

**We must remember the fullness of the curse of sin.**

**1. The serpent**

Verse 14

Leviticus 11:41-45 – <sup>41</sup> “**Every swarming thing that swarms on the ground is detestable**; it shall not be eaten. <sup>42</sup> **Whatever goes on its belly**, and whatever goes on all fours, or whatever has many feet, any swarming thing that swarms on the ground, you shall not eat, for **they are detestable**. <sup>43</sup> You shall not make yourselves detestable with any swarming thing that swarms, and you shall not defile yourselves with them, and become unclean through them. <sup>44</sup> For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy. **You shall not defile yourselves with any swarming thing** that crawls on the ground. <sup>45</sup> For I am the LORD who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.”

Psalm 72:8-9 - <sup>8</sup> May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth!  
<sup>9</sup> May desert tribes bow down before him, and **his enemies lick the dust!**

**2. Eve**

Verse 16

Genesis 4:7 - If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, **sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you**, but you must rule over it.”

**3. The ground**

Verses 17-18

Romans 8:22-23 - <sup>22</sup> For we know that **the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth** until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

**4. Adam**

Verse 19

Ecclesiastes 2:17-22 - <sup>17</sup> So I hated life, because what is done under the sun was grievous to me, for **all is vanity** and a striving after wind. <sup>18</sup> **I hated all my toil** in which I toil under the sun, seeing that **I must leave it to the man who will come after me**, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So **I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors** under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because **sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it**. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> **What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun?**

### What if I feel unfulfilled and undervalued in my work?

- **Remember your employer**

*1 Corinthians 15:58 — Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.*

- **Remember your job description**

*Colossians 3:17, 23 - And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. ...Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.*

- **Remember your time and place**

*1 Peter 3:13-17 — <sup>13</sup> Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup> but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, <sup>16</sup> having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.*

## 5. Animals

*Verse 21*

*Hebrews 9:22 - Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.*

## 6. Relationship

*Verses 22-24*

*Romans 8:6-7 — <sup>6</sup> For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.*

### Picture of Nick Proby Family

*Prince Escalade of Verona (Romeo and Juliet):*

*Where be these enemies? Capulet, Montague?*

*See what a scourge is laid upon your hate, that heaven finds means to kill your joys with love!*

*And I for winking at your discords too, have lost a brace of kinsmen.*

*All are punished.*

*Romans 3:23, 6:23 - for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

## **We must remember the fullness of the cure for sin.**

Verse 15

### **1. Satan is defeated**

Mark 4:35-39 - <sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” <sup>36</sup> And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup> And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. <sup>38</sup> But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” <sup>39</sup> And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, **“Peace! Be still!”** And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Revelation 12:7-12 - <sup>7</sup> Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup> but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup> And the great dragon was thrown down, **that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth,** and his angels were thrown down with him. <sup>10</sup> And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. <sup>11</sup> And **they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony,** for they loved not their lives even unto death. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the **devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!**”

### **2. Shame is disarmed**

Hebrews 12:2 - looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him **endured the cross, despising the shame,** and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

### **3. Separation is discontinued**

2 Chronicles 3:10-14 – <sup>10</sup> In **the Most Holy Place** he made **two cherubim** of wood and overlaid them with gold. <sup>11</sup> The wings of the cherubim together extended twenty cubits: one wing of the one, of five cubits, touched the wall of the house, and its other wing, of five cubits, touched the wing of the other cherub; <sup>12</sup> and of this cherub, one wing, of five cubits, touched the wall of the house, and the other wing, also of five cubits, was joined to the wing of the first cherub. <sup>13</sup> The wings of these cherubim extended twenty cubits. **The cherubim stood on their feet, facing the nave.** <sup>14</sup> **And he made the veil of blue and purple and crimson fabrics and fine linen, and he worked cherubim on it.**

Matthew 27:45-51 – <sup>5</sup> Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. <sup>46</sup> And about the ninth hour **Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”** <sup>47</sup> And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said, “This man is calling Elijah.” <sup>48</sup> And one of them at once ran and took a sponge, filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink. <sup>49</sup> But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.” <sup>50</sup> And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

<sup>51</sup> And behold, **the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.** And the earth shook, and the rocks were split.

*Revelation 21:3-4 - <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “**Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.** <sup>4</sup> He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”*

#### **4. The Son is disfigured**

*John 19:1-2 - <sup>1</sup> Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. <sup>2</sup> And the soldiers twisted together a crown of **thorns** and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe.*

*Deuteronomy 21:22-23 - <sup>22</sup> “And if a man has committed a crime punishable by death and he is put to death, and **you hang him on a tree,** <sup>23</sup> his body shall not remain all night on the tree, but you shall bury him the same day, for **a hanged man is cursed by God.** You shall not defile your land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance.*

*Galatians 3:13 - Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”*

**Scripture Reading:** *1 Timothy 1:15*