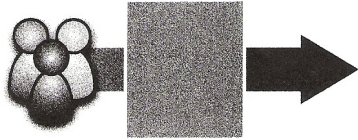


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God's Goal: To conform us to the image of His Son.



If we want to overcome sin we must...

Know our _____.

Understand _____ sin is and _____ it effects us.

Understand how _____ sin is.

If we underestimate our enemy we will....

_____ our ability to manage sin.

Adopt solutions that _____ and

_____ the solution that does work.

We will make the problem _____.

Change our _____ about sin.

The problem is far _____ than we imagine.

The clue: God is very, very _____

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness.

Romans 1.18

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Romans 3.9-18

- No one righteous, not even one.
- No one does good, not even one.
- No one understands.
- All are guilty.
- No one seeks God.
- All are condemned.
- All have turned away.
- All die.
- All have become worthless.

Paul's radical insight

What is sin?

Popular assumption

Sin is any _____ that violates a standard.

We believe that....

Humans are basically _____.

Sin is an _____ influence.

We can _____ sin.

_____ + _____ + A little _____ from God =

A more _____ me.

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Paul's radical insight - cont.

What is sin?

The Bible says that sin is a _____.
(Romans 6.6; 16-17)

General observations about slave masters

- Slaves are under the _____ of the master.
- A slave does what his master _____.
- Slaves do not serve _____.

Popular assumption

We believe that we are born _____, and only become sinners once we actually sin.

The Bible says that we are _____ sinners.
(Psalm 51.5; Romans 5.12)

- We are sinners by _____.
- We aren't sinners because we _____, we sin because we are _____.
- When we sin we are doing what comes _____.

Popular assumption

We believe that we can _____ sin (Romans 7.16,18,19)

The Bible says that

- We don't _____ sin, sin _____ us.
- We are _____ to escape from Master Sin.

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- Sin _____ us.

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned.
Romans 5.12

- Sin _____ us.

But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of covetous desire....Sin...deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death.
Romans 7.8,11

- Sin _____ us.

For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.
Romans 1.21

Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more.
Ephesians 4.19

- Sin _____ us

...haters of God... (Romans 1.30)

....we were God's enemies.... (Romans 5.10)

The sinful mind is hostile to God. (Romans 8.7)

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. (Colossians 1.21)