

Acts 13:38-41 (Good News for Lawbreakers)

1. The **Blessings** for Believers (13:38-39)

A. **Forgiveness of Sins** (38)

- Pictures us as **debtors** who cannot pay off our *infinite* debt of sin.
- Pictures us as **slaves** who cannot remove our shackles of sin.

→ HOW can I have my sins forgiven by Jesus?

B. **Freedom through Justification** (39)

- Pictures us as guilty **criminals** before a holy Judge.
- God's "bar"
- God's "response"

WHY the Law of Moses can't justify or free us.

- God's "design" for the Law
- Our need for Christ

2. The **Cursings** for Scoffers (13:40-41)

A. **Further Hardening**

B. **Eternal Death**

Conclusion: "Before the Throne of God Above"