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**THE DOCTRINE OF SIN**

**(continued)**

**The Consequences of Sin:**

Sin affect everyone, every place, from God, to all of creation, past, present, and prophetic.

1. Lucifer29: The first to sin, he received the results of his sin, first.
	1. Immediate30 consequences, he lost his title, position, privilege, and power. (Ez. 28:14-15) Devil, deceiver, slanderer, Apollyon, serpent, liar, murderer, Beelzebub, Lord of the flies, dragon…
	2. Future31 consequences. (Mt. 25:41; Rev. 20:10 hell fire, bound for 1000 years, white throne, Lake of Fire.
2. Mankind32: Adams transgression loosed man’s greatest enemies, physical death33 and spiritual death34, they alone are the great separators. Sin will cause men to die physically (Heb. 9:27) and be separated from others, but Sin will also cause men to die spiritually and be separated from God eternally. (Mt. 7:23, 25:41; Rev. 2:11, 20:6, 14, 21:8)

Sin Dulls Man’s Ears (Acts 28:27)

Sin Darkens Man’s Eyes of Understanding (Eph. 4:18)

Sin Diverts Man’s Feet (Is. 53:6)

Sin Defiles Man’s Tongue (Rom. 3:13-14)

Sin Deceives Man’s Heart (Jer. 17:9)

Sin Devours Man’s Intellect (I Cor. 2:14)

Sin Dooms Man’s Never Dying Soul (Ez. 18:4)

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1. Nature35: Paradise lost! The horrible effects of sin and the consequence of sin, curse, sweat of the brow, conception/pain, disease, famine, drought, the effects of earthquakes, volcanoes… (Rom. 8:19-22)
2. Holy Angels36: God would dispatch angels to interact with man (I Cor. 4:9; Gal. 3:19; I Tim. 5:2; Heb. 1:4; I Pt. 1:12)
3. God37: First and foremost, God could no longer rest! He immediately set about a plan to redeem man; that began even before the fall. That is our Lord’s present work (Jn. 15:7, 9:4; Phil. 1:6). Sin in the world affected all of creation.

**The Imputation of Sin:**

We covered under the doctrine of man, the Liberal position, the Pelegian position, Armenian and Augustinian positions.

**The Kinds of Sin:**

The question is often asked “are some sins worse than others?” Sins, plural, come in many different sizes, murders., envy, lust, lying, stealing, sins of omission, and sins of commission. Some sins have more long-lasting impact and some sins affect more people than others. In (James 2:10) we’re told guilty of one, guilty of all. Our Lord’s words in (Lk. 12:47-48) conclude varying rewards and degrees of recompense.

Sins of Ignorance38: (Lk. 23:34; Jn. 19:11; Rom. 2:12; I Tim. 1:12-13)

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Sins of Infirmity39: (Ps. 19:12, 103:10, 14; Mt. 26:41; Rom. 8:26, 14:23)

Sins of Carelessness40: (Deut. 11:16; Ps. 39:1; I Cor. 8:9, 10:12; Heb. 2:1)

Sins of Presumption41: (Ps. 19:13; Rom. 1:32; II Pt. 2:10)

Unpardonable Sin42: (Mt. 12:31-32) Unforgiveable? Unpardonable? What is it? Who can commit it? There are two primary views to consider.

1. This sin can be committed by any unbeliever43, it occurs when persistent rejection of the Holy Spirit’s conviction to believe causes the Holy Spirit to withdraw His invitation, thus no longer drawing men to salvation. The sinner is said to be condemned with no chance to be saved, hopelessly lost with no desire to be saved. Completely without Biblical support.
2. This view sees the context and character without controversy, the sin of ascribing the works of God (Saviour), those miracles He manifested to identify His authority to Satan. This is dispensational in nature in that it applies to the miracles Christ performed while incarnate upon the earth, and thus cannot be committed today. This position is held by the overwhelming majority of Bible believers (Mt. 12:22-24)

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**The Sin Unto Death: (**I Cor. 11:30; I Jn. 5:16)

As with the unpardonable sin there is much controversy, but the most commonly accepted view is that only a child of God42 can commit it. The primary premise is that of a wayward, backslidden and ungodly characters witness is so wicked and worldly a loving Heavenly Father takes that life prematurely removing them from further influence and infection. Like premature birth, this is a premature death, prior to the natural course, it is a form of chastisement and is for a believer43. Evidences to support this theory (Acts. 5:1-11; I Cor. 5:1-5) note: here the Corinthian believer’s repented (II Cor. 2:6-11). Some use this theory as a theological basis for interpreting such difficult passages as (Heb. 6:4-10, 10:26-30).

**Metaphors of Sin:**

Sin is poisonous, like a viper (Ps. 140:3; Mt. 23:33)

Sin is stubborn, like a mule (Job 11:12)

Sin is cruel, like a Bear (Daniel 7:5)

Sin is destructive, like a canker worm (Joel 2:25)

Sin is unclean, like a wild dog (Pr. 26:11)

Sin is cunning, like a fox (Lk. 13:32)

Sin is fierce, like a wolf (Jn. 10:12)

Sin devours, like a lion (Ps. 22:13; Dan. 7:4)

Sin is filthy, like a swine (II Pt. 2:22)

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**The Christians Sin:**

One of the greatest blessings of a sinner’s salvation is what God does with their sins. The repenting sinner is immediately saved from the penalty of sin44 (in the past), empowered by the Holy Spirit to be victorious over the power of sin45 (in the present), and guaranteed to be removed from the presence of sin46 (in the future). But what happens if a Christian fails to use that power and abiding presence to resist sin, and falls to sin? How does God view sin in a saved person’s life? Is it possible to live from the cross to the crown without sin? How does sin effect the save?

**The Reality of Sin:**

John mentions three false claims which were made in his day (I Jn. 1:8‑10) v:8 speaks of denying the presence of the principle of sin, v:9 speaks of denial of particular sins, v:10 speaks of denial concerning personal sins. These do not eliminate the reality we find present in scripture.

**The Impact of Sin:**

The child of God immediately loses six things upon sinning, and yet a seventh may be lost.

1. The loss of light47 (I Jn. 1:6)
2. The loss of joy48 (Ps. 51:12; Jn. 15:11; Gal. 5:22; I Jn. 1:4)
3. The loss of Peace49
4. The loss of love50 (I Jn. 2:5, 15-17, 4:12)
5. The loss of fellowship51 (I Jn. 1:3, 6, 7)
6. The loss of confidence52 (I Jn. 3:19-22)
7. The loss of health and even physical life53 (I Cor. 11:30)