

The Bible Says We Must Keep the Torah Properly – Galatians 3:10 NKJV.

"For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, '**Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.**'"

Shaul quotes Galatians 3:10 from, Deuteronomy 27:26 CJB: "A curse on anyone who does not confirm the words of this Torah by putting them into practice." Since that is what Shaul is quoting, that is what he means. He is saying that those who don't keep the Torah are cursed. Those who are adding and subtracting from the Torah are cursed because they are not keeping the Torah.

Back in Yeshua's time we know that there was also a problem with people adding and subtracting from God's word. They were disobeying the Torah – they were Torah breakers. Shaul was addressing the issue of Torah breakers. Deuteronomy 4:2 NKJV says, "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you;"

Therefore, those who keep extra laws and rituals as commandments of God or subtract from God's commandments both in Yeshua's time and our era are also under a curse. That is what Shaul is talking about in Galatians 3:10. So, both the Old Testament portion and the New Testament portion teaches that those who disobey the Torah are cursed. And, if people are not putting the Torah into practice, they are also Torah breakers and they are sinning. Why do people have trouble understanding this?

Kefa talks about some who twist Shaul's words. 2 Peter 3:15-16 NKJV, "Also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, **which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction**, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures." What are they untaught in? There was no New Testament at the time.

So, they did not learn the Old Testament portion as they should have. Some twist Shaul's words in Galatians 3:10 (and the context in Galatians) to make it seem we do not have to keep the Torah when Shaul is quoting just the opposite. Kefa says they do this **to their destruction**. It should be clear. People and sometimes Bible teachers twist Shaul's words to suit their own theology.

Theology is a system of beliefs that can sometimes take on beliefs that are contrary to the teachings of the Bible. Yeshua took issue with those who did this. Yeshua said in Matthew 15:9 NKJV "And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." Yeshua said in Matthew 5:17 NKJV "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets." Some theologies then immediately negate what Yeshua said. They are adding their own interpretation to Yeshua's words. Kefa said they are in trouble spiritually. These people seem to be brainwashed with man-made religious thought and they do not want to follow God the way they should. Yeshua said their worship is in vain, worth nothing. We should want to follow God the way we are supposed to.