

Sermon Discussion Guide
Reverse the Curse
The Old is Gone, The New is Here
May 1, 2022

 **Big Idea**

We can reverse the curse of sin by becoming a new creation in Christ.

 **Icebreaker**

Do you hold on to old items? What's one thing you probably don't need any more but insist on keeping?

 **Discussion Questions**

Read **Acts 9:3-6**. Refer to all of chapter 9 for this discussion.

1. What did the curse of sin look like in Saul's life? How can our sin affect others?
2. Why did Jesus give the response that Saul was persecuting him? What does that say about how much Jesus loves his followers?
3. Have you ever felt too far gone? How does Paul's story give you a different perspective on that?
4. What does Paul's conversion story have to do with baptism? Is baptism a requirement for Christians? Why or why not?

 **Concluding Question**

Read **2 Corinthians 5:17**. What does it mean to be a "new creation?" How does this reverse the curse of sin? Do you feel like you are a new creation? How can you live in that reality this week?

 **Application**

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?

 **Prayer**

Possible prayer topics for this week:

- Finding identity in being a new creation
- Reversing the curse of sin
- Baptisms this past weekend
- Revive's young adult ministry