

## SIN

**James 4:**<sup>17</sup> So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

1 john 1:8-10 - If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Psalms 51:5 - Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me

1 john 5:17 - All wrongdoing is sin, James 2:10 - For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

### **Omission and Commission... committing a sin, or living in a lifestyle of sin.**

1 john 3:6-10 - No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him, and he cannot keep on sinning because he has been born of God. By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God,

John 8:34 - Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.

Hebrews 10:26 - For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

1 John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Psalms 119:11 - I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Romans 6:11 - So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Rom 7:19 - For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

## REPENTANCE

**Adam Eve** – Gen 3: The woman stared at the fruit. It looked beautiful and tasty. She wanted the wisdom that it would give her, and she ate some of the fruit. Her husband was there with her, so she gave some to him, and he ate it too.<sup>7</sup> Right away they saw what they had done, and they realized they were naked. Then they sewed fig leaves together to make something to cover themselves.<sup>8</sup> Late in the afternoon a breeze began to blow, and the man and woman heard the LORD God walking in the garden. They were frightened and hid behind some trees.

The LORD called out to the man and asked, “Where are you?”<sup>10</sup> The man answered, “I was naked, and when I heard you walking through the garden, I was frightened and hid!”<sup>11</sup> “How did you know you were naked?” God asked. “Did you eat any fruit from that tree in the middle of the garden?”<sup>12</sup> “It was the woman you put here with me,” the man said. “She gave me some of the fruit, and I ate it.”<sup>13</sup> The LORD God then asked the woman, “What have you done?” “The snake tricked me,” she answered. “And I ate some of that fruit.”

**True Repentance** – 1. Owns the offense, 2. Comes clean with confession, 3. Has a broken empty heart, 4. Wants to stop the behavior and make things right

**Jonah** - One day the LORD told Jonah, the son of Amittai,<sup>2</sup> to go to the great city of Nineveh<sup>[a]</sup> and say to the people, “The LORD has seen your terrible sins. You are doomed!”<sup>3</sup> Instead, Jonah ran from the LORD...<sup>17</sup> -The LORD sent a big fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was inside the fish for three days and three nights...

Once again the LORD told Jonah<sup>2</sup> to go to that great city of Nineveh and preach his message of doom.<sup>3</sup> Jonah obeyed the LORD and went to Nineveh... When the king of Nineveh heard what was happening, he also dressed in sackcloth; he left the royal palace and sat in dust.<sup>[a] 7-9</sup> Then he and his officials sent out an order for everyone in the city to obey. It said: None of you or your animals may eat or drink a thing. Each of you must wear sackcloth, and you must even put sackcloth on your animals. You must also pray to the LORD God with all your heart and stop being sinful and cruel. Maybe God will change his mind and have mercy on us, so we won't be destroyed.

Jonah was really upset and angry.<sup>2</sup> So he prayed: Our LORD, I knew from the very beginning that you wouldn't destroy Nineveh. That's why I left my own country and headed for Spain. You are a kind and merciful God, and you are very patient. You always show love, and you don't like to punish anyone, not even foreigners.

<sup>3</sup> Now let me die! I'd be better off dead.<sup>4</sup> The LORD replied, “What right do you have to be angry?” In that city of Nineveh there are more than a hundred twenty thousand people who cannot tell right from wrong, and many cattle are also there. Don't you think I should be concerned about that big city?

**Prodigal son – Luke 15** - Not long after that, the younger son packed up everything he owned and left for a foreign country, where he wasted all his money in wild living. He went to work for a man in that country, and the man sent him out to take care of his pigs.<sup>16</sup> He would have been glad to eat what the pigs were eating, but no one gave him a thing.<sup>17</sup> Finally, he came to his senses and said, “My father’s workers have plenty to eat, and here I am, starving to death!<sup>18</sup> I will go to my father and say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against God in heaven and against you.<sup>19</sup> I am no longer good enough to be called your son. Treat me like one of your workers.’”

**Pharisee and tax coll** –Luke 18:- Jesus told a story to some people who thought they were better than others and who looked down on everyone else:<sup>10</sup> Two men went into the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.<sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood over by himself and prayed, “God, I thank you that I am not greedy, dishonest, and unfaithful in marriage like other people. And I am really glad that I am not like that tax collector over there.<sup>12</sup> I go without eating for two days a week, and I give you one tenth of all I earn.”

<sup>13</sup> The tax collector stood off at a distance and did not think he was good enough even to look up toward heaven. He was so sorry for what he had done that he pounded his chest and prayed, “God, have pity on me! I am such a sinner.”<sup>14</sup> Then Jesus said, “When the two men went home, it was the tax collector and not the Pharisee who was pleasing to God. If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honored.”

**Matt 3:1 - Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."**

**2 Cor 7:10** - Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

Acts 3:19 “Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out.”

Luke 3:8-9 “Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

Acts 2:38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.

Acts 26:19-20 “Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance.”

2 Peter 3:9 “The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.”

Luke 24:47 - It was also written that this message would be proclaimed in the authority of his name to all the nations, beginning in Jerusalem: 'There is forgiveness of sins for all who repent.'

Isaiah 30:15 “This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel, says: “In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it.”

Romans 2:5 “But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God’s wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed.”

Jeremiah 31:19 “After I strayed, I repented; after I came to understand, I beat my breast. I was ashamed and humiliated because I bore the disgrace of my youth.”