

# What Does the Bible Say About the Death Penalty?

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## **Isaiah 40:8**

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

## **Romans 13:3a-4**

For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil... <sup>4</sup> For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to *execute* wrath upon him that doeth evil.

## **Genesis 9:6**

Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

## **Genesis 9:1**

And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

## **Isaiah 51:3**

For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

## **Isaiah 11:6-8**

The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup> And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup> And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

## **Genesis 9:2-4**

And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered. <sup>3</sup> Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. <sup>4</sup> But flesh with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.

## **Leviticus 17:14**

For *it is* the life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the life thereof...

## **Genesis 9:5-6**

And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. <sup>6</sup> Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

## **Romans 13:3-4**

For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: <sup>4</sup> For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to *execute* wrath upon him that doeth evil.