

“THE GOSPEL AND SIN”

-“Whatever Became of Sin”

-In today's society, sin is often taken very lightly...

\*by the world

\*by the church

-What is sin?

\*any failure to conform to the moral law of God in act, attitude, or nature.

James 4:17 “So it is a sin for the person who knows to do what is good and doesn’t do it.”

I John 3:4 “Everyone who commits sin also breaks the law; sin is the breaking of the law.”

-The seriousness of sin

**\*Universal**

Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

**\*Consequential**

Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death...”

# THE PROBLEM OF SIN

A. The LOVE of sin

1. Sin in itself is very pleasurable

Hebrews 11:24-25 “By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter and chose to suffer with the people of God rather than to enjoy the short-lived pleasure of sin.”



2. The pleasurable side of sin blinds us to the truth

John 3:19 “This, then, is the judgment: The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil.”

I John 1:5-10

B. The PRACTICE of sin

1. ALL have sinned

Romans 3:23 “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

## 2. Christians continue to practice sin at times

Hebrews 12:3-11

I John 1:8-10 “If we say we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from

all unrighteousness. If we say, we don't have any sin, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.”

## C. The STATE of sin

1. Those who practice sin are  
“dead” in sin

Ephesians 2:1-3 “And you were dead in your trespasses and sins in which you previously walked according to the ways of this world, according to the ruler who exercises authority over the lower heavens, the spirit now working in the disobedient.

We too all previously lived among them in our fleshly desires, carrying out the inclinations of our flesh and thoughts, and we were by nature children under wrath as the others were also.”



2. We are not dead because of our sinful acts, we are dead because of our inherited sin nature

Ephesians 2:3

D. The POWER of sin

1. Jesus speaks of the  
enslaving power of sin

John 8:34 “Jesus responded, I  
assure you: Everyone who  
commits sin is a slave of sin.”

2. Even the person who  
wants to do good, cannot  
without Christ

Romans 7:14-25

BUT

Just because the battle is  
there, I cannot give in!

E. The RESULT of sin

# 1. The wages of sin is death

Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

2. Separation in this life, but more so in the life to come

Revelation 21:8 “But the cowards, unbelievers, vile, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars—their share will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.”



“This book will keep you from sin, or sin will keep you from this book.”

-D.L. Moody

“God has set a Savior against sin, a heaven against hell, light against darkness, good against evil, and the breadth and length and depth and height of grace that is in Himself for my good, against all the power and strength and subtlety of every enemy.”

-John Bunyan