



10 Curses That Block The Blessing (06/12/12) Biblical Discussion

What is a curse?

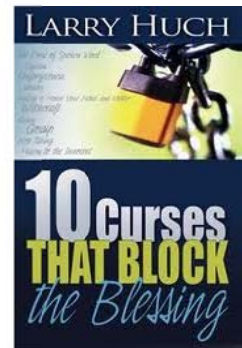
Are there good and bad curses?

In what ways can we be cursed?

Do you think you are cursed?

How long does a curse last?

Can a curse be broken?



10 Curses That Block The Blessing (book by Larry Huch)

1. **The Creative Power of the Tongue** – The number one way a curse can come on your life and block your blessings is in the words you speak to yourself and others (Proverbs 18:21, Matthew 15:11, Matthew 12:37)
2. **Loshon Hora** – (the evil tongue or evil speech) Is a term for derogatory speech about another person. Its focus is on the use of true speech for a wrongful purpose (Proverbs 13:2-3, **Hosea 4:6**, Galatians 6:7).
3. **The High Cost of Anger** – Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce; and their wrath, for it cruel! I will divide them in Jacob and scatter them in Israel. Moses being used by God to free his people from slavery, staff turned into a serpent, parting the Red Sea, water from a rock, manna falling from heaven, the Ten Commandments, but he did not make it to the promise land “You did not hallow Me in the eyes of the Children of Israel (Numbers 20:12, Proverbs 14:17, 15:1, 18, 16:32, 22:24, 29:22, Matt. 5:22, Galatians 5:20, **Eph. 4:26**, 31, 6:4).
4. **Breaking the Curse That’s on Your Money** – what you speaking about your finances? What are you doing with your money? (Exodus 12:35-36, Proverbs 13:22, **Proverbs 10:22**, James 5:7, 1Tim 6:10, **Ephesians 4:26-32**) “*if I succeed without sowing a seed, then someone who went ahead of me sowed that seed*” or “*if don’t see the success, or harvest on seeds, then someone who follows me will reap that harvest*”. God is going to give you the former and the latter rain Joel 2:23
5. **Witchcraft – Its More Common Than You Think** - the art or practices of a witch; sorcery; magic or magical influence; You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified (Gal. 3:1, 5:19-20, Ephesians 6:10-20).
6. **Harming the Innocent** – These six things the Lord hates, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: a proud look, a lying tongue, hands that *shed innocent blood*, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, a false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren (Proverbs 6:16-19, Psalm 10:7-8, **Lamentations 5:7, Matt. 18:6-7**)
7. **The Curse of Unforgiveness** - And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.... For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses (Matthew 6:12, 14-15, **18:21-35, 5:23-24**).
8. **The Curse of Racism** – Every kingdom divided against itself it brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand (Matt. 12:25) A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:34-35). (**Mark 16:15-18**) America and most of the world is divided on Sunday morning than any other day of the week. First we are divided by denominations. Race of the pastor, and so on.
9. **Legalism vs. The Law** – What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead. Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death. For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good (Romans 7:7-12).
10. **Honor Your Father and Mother** (The commandment with a Promise of Blessing) – Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor you father and mother” which is the first commandment with promise: “that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.” (Ephesians 6:1-3, Malachi 4:6, **Colossians 3:18-21**) Love is an emotion, but honor is an act of obedience.