

# DIAGNOSIS



SIN

FACTS ON THE SEVERE EFFECTS OF SIN

# Characterization of the Disease of Sin

Proclaiming that sin is a disease is a description that very few people would consider and even fewer people are able to accept. The fact remains, that when you evaluate the characteristics associated with diseases, sin fits perfectly. **A case in point:**

- DISEASES CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS CONTAGIOUS, SO CAN SIN.
- DISEASES CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS DESTRUCTIVE, SO CAN SIN.
- DISEASES CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS LIFE THREATENING, SO CAN SIN.
- DISEASES CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS DEADLY, SO CAN SIN.
- DISEASES CAN BE CHARACTERIZED AS TREATABLE, SO CAN SIN.

**The book of Proverbs 6:16-19 (MKJV) provides some specific variations of the disease of sin that are quite fatal. It declares;**

- These six things the Lord hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:
  - > A proud look,
  - > A lying tongue,
  - > Hands that shed innocent blood,
  - > A heart that devises wicked plans,
  - > Feet that are swift in running to evil,
  - > A false witness who speaks lies,
  - > And one who sows discord among brethren.
- These variations are more commonly known as the **SEVEN DEADLY SINS**. Specifically, these verses describe **PRIDE, AVARICE, LUST, ANGER, GLUTTONY, ENVY, AND LAZINESS**.

# What is Sin?

- **SIN IS THE TRANSGRESSION OF A DIVINE COMMAND.** 1 John 3:4 tells us that; "Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.."
- **SIN IS INIQUITY OR IS AN ACT THAT IS INHERENTLY WRONG.**
- **SIN IS THE FAILURE TO ATTAIN THE DIVINE STANDARD.** Paul said in Romans 3:23; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- **SIN IS "TRESPASSING" OR INTRUDING ON THE WILL OF GOD WITH OUR SELF-WILL.**
- **SIN IS UNGODLINESS.**
- **SIN IS FAILING TO DO WHAT WE KNOW TO DO.**
- **ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS IS SIN.**
- **SIN IS UNBELIEF.** Jesus rendered specific words in John 8:24 about sin and unbelief by saying; "Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."

# The Attributes of Sin

- SIN IS A LIE
- SIN IS A DELUSION
- SIN IS DARKNESS
- SIN IS SEPARATION
- SIN IS PERVERSION
- SIN IS SERVITUDE
- SIN IS EMPTINESS
- SIN IS A MISTAKE
- SIN RENDERS THE SOUL GUILTY BEFORE GOD
- SIN PRODUCES A STATE OF WICKEDNESS
- SIN RUINS LIFE AND HOPE
- SIN RESULTS IN DISTORTION
- SIN DEFILES THE SOUL
- SIN ENSNARES THE SOUL

## The Extent of the Disease of Sin

There are diseases which affect a small area, while others affect a larger area. The **DISEASE OF SIN affects a large area because it is a UNIVERSAL DISEASE.** That means:

- ◉ **SIN IS A COMMON DISEASE**
- ◉ **SIN IS A GENERAL DISEASE**
- ◉ **SIN IS A WIDESPREAD DISEASE**
- ◉ **SIN IS A WORLDWIDE DISEASE**

**SIN IS A UNIVERSAL DISEASE** because:

- ◉ **IT HAS NO PREFERENCES OR PREJUDICES**
- ◉ **IT AFFECTS EVERY CONTINENT, EVERY COUNTRY, EVERY NATION, EVERY RELIGION, AND EVERY GENDER**
- ◉ **IT PLAYS NO FAVORITES**

# The Effects That Sin Has On People

The effects that sin has on people are enumerable. However, we want to focus on three particular effects.

- The first effect of **SIN** is that it **RESULTS IN A DISTORTED VIEW OF SPIRITUAL THINGS OR BLINDS THE PERSON ENTIRELY.**
- The second effect of **SIN** is that it **CORRUPTS THE SOUL.**
- The third and final effect of **SIN** is that it **HARDENS THE CONSCIENCE.** Put another way, **SIN DESENSITIZES OR NUMBS A PERSON'S VIEW OF RIGHT AND WRONG, GOOD AND EVIL, AND GUILT AND INNOCENCE.**
- A person who is afflicted with the disease of sin has no sense of remorse or compassion when they have knowingly committed an illegal, immoral, or ill-conceived act.

## Personality Traits Present in People Infected by the Disease of Sin

- > They have a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting;
- > They are filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness;
- > They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness;
- > They are whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things,
- > They are disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful;
- > They know the righteous judgment of God, but practice such things that are deserving of death,
- > They not only do those things that bring God's judgment, but also approve of those who practice them.



# Consequences Of Prolonged Exposure To Sin

As with any disease, the consequences of the acquisition or prolonged exposure to that disease must be specified. There are four principal consequences to prolonged exposure to sin.

- **SIN RESULTS IN CONDEMNATION.** John 3:18-19 renders these words from Jesus; "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
- **SIN RESULTS IN DESTRUCTION.** The book of 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9 specifically **states**; "in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,
- **SIN RESULTS IN EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT.** In Matthew 25:46 Jesus describes what will become of those who die from the disease of sin by saying "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."
- **SIN RESULTS IN DEATH.** Paul explicitly says in Romans 6:23; "**FOR THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.**"

# Treatment For The Disease of Sin

The good news about the disease of sin is that it is a treatable disease. There is only one prescription on the market that cures sin and that prescription is supplied by God.

Isaiah describes what the prescribed medication had to do to rid us of the disease of sin. It tells us in Isaiah 53:4-6, **"SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS, AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS; YET WE DID ESTEEM HIM STRICKEN, SMITTEN OF GOD, AND AFFLICTED. BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS, HE WAS BRUISED FOR OUR INIQUITIES: THE CHASTISEMENT OF OUR PEACE WAS UPON HIM: AND WITH HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED."**

**THE PRESCRIPTION THAT GOD GIVES FOR CURING THE DISEASE OF SIN IS JESUS CHRIST.**

**“AND I WILL CLEANSE THEM FROM ALL THEIR  
INIQUITY WHEREBY THEY HAVE SINNED  
AGAINST ME; AND I WILL PARDON ALL THEIR  
INIQUITIES WHEREBY THEY HAVE SINNED,  
AND WHEREBY THEY HAVE TRANSGRESSED  
AGAINST ME.”**

**(Jeremiah 33:8)**



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**RECEIVE THE CURE FOR THE DISEASE OF SIN  
RIGHT NOW  
JUST FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE INSTRUCTIONS:**

# 1. Offer This Personal Prayer

- Father God, be merciful to me a sinner!'Let your face be turned from my wrongdoing, and take away all my sins. I'm sorry, Lord. According to Your loving-kindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Please, cure me and rid me of this sin-sickness that has separated me from being one with you. Deliver me from the ways and works of sin and bring me into the ways and works of salvation. This prayer I offer in the name of Jesus, Amen.

## 2. Make This Statement Acknowledging Jesus and Accepting Him Into Your Life

- I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in my heart that God has raised Him from the dead. Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame. Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Jesus is able to save those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. We have a friend and helper with the Father, Jesus the Christ. He is the offering not only for my sins, but for all the world.

### **3. Congratulations and All Glory Be To God!!!**

- Welcome to the family of persons saved in Jesus Christ!!! Please ask God to lead you to a local church where you can worship the triune person of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, in spirit and in truth.**



**"LIKEWISE, I SAY TO YOU, THERE IS JOY IN THE PRESENCE OF  
THE ANGELS OF GOD OVER ONE SINNER WHO REPENTS."  
(LUKE 15:10 MKJV)**



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