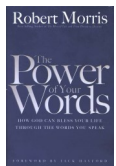


• S\_\_\_\_\_ MY LIFE TO JESUS CHRIST

*"But those who depend on the law to make them right with God are under his curse. . . Consequently, it is clear that no one can ever be right with God by trying to keep the law. . . . But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing. For it is written in the Scriptures, "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree."  
– Galatians 3:10 - 13*

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**MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...**

- ☐ Memorize Psalm 19:14
- ☐ Learn more about 'curse' at: <http://tinyurl.com/6nqytj>
- ☐ Work to remove all inappropriate cursing from my vocabulary
- ☐ Surrender my life to Jesus Christ today

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*"The Tongue has the power of life and death."  
– Proverbs 18:21*

**UNDERSTANDING 'THE CURSE' BEHIND  
CURSE WORDS**

Hebrew: *herem*

Greek: *anathema*

- The serpent was cursed (Gen 3:14 – 15)
- Cain is cursed (Gen 4:11)
- Curses are completely under God's control (1 Kings 8:31 – 32)
- A curse cannot be placed on an innocent person (1 Sam 14:24; Prov 26:2)
- Unfaithfulness is the source of all curses
- Faithfulness to God removes the curse (Deut 33:8-10)
- The greatest curse is the curse of sin (Rom 9:3; Gal 3:10,13; Gal 21:23)
- The cure for the curse of sin is the cross of Jesus Christ (Gal 3:10,13)

## HOW TO TURN CURSING INTO BLESSING

- **BE \_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT CURSING**

*"[The tongue] is restless and evil, full of deadly poison. Sometimes it praises our Lord and Father, and sometimes it curses those who have been made in the image of God. And so blessing and cursing come pouring out of the same mouth . . . this is not right!"*  
– James 3:8-10

What you should curse:

What you should not curse:

- **LEARN TO \_\_\_\_\_ BEFORE I SPEAK**

*"What a joy it is to find just the right word for the right occasion!"*  
– Proverbs 15:23

### Memory Verse

*"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer."*  
– Psalm 19:14

- **E \_\_\_\_\_ OTHERS WITH MY WORDS**

*"So speak encouraging words to one another"*  
– 1 Thessalonians 5:11

*"The words of a gossip are as self-inflicted wounds, And they have gone down to the inner parts of the heart."*  
– Proverbs 18:8