



Daily Devotion



“Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law.” Galatians 3:13

Some church signs really raise my eyebrows. During our recent heat wave, I saw the typical: “If you think it’s hot here, just wait!” And then there was this one: “There is no stop, drop, and roll in hell.” Kind of makes you wonder what the sermons are like.

Here is my take on this. Preachers are to preach the Law, for God commands this. No sinner would see a need for the Gospel of Jesus if the Law did not first accuse and threaten him. But the Law is not able to save us. It simply takes away the false security rug we’re standing on so that we fall on our knees before God. He then lifts us up in the holy wounds of our Savior by preaching the Gospel into our ears. It is not good for a hearer to leave church with the heavy weight of the Law on his heart and mind. Rather, everyone should leave in the joy and peace of the Gospel of Christ. The same is true of someone who drives by a church. If the sign they read leaves them falling and despairing, the sign-poster is responsible for their despair. How wonderful, instead, would be a sign that lifts them up in Jesus.

Lord Jesus, You took my place in hell. Therefore, when the Law threatens me because of my sin, put Your Gospel into my ears and give me peace and comfort. Amen.