

THE BEGINNING Genesis 1-11

The Destruction of Sin and the Dawn of Hope

Genesis 3:14-19 (page 3/large print page 3 or 4)

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1. The Curse of the Serpent and the Promise of Victory (3:14–15)

2. The Curse of Pain and the Hope of Redemption (3:16)

3. The Curse of Futility and the Shadow of Death (3:17–19)

Quick Review

- 1. Was there anything in the passage that challenged or encouraged you?
- 2. How did this passage of Scripture help you see Christ better?

Digging Deeper

1. Read Psalm 110. How does the "footstool" image in Psalm 110:1 echo Genesis 3:15? What does it mean for Jesus (the Offspring) to sit at the Father's right hand until all his enemies are subdued?

2. Read Colossians 2:15. In light of Genesis 3:15, how is Christ's work on the cross the fulfillment of the serpent-crushing promise? Which phrases in Colossians 2:15 most powerfully connect you back to Eden's first gospel?

Taking It Home

1. As a group, choose one "curse area" (conflict, relationship strain, work frustration, fear of death) and pray for each member to experience the Seed's reversing power this week. Plan a follow-up in your next growth group to share one testimony of how you saw Genesis 3:15's promise come alive in your life.

2. Identify one task this week that feels like "toil under a curse." How will you offer it to Jesus as an act of worship (see Colossians 3:23)? When frustration sets in, meditate on Galatians 6:9 or 1 Corinthians 15:58 to remind yourself that your labor is not in vain.