

Sermon

The Curse of Sin

Genesis 3:14-19

Series:

Designed for Dignity: God's Purposes for Us in Genesis 1-3

God explains the high cost Adam and Eve's disobedience will have for them, for their descendants, and for the world

Though sin has radically affected the created order, the Creator King remains Almighty over all.

The Serpent

Sin must be dealt with at the source.

The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, <u>cursed</u> are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put <u>enmity</u> between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall <u>bruise</u> your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

Genesis 3:14-15



Our Sovereign God turns evil on its head.

The Woman

Relationships in a sinful world are painful.

To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your *pain* in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your *desire* shall be for* your husband, but he shall *rule* over you."

Genesis 3:16



Christ renews relationships in selfless grace.

The Man

Humanity is subjected to vexation in a sinful world.

And to Adam he said, "Because you have *listened* to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Genesis 3:17-19

Christ is restoring all things to Himself, including our work and our lives.



What does this mean for us?



