

Gal. 3:13

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SUBJECT: The Curse and
the Tree

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Mal. 3:13,14

THE CURSE AND THE TREE

"Tree"

Act 5:30
10:39
13:29
18:24

"A curse ... that the blessing might come ... in might within the promise..."

I. The Agony of Death - and Glory.

J. John 21:19

1. Among the trees that grew around Jer. in the days of Calvary the figs fruit was honored above all others. That it was fit to be glorified, stripped of its branches, leaves & foliage, flowers [the degenerated legend with cross of nail-printed flowers], laid under the body cut in two hands. Fashioned into a cross; one end set in earth reaching toward heaven; the other a cross arm, reaching out on either side, wide as the world is wide, for the bloody, cruel sacrifice of meaning, the Roman Empire

2. Among the men who lived in the days of Pontius Pilate, one had a son. Humble, unselfish, kind, good, holy. That he might be exalted, a name above any name, stripped of his glory [Phil. 2:6-8], scourged, his garments divided, cast lots for seamless robe, nailed, exposed, lifted up. His hands? Blessing... miraculous; his feet? miraculous (not 8:7) will come and heal him.]; his heart? love.

3. He and the tree lifted up together on a hill beyond the city wall.

(A) The Figgy Tree

they were glorified together, the tree .. the son / man. The cross .. the son Jesus. When the agony was over, men separated the dead body from the dead wood: but he and the cross became inseparable in human memory, feeling, thought, prayer, teaching. That man on the top of the hill which held the tree, became the first upon which the destiny of humanity swung.

The dead man lived again! The glory of the resurrection.

4. The tree began to grow again!

John 14:7 "For there is hope, a tree, if it be cut down..."
Deep, deep went the new roots, three earth, fire, water, winds, hearts, souls, languages, civilizations. Bar 12 man of fruit, spirit of Bar, fruit my mouth, and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

(B) Bar - good [Bar. Browning's friend] not fruit of "The Tree" fig:
men, women, children gathered under the shadow of the tree. One side, a garden; the other, harvest of grain. Along ways: "I would, I would, but by your help, I have won the world."

The tree / fig on the Garden, Eden - in heaven - the cross!

II. Ugliness into Beauty

To what more degrading form a tree reduced than the cross tree: a cross whose angularity has the gross Roman ugliness, every known principle of beauty. Yet we find it in its naturalized, ennobled. Gal. 6: 14

(1) The great bronze doors of the baptistry in Florence by Lorenzo Ghiberti [1378-1455] [cf. Pisa, St. Paul's in Rome]. The panels the most supremely beautiful masterpieces in the entire field of sculptural design. Michael-Angelo, "worthy to be the gates of Paradise," places the cross.

The tree of degradation the theme of the world's violent, greedy, material, godless

patterns on which there

(2) The stone of the 13th architect in the modern mosque shape repeated in chased silver, refined gold

Placed of gems cut of form 1 & 2

Replica enshrined in another material, primarily of unnumbered types

Turned of metal dies

(3) It is plastered, gilt, or gilded blue

It is but when the crosses rose or rose.

John Brown 1732-1822
in the collection of
1732-1822

5. A Cross into a Blessing. Lij van Orath.

Contract Gal. 3:13 and 6:14-15.

Our salvation.

Seeing a cross saved according as the cross is with a foolishness
of the power of God. I Cor. 1:18 ²⁰⁻²² An unlearned people & possess their
wisdom, looking there with, being, no spiritual power, then the cross.

This death for us: H. instead of UTEP Gal 2:20
3:13

Upon the cross of Jesus
I see my sin at times can see
The way dying from of sin
Who suffers there for me.

Our Liberty

Bound down by ages of fear, superstition, weight of sin, death.
delivered, free. John 8:32, 33, 36; John 14:6

Victor Hugo, delving an address at the planting of the
Liberty Tree in Paris: The first tree of liberty was planted by
our Henry or Voltaire.

Rescued the gladiator
freed the slave
protected the fugitive
nursed the sick
sheltered the orphan
elevated the woman
pleased the innocent child

3. Our Transformation 6:14, 15

Out of darkness, light
" " bondage, freedom

- 3 years of migrating, bonded, hated, followed, ^{conquered} ^{against} ~~led~~
 - 3 hours of darkness in the way
 - 3 days in the grass, triumph of death
- THEN GLORY.

Howe 6:1-3

The transforming power

The apostles
The brethren
The Master. How can we
wonder in subjection. Faithy you are.

(a) Rough days of crosses, shepherds: Branded in forehead & T
"sheep thief" Converted - years passed. "Don't know what
mess, unless 'saint'."

(b) today: "I have no pen when I bring you:
born into penitence, ^{act} fulfill its home requests,
draw down into 'family prayers'."

O glory, glory, glory
to the Lamb
Hallelujah, I am saved
and I am so glad I am.

O glory, glory, glory
to the Lamb
Hallelujah, my sins
are bonded for the promised land.

an all yours right for me
I see with the door for little children. ^{are with you of form.}
I see
I see
I see

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③ (a) when a famous preacher was delivering his message,
a man rose and said, "but my son, I have had from him
all blessing flows." The minister sat down, amazed.
The man, apologetic, said: "I have been converted and
there really, it is all so & etc. I could not help it."
Then he describes his new life in glowing terms. He says,
"There is of one man & myself in our crowd who
make any profession. The other fellows give us a taste of it,
but it is good for us." "What do they do?" They ask us
questions. "What kind of questions?" "Yesterday
a man said: 'You don't believe that silly stuff about
& twin water, do you?' 'What did you say?'"
"I said I did not know anything about it & I was not
its name, but I know that in my house he had turned
his face into fruitfulness, and that was a good enough
miracle for me."

of the spirit "The cup of the water..."
cup water for us. The water.

3. Our transformation 6:14¹⁵

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Howe 6:1-3

The transforming power

The apostles
The first ^{spiritual} ^{moment}
The first. ^{Human} ^{moment}
Waters of rebirth. Finally yes, now.

(a) Rough days of confusion, shepherds: Banded in Jerusalem & T
"sheep they?" Converted - years passed. "Don't know what
mess, unless 'Zeit!'"

(b) today: "From me you have a living power:
born into primitive, ^{act} ^{and} ^{its} ^{own} ^{power},
descendants into family groups."

O glory glory, glory
to the Lamb

Hallelujah I am saved
and I am so glad I am.

O glory, glory, glory
to the Lamb

Hallelujah, my soul
is bowed for the precious Lamb.

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I see with the dawn for little children. ^{and} ^{will} ^{you} ^{of} ^{from}
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I see
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✓ The opinion "The cup of the matter..."
Cup 2/3 for us. The water.

Gerald Gould

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THE HAPPY TREE

There was a bright and happy tree;
The wind with music laced its boughs,
Furthest across the houseless sea
Came singing birds to house.

Men grudged the tree its happy ever,
Its happy dawn of eager sound;
So all that crown and tower of leaves
They levelled with the ground.

They made an upright of the stem,
A cross-piece of a bough they made:
No shadow of their deed on them
The fallen branches laid.

But blithely, since the year was young
When they a fitting bill did find,
There on the happy tree they hung
The banner of mankind.

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Faithful cross, above all others
One and only noble tree,
None in foliage, none in blossom
None in fruit, thy fruit shall be.

It was for me that Jesus died,
For me and a world of men,
Just as sinful and just as slow
To give back his love again.

He did not wait till I came to him,
But he loved me at my worst;
He needn't even have died for me
If I could have loved him first.