

Sin2—Dealing with Your Sin

I. Introduction

- A. How can the short-term vs the long-term results of sin be deceptive?
- B. How do you feel about sin?
- C. How does God feel about sin? Why?
- D. How many of us have sinned and still sin after we are saved?

II. Scripture

A. **Hate Sin**, Help Sinners.

- **Pro. 8:13**—"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate."
- **Lev. 19:17**—"Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him."
- **Rom. 12:9**—"Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good."
- **Psa. 101:3**—"I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me."
- **Heb. 3:13**—"But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."
- **1Th. 5:14**—"Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men."

B. **Resist Sin**, Satan, the World System, and our Fleshly Nature.

- **James 4:7**—"Resist the Devil, and he will flee from you."
- **1Pe. 5:9**—"Whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world."
- **Eph. 6:13**—"Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."
- **1Co. 10:13**—"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

C. **Repent from Sin**, See it as God Does.

- **Eze. 18:30b**—"Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin."

- **Rev. 2:5**—“Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.”
- **Rev. 3:19**—“As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.”

D. **Confess Sin**, then Forsake It—Say it as God Does.

- **1Jo. 1:9**—“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”
- **Psa. 32:5**—“ I acknowledged my sin unto Thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.”
- **James 5:16**—“Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.”
- **Pro. 28:13**—“He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.”

III. Application

- A. Sin causes guilt, conviction, fear, anger, insecurity, doubt, worry, shame, deception, anxiety, depression, excuses, blame, natural consequences, etc. and the longer sin is left undealt with causes increased judgment and even death (cf. **Rom. 2:15; 3:19; 6:23; James 2:10**). So, we should deal with sin Q _____ to avoid greater consequences.
- B. We should be quick to H _____ sin, R _____ sin, R _____ to God from sin, and C _____ our sin.
- C. Close your eyes, examine yourself for any fondness of sin, change your mind about any unconfessed sin, and silently pray a prayer of confession to God.
- D. Get with someone, share a past sin or current struggle, and pray for each other.