

WHY CURSES / PLAGUES

Deut 28:15 ...

FAILURE TO OBEY THE LORD GOD

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Deuteronomy 28:15-66 (AMP)

¹⁵ But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord your God, being watchful to do all His commandments and His statutes which I command you this day, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you:

¹⁶ <u>Cursed</u> shall you be in the city and cursed shall you be in the field. ¹⁷ <u>Cursed</u> shall be your basket and your kneading trough.
¹⁸ <u>Cursed</u> shall be the fruit of your body, of your land, of the increase of your cattle and the young of your sheep. ¹⁹ <u>Cursed</u> shall you be when you come in and <u>cursed</u> shall you be when you go out.

20 The Lord shall send you curses, confusion, and rebuke in every enterprise to which you set your hand, until you are destroyed, perishing quickly because of the evil of your doings by which you have forsaken me [Moses and God as one]. 21 The Lord will make the pestilence cling to you until He has consumed you from the land into which you go to possess. 22 The Lord will smite you with consumption, with fever and inflammation, fiery heat, sword and drought, blasting and mildew; they shall pursue you until you perish. 23 The heavens over your head shall be brass and the earth under you shall be iron. 24 The Lord shall make the rain of your land powdered soil and dust; from the heavens it shall come down upon you until you are destroyed.

25 **The Lord shall cause** you to be struck down before your enemies; you shall go out one way against them and flee seven ways before them, and you shall be tossed to and fro and be a terror among all the **kingdoms of the earth**. [Fulfilled in II Chron. 29:8.] 26 And your dead body shall be food for all the birds of the air and the beasts of the earth, and there shall be no one to frighten them away. 27 The Lord will smite you with the boils of Egypt and the tumors, the scurvy and the itch, from which you cannot be healed. 28 The Lord will smite you with madness and blindness and dismay of [mind and] heart.

59 Then <u>the Lord will bring</u> upon you and your descendants extraordinary strokes and blows, <u>great</u> <u>plagues of long continuance, and grievous sicknesses</u> <u>of long duration.</u>

60 Moreover, He will bring upon you all the diseases of Egypt of which you were afraid, and they shall cling to you. 61 Also every sickness and every affliction which is not written in this Book of the Law the Lord will bring upon you until you are destroyed. 62 And you shall be left few in number, whereas you had been as the stars of the heavens for multitude, **because you would not** obey the voice of the Lord your God.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (AMP) TO EVERYTHING there is a season, and a time for every matter or purpose under heaven: Ecclesiastes 3:2 (AMP) A time to be born and a time to die, ... 12. What curses would follow Israel for not following the commands of the Lord? (28:15-24)

13. How would the enemies of the Lord defeat the Israelites? (28:25-26)

14. What bad news did God have for Israel? (28:36-37)

15. Why would so many curses overcome the Israelites? (28:45-48)

16. What would happen if Israel did not carefully follow all the words of the law? (28:58-63)

16. What is a specific decision you need to make to honor God?

18. In what area of your life do you want to invite the Holy Spirit to work?

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