experience attacks from Satan when we are in the perfect will of God. The greatest attacks I have ever went through was when I was obeying the Lord. I came out victorious through Jesus Christ! Today, many Christians experience bad things (the curse) because they think there are no laws or rules that should govern their lives. I believe this has occurred because some in the church world have taught a lawless, no regulations or guidelines gospel to the people. The Christian is taught to confess *I am so and so*, and that is good, but if you do not act on, or live out, what you confess - by His Spirit in you, you have opened the door to the devil in your life.

# **Apostle James And The Law**

So speak ye, and <u>so do</u>, as they that shall be judged by the <u>law</u> of liberty. (James 2:12)

The word *law* here is defined as: *a law or rule producing a state approved of God.* A Christian always desires to please God and be approved of Him, by obeying His Word.

Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works:shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith <u>by my works</u>. (Jam. 2:17-18)

Correct Bible faith, is faith that is believed, confessed and put into practice in the life of the Christian.

Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well:<u>the devils also</u> <u>believe</u>, and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that <u>faith without</u> works is dead? (Jam. 2:19-20)

We must live our lives according to what we believe.



# NATIONAL CURSE

The reason we have the problems we do, in the United States, will be found in the principles of Deuteronomy 28. I realize that chapter was giving rules to obey to Israel. Those same principles, rules, directives and regulations will surely apply to any nation. Israel then, is a type and shadow of the church today. We are God's people because we have been grafted in through Jesus Christ. If the Jewish people experienced the misery they have for rejecting God, do you think we will be exempt from our rejecting God. No, we will not. The same Bible applies to all nations and the church world

Not having to repent of sin is a popular subject being taught to Christians today. Ask the Jews if that is true or not. They were ran out of their country, children and adults were horrifically tortured, punished and killed by those inspired by satanic powers. This occurred in the New Testament era, after Jesus Christ had paid the penalty for all sin.

Why did they have to suffer for their rejection of Jesus Christ, if they were automatically forgiven. It is easy to see they were not automatically forgiven by reading history. They were under a curse for disobeying the Bible. Our nation is under a curse because many are rejecting God in our laws and lives. May we all turn to him this year.

# The Church Is The Key

Undoubtedly, many in the church world needs to repent or our nation would not be in the mess it is in. We have spiritual problems, political problems, social problems, financial problems, physical problems, crime problems and sin problems, to name a few. We can confess we don't all we want to, while we are going under, and it won't change anything. There must be an obedience by repenting and doing what the Bible says. Not everyone is wrong, thank God! This remnant can help others through their prayers.

# Jesus Christ Gives The Solution

Jesus told Dad Hagin in 1979, "If the Christians of this nation had done what I told them to do in My Word and had prayed for the leaders of their country, they could have kept those evil spirits you saw in 1970 from operating in this nation. None of those upheavals would have occurred in your nation. You would not have had the political, social, and economic disturbances in this nation, and the President never would have made the mistakes he made. In fact, I'm holding the Church responsible for the President's mistakes."

Thank God the curse or satanic oppression can be stopped by a praying church, that is walking in obedience to the Bible. Victory is sure for those who obey in 2015. Thank God for His Mercy and grace, and He will help us!

## **Summary Of Blessing And Curse**

I want to close by saying that not all bad things that happen to Christians are the results of their wrong doing. We live in a fallen world where accidents take place and storms whirl about. I believe the Lord will help lead us to avoid these things as we follow Him. Things do occur that there seems to be no explanation for why it happened, as we all know.

Also, our Heavenly Father is not a tyrant that is looking for ways to punish us. He blesses us even when we do not deserve it! That is the love, mercy and grace of God. We all have the mercy and grace of God extended to us daily, and He is long-suffering with us. He puts up with our disobedience over and over, trying to lead us to change. Thank God that He does or I would already be dead, in my past sin.

What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. (Rom. 6:15)

The continued practice of sin will open the door to the devil to cause havoc with a person or nation. We do not keep the old testament law to be saved. We obey Bible scriptures and rules because we love God with all our hearts, and to close the door to the devil. *Amen*.

### WHAT THE HOLY GHOST IS SAYING ABOUT 2015

In 2015, an evil darkness will sweep across the land trying to hinder His plan. Those who do not have oil in their lamps will not be kept, and into the darkness they will go, not understanding the Holy Ghost flow. Those who have followed His plan, by taking a stand for His Word and Spirit will step into a place they have never been before, because The Lord has opened this door. The glories of the heavenly realm will be revealed unto them and they will not be defeated in Him.







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