



What is Sin?

Christian Basics – Part 5



Sin

- **χῤῥῆ** - Chata
to miss, go wrong, to sin
- **ἁμαρτία** – Harmatia
missing the mark, no share, loss

Chata – Harmatia
Sin – Sünde - Sund







What is SIN?

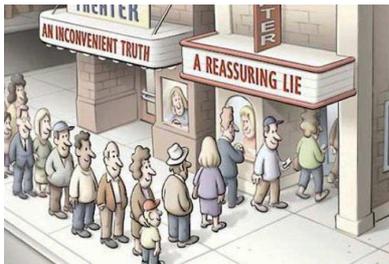


- **it's:**
bad, addictive, against God, against other people, harmful, destructive, dark, false, deceptive, luring, full of promises, never delivers, leading to sadness, causes illness, separating from God, foul, isolating and downright nasty
- **leading to:**
death, regrets, shame, hell, suffering and chaos

Sin – in Post Modern Society

Sin

- Obsolete concept
- To scare people
- It is what we make it to be
- Standard defined by society



Sin in “Real” Christianity

- Horrendous Truth
- Clearly defined
- Biggest problem on earth
- It will destroy us unless we deal with it
- God has a plan to deal with Sin
- Sin defined by God’s perfect standard (not man’s standard)
- Sin is against God, Heaven and your fellow man

POSTMODERNISM

- Uncertainty
- Lack of absolutes
- Progress is unlikely

A World without Sin:

- No gravediggers
- No Police
- No Judges, Solicitors, Prosecutors
- No Hospitals
- No hard work
- No ugliness
- No nursing homes
- No Insurance companies



Jesus said: **Go**
and **sin** **No** **more**
John 8:11

Heaven on Earth in Wales:

- **Welsh revival:**
certain towns turned close to 100% Christian
crime rate went down to zero
Local judge had nothing to do
- Accused villains confessed freely to their crimes



Genesis

- **3** Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'"
- **2** And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; **3** but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.'"
- **4** Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. **5** For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."
- **6** So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. **7** Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.
- **8** And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.
- **9** Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?"

And God spoke all these words, saying:

- **2** "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
3 "You shall have no other gods before Me.
- **4** "You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; **5** you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, **6** but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.
- **7** "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.
- **8** "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. **9** Six days you shall labor and do all your work, **10** but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. **11** For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.
- **12** "Honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the Lord your God is giving you.
- **13** "You shall not murder.
- **14** "You shall not commit adultery.
- **15** "You shall not steal.
- **16** "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- **17** "You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbour's."



Matthew 5 – Murder in NT

- **21** "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' **22** But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raca!' shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire."

Matthew 5 – Adultery in NT

- **27** “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ **28** But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.



Romans 3

21 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, **22** even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe.

For there is no difference; **23** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, **24** being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, **26** to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Galatians 5

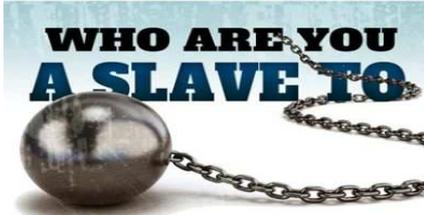
- **16** I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. **17** For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. **18** But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

- **19** Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery,^[c]fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, **20** idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, **21** envy, murders,^[d] drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

- **22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. **24** And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **25** If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. **26** Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

John 8:34

- Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits **sin** is a slave of **sin**."





John 16



- **8** And when He has come, He will convict the world of **sin**, and of **righteousness**, and of **judgment**:
- **9** of sin, because they do not believe in Me;
- **10** of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;
- **11** of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

JESUS WARNED US SEVERAL TIMES: UNLESS YOU REPENT YOU WILL ALL LIKewise PERISH
LUKE 13:3,5



JESUS LOVES YOU

2. Cor. 7:11

- For godly sorrow produces **repentance** leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.



STOP SINNING



"If you forgive
the sins of any,
they are forgiven them;
if you retain the sins of any,
they are retained."
(John 20:23)

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**"IF IT LEADS
YOU TO SIN,
IT'S NOT
WORTH IT;
GET RID
OF IT!"**

- JESUS
