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## WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

## SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

A World Full of Blessings | Pastor Derek Vreeland | August 8, 2021

- 1. How do you experience love?
  - A. When I receive a gift
  - B. When I spend time with those closest to me
  - C. When friends do something special for me
  - D. When I receive words of affirmation
  - E. Other
- 2. Do you find expressing words of encouragement, affirmation, or blessing easy or difficult?

Read Deuteronomy 30:15-19

- 3. What typically turns us away from loving God and experiencing the blessings God offers?
- 4. If we have a choice between blessings and curses, why would anyone choose a curse?
- 5. What is it about a secular culture that resists a world of blessings and curses?
- 6. When in your life have you experienced a blessing of God as a gift of grace?

Read Galatians 3:13-14

- 7. *The Message Bible* translates Galatians 3:13 as "Christ redeemed us from that self-defeating, cursed life by absorbing it completely into himself." How does this translation explain what it means for Jesus to become a curse for us?
- 8. What can you say to bless other people in a way that seems natural and unforced?

Read Luke 6:28 and James 3:7-12

- 9. What are the challenges you face in blessing those who curse you?
- 10. What one thing can you do this week to increase blessings in your world?