

# How Do Curses Go Into Effect?

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*"If you will not listen, if you will not lay it to heart to give glory to my name, says the Lord of hosts, then I will send the CURSE on you and I will CURSE your blessings; indeed I have already CURSED them, because you did not lay it to heart." (Malachi 2:2)*

## **SIN PUTS CURSES INTO EFFECT!! - Just as with Adam and Eve**

*"You rebuke the arrogant, who are CURSED and who stray from your commands." (Psalm 119:21)*

*"Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' 'In tithes and offerings. You are under a CURSE - the whole nation of you - because you are robbing me.' " (Malachi 3:8-9)*

*"This is what the Lord says: 'CURSED is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord. but blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him.' " (Jeremiah 17:5,7)*

*"With eyes full of adultery, they never stop sinning; they seduce the unstable; they are experts in greed - an ACCURSED brood!" (2 Peter 2:14)*

The practice of sin can expose even the believer to curses. So many believers are experiencing their own lives and their families falling apart. They do not recognize the sin in their lives being related to their deteriorating circumstances. God allows curses to take affect and hopefully get their attention so they will recognize their sin, deal with it and recommit themselves to Him.

*"But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete. --(Luke 6:49)*

Some Christians would be appalled to know that they have pronounced curses by wishing themselves dead or others dead. When a person says "damn you" or "damn that ..." they are pronouncing curses.

*"With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers, this should not be." (James 3:9-10)*

Those who live godly lives do not have to worry about curses coming to rest upon them. God protects the righteous.

*"Like the fluttering sparrow or a darting swallow, an undeserved curse does not come to rest."* (Proverbs 26:2)

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