

# Psalms 21:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

## Analysis

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God's judgment extends to the 'fruit' (descendants) and 'seed' (progeny) of the wicked, emphasizing the comprehensive nature of divine justice. From a Reformed perspective, this illustrates corporate solidarity in sin and judgment. However, it also reminds us of God's mercy in Christ, who bore the curse so that believers' 'seed' might be blessed (Gal. 3:13-14). Judgment is both individual and generational.

## Historical Context

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In ancient Near Eastern warfare, eliminating an enemy's lineage prevented future rebellion. However, this verse primarily emphasizes God's sovereignty over generations—He determines which lines continue and which cease, according to His righteous purposes.

## Related Passages

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**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. How does the doctrine of original sin help explain generational consequences of evil?
2. In what ways does God's promise to Abraham reverse the curse of sin upon future generations?

## Interlinear Text

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פִּרְיָמוֹ	מֵאֶרֶץ	תִּהְיֶה דָּ	וְזֶרְעוֹ
<b>Their fruit</b>	<b>from the earth</b>	<b>shalt thou destroy</b>	<b>and their seed</b>
H6529	H776	H6	H2233
מִבְּיָנֵי	אָדָם:		
<b>from among the children</b>	<b>of men</b>		
H1121	H120		

## Additional Cross-References

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**Psalms 37:28** (Parallel theme): For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

**1 Kings 13:34** (Parallel theme): And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth.

**Psalms 109:13** (Parallel theme): Let his posterity be cut off; and in the generation following let their name be blotted out.

**Job 20:28** (Parallel theme): The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath.