

Freedom in Christ, Freedom from Sin

Romans 6:18 “You have been freed from Sin”



Sin Defined - Today

“An immoral act considered to be a transgression against divine law.”

“An act regarded as a serious or regrettable fault, offense, or omission.”

“A sin is any thought or action that falls short of God’s will. God is perfect, and anything we do that falls short of His perfection is sin.”

Sin Defined - In Hebrew/Greek

Greek word for Sin: Hamartia (ἁμαρτία)

Hebrew word for Sin: הָטָא (hatah), חָטָא (chet), חַטָּא (chata)

An Archery term translated as:

“miss” “miss the target” or “fall short”

Sin: Missing The Mark

Which arrow hit the mark? Which are “sins”?



How We See Sins...

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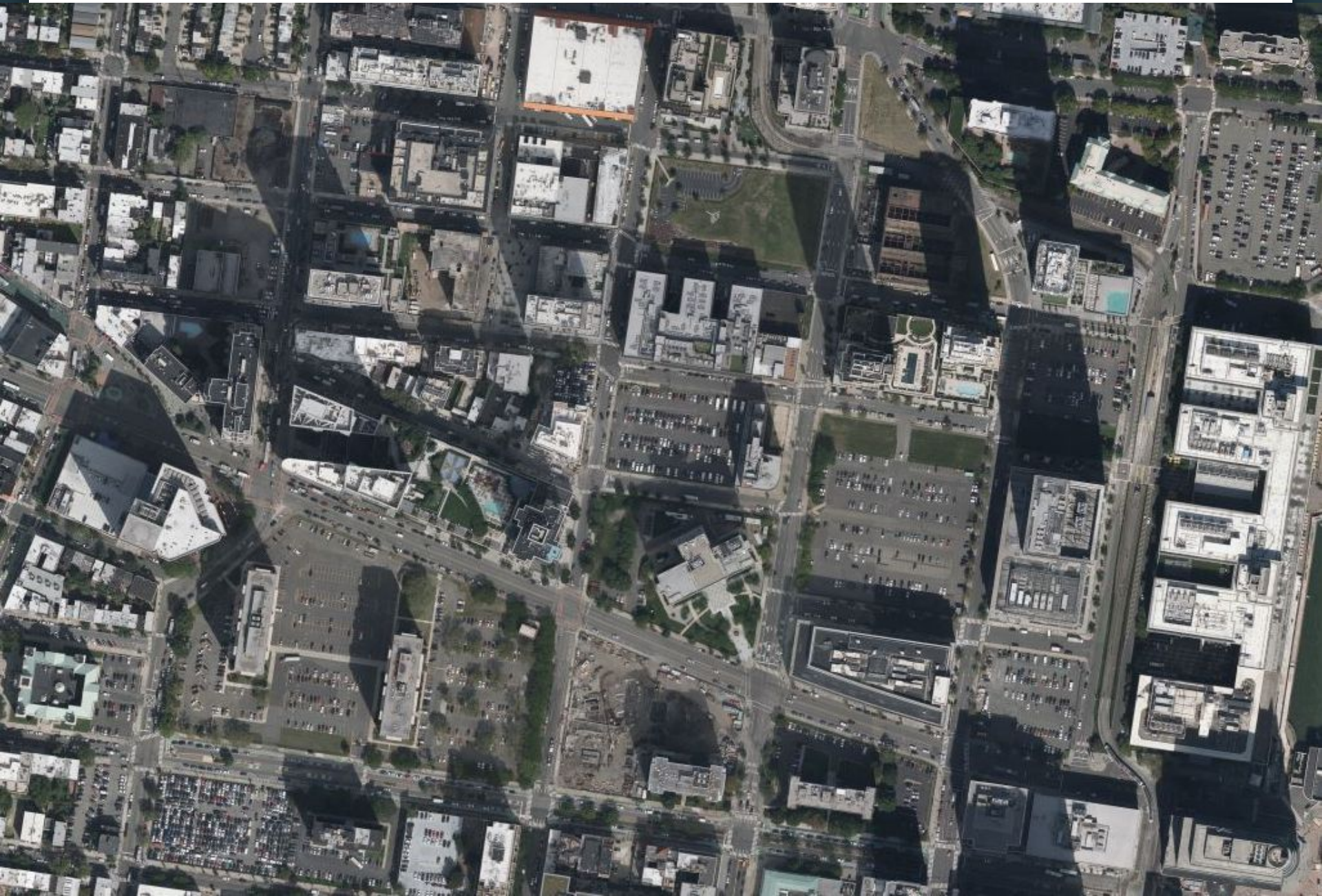
Stealing

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**Murder &
Adultery**



How God Sees Sins



Is Sin A Big Deal?

Sin/sins/sinned/sinful/iniquity and related terms are mentioned in the bible over 1,000 times

33 Different words for “sin” in Hebrew/Greek

Is Sin A Big Deal?

Proverbs 6:16-19 An abomination that the Lord hates

Luke 16:15 Detestable

Psalms 11:5 The Lord hates wickedness

Hosea 9:15 God Hates Evil

Isaiah 59:2 God hates sin and it creates separation from Him

Psalms 97:10 We should hate evil

Romans 12:9 We need to Abhor evil

Revelation 2:6 God Hates the works of the Nicolaitans

Is Sin A Big Deal?

Sin is “missing the mark”

Sin Is sin, no matter how big or small we think it is

Sin: Romans 5

Romans 5:1-21

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still **sinners**, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

12 Therefore, just as through one man **sin** entered the world, and death through **sin**, and thus death spread to all men, because all **sinned**— 13 (For until the law **sin** was in the world, but **sin** is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15 But the free **gift** is not like the offense. For if by the one man's **offense** many died, much more the grace of God and the **gift** by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. 16 And the **gift** is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one **offense** resulted in condemnation, but the free **gift** which came from many **offenses** resulted in justification. 17 For if by the one man's **offense** death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the **gift** of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.)

18 Therefore, as through one man's **offense** judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free **gift** came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as by one man's **disobedience** many were made **sinners**, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered that the **offense** might abound. But where **sin** abounded, grace abounded much more, 21 so that as **sin** reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Sin: Romans 6

Romans 6:1-23

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in **sin** that grace may abound? 2 Certainly not! How shall we who died to **sin** live any longer in it? 3 Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of **sin** might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of **sin**. 7 For he who has died has been freed from **sin**. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to **sin** once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to **sin**, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

12 Therefore do not let **sin** reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. 13 And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to **sin**, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. 14 For **sin** shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

15 What then? Shall we **sin** because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not! 16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of **sin** leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness? 17 But God be thanked that though you were slaves of **sin**, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. 18 **And having been set free from sin**, you became slaves of righteousness. 19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness.

20 For when you were slaves of **sin**, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now having been set free from **sin**, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. 23 **For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Sin: Romans 6

Romans 6:23

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Sin: Romans 7

Romans 7: 1-6

1 Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives? 2 For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband. 3 So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man. 4 Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5 For when we were in the flesh, the **sinful** passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death. 6 But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.

Sin: Romans 8

Romans 8: 1-11

1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in **Christ Jesus has made me free** from the law of **sin** and death. 3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of **sinful** flesh, on account of **sin**: He condemned **sin** in the flesh, 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. 8 So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. 10 And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of **sin**, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Sin: James 1

James 1:12-18

12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. 13 Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am tempted by God”; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. 14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. 15 Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to **sin**; and **sin**, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good **gift** and every perfect **gift** is from above, and comes down from the **Father** of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

Sin: Comparisons

Sin

Romans 5: Death through Sin

Romans 6: Sin = Death

Romans 7: Sin = Death

Romans 8: Law of Sin And Death

James 1: Sin = Death

Christ's Gift

Romans 5: Christ's act = Free gift of life

Romans 6: Gift of God = Eternal life

Romans 7: Law = Good

Romans 8: Spirit = Life

James 1: Gifts from the Father

Application

- God Hates Sin
- We should hate sin as well
- If we want to live for Christ and have Eternal Life, we have to put off sin.
- Pray often for guidance and help.
- Think before you act.
- Repent if you “miss the mark”.
- Strive to do a little better each day!

Invitation

Hear the Word and Believe in Christ

John 6:29

Stop Sinning / Repent / Die to sin

1 Peter 2:24

Confess your belief in Christ

Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized, have your **sins** washed away,
accept the **gift**

Acts 2:38

Continue to live, striving to turn away from Sin,
enduring with Christ so we can live with Him

2 Timothy 2:11-12

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...For if we died
with Him,
We shall also live
with Him.

If we endure,
We shall also reign
with Him.

If we deny Him,
He also will deny
us.