

*Sermon Questions for Life Groups*  
***The Curse of the Law or The Blessing  
of the Gospel - Gal 3:10-14***

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*These questions are generated by several authors for Life Group discussions  
or family or personal devotions*

1. Read Galatians 3:11, then read Romans 3:22-24 and Romans 3:27-31. As you reflect on these passages review Romans 3:31 – why does Paul write that we uphold the law and not just nullify the law by faith?
2. Read Romans 3:10-12 and Isaiah 64:6 and discuss:
  - a.) How do these passages relate to what John spoke of in his section on “the Curse of the Law”?
  - b.) How do these passages highlight that when we try to save ourselves by the law, it is simply because we selfishly want to be our own saviours?
3. Pastor John spoke about charges against Paul's gospel. They said more had to be added to the Gospel. What additions do people make to the Gospel today?
4. What evidence do you see of God's Genesis curse of creation? How can God's curse be beneficial?
5. What was the purpose of the law of God? Where does it fail?
6. Read Galatians 3:10 and Matthew 5:48 – summarize why the law is considered a curse? Recall a time in your life where you tried to live according to the law and what were the results?
7. What blessing does Galatians 3:14 refer to when citing the blessing given to Abraham?
8. Deuteronomy 28:15-68 describes in great detail the the consequences of disobedience to the law. Why would people choose the bondage of the law instead of God's grace?
9. In the second part of Galatians 3:14, the Holy Spirit is promised to us; in what ways do you experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in your daily life?
10. Discuss the three blessings of the Gospel- justification, eternal life and the gift of the Holy Spirit.
11. John's message this week was about how we cannot rely on the law in order to save us, but we must rely wholly on the finished work on Christ on the cross. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-10 and consider how this passage about Jars of clay (earthen vessels) relates to how we should present the gospel to the world without getting in the way ourselves?
12. Please continue to pray for Pastor Dave and Paul Gerics as they serve the Filipino church for the rest of this week. Pray for them and those they are teaching: safety, strengthened health, good rest when able, Spirit-filled worship, anointed learning, spiritual growth. Pray for their safe travel on their journey home at the end of the week.