



Church Without Walls

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

FOR THE LOVE OF
GOD
MINISTRIES

“SIN”

Psalms 32

A psalm of David.

Oh, what joy for those whose rebellion is forgiven,
whose sin is put out of sight! Yes, what joy for those
whose record the LORD has cleared of sin,
whose lives are lived in complete honesty!

When I refused to confess my sin, I was weak and
miserable, and I groaned all day long
Day and night your hand of discipline was heavy on me.
My strength evaporated like water in the summer heat.

Interlude

Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped
trying to hide them. I said to myself, "I will confess my
rebellion to the LORD." And you forgave me!

All my guilt is gone.

Interlude

Therefore, let all the godly confess their rebellion
to you while there is time, that they may not drown
in the floodwaters of judgment.

For you are my hiding place;
you protect me from trouble.

You surround me with songs of victory.

Interlude

The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best
pathway for your life.

I will advise you and watch over you.

Do not be like a senseless horse or mule
that needs a bit and bridle to keep it under control."

Many sorrows come to the wicked,
but unfailing love surrounds those who trust the LORD.
So rejoice in the LORD and be glad, all you who obey
him!

Shout for joy, all you whose hearts are pure!

NLT

Sin! A very small three letter word that carries with it eternal consequences. The presence or absence of it determines our destiny. Will our eternity be spent in Heaven with God, or in Hell with the devil and his angels? For those who doubt that there is a hell read what Jesus has to say about this place. Matthew 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: NKJV

Webster's Dictionary

sin \ˈsɪn\ *n* **1** : an offense esp. against God **2** : FAULT **3** : a weakened state of human nature in which the self is estranged from God

transgress \tranz-ˈɡres, tranz-\ *vb* **1** : to go beyond the limits set by <~ the divine law> **2** : to go beyond : EXCEED **3** : SIN — **transgression** \-ˈɡre-shən\ *n* — **transgressor** \-ˈɡre-sər\ *n* .

iniquity \i-ˈni-kwə-ti\ *n, pl -ties* **1** : WICKEDNESS **2** : a wicked act

Bamford's Bible Dictionary

Sin - Anything that we do or don't do that God does not approve of.

Transgression - Sin, a violation of the law through ignorance.

Iniquity - Sin, "not fair", a great injustice

In the New King James Version these words can be found numerous times indicating they are important to God.

Sin 446 times

Sins 197

Sin	446 times
Sins	197 times
Transgression	44 times
Transgressions	50 times
Iniquity	241 times
Iniquities	53 times

Not once was the term or phrase “Alternative Life Style” found. In the garden of Eden Satan deceived Eve with enticing words and today he entices people in false religions with deceptive words. Do not be deceived people, there is a price to pay for sins.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. NKJV
The death that is mentioned here is not the death that all humans experience but the second death which is the eternal separation from God and is the place where Satan and his angels are going to be cast.

Revelation 20:10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast (antichrist) and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. NKJV

Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, NKJV

This verse of Scripture tells us that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, from Adam to the newest born babe today. This includes you and me.

I have often used the illustration of a coin and the fact that a coin has two sides to it. Sin is the tails side of a coin and that tells us that there is a heads side and it is the more important feature of the coin.

GRACE!

Grace is the picture of our Lord, our Savior, our Redeemer. His picture is on the heads side of this coin.

Let's take a closer look at this personage through the Word of God, through the Most Holy Scriptures.

John 14:6, Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. NLT

The Bible will always confirm itself. In the Book of Acts the apostle Peter writes these important words as he speaks to the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

Acts 4:12 There is salvation in no one else! There is no other name in all of heaven for people to call on to save them." NLT

Your religion cannot save you! Your pastor or priest cannot save you! Baptism or being sprinkled with water cannot save you. You cannot save yourself! Only in calling on the Name of Jesus, repenting (turn away from) of your sins and asking Him to forgive you of your sins can you be allowed into heaven.

Ephesians 2:8-10, God saved you by his special favor when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it. For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so that we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. NLT

Pay special attention to the words in the above Scripture, God saved you by his special favor when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

Bamford;s Bible dictionary defines the word Grace, as:

***Grace - Unmerited favor from God.
(GRACE - God's Riches At Christ's Expense).***

Romans 5:20 But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. NKJV

God's mercy and compassion are never more evident than at the Cross of Calvary. Jesus took on the sins of all mankind. It was here at the cross that through His death, burial and resurrection Jesus reconciled God and man. Two thieves were crucified with Christ at the same time. One cursed Him and rejected Him. The other said, Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise." Luke 23:42

The one who rejected Christ pronounced his own destiny and hence he will spend eternity in the lake of fire. The other thief acknowledged that Jesus was Lord and that He had a Kingdom and he will spend eternity with Jesus in this Kingdom.

For the sake of your soul I recommend that you read the following verses of Scripture and meditate on them. Ask the Most Holy Spirit to reveal the truths that are written therein.

John 3:16–21 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn it, but to save it. "There is no judgment awaiting those who trust him. But those who do not trust him have already been judged for not believing in the only Son of God. Their judgment is based on this fact: The light from heaven came into the world, but they loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. They hate the light because they want to sin in the darkness. They stay away from the light for fear their sins will be exposed and they will be punished. But those who do what is right come to the light gladly, so everyone can see that they are doing what God wants." NLT

From these words you can readily see that it is not your sins that will condemn you to the pit but the rejection of the Son of God.

On October 2nd 1984 at 9:35 AM my wife and I consciously got to our knees, held hands and asked the Lord Jesus to be the Lord of our lives. We asked Him to forgive us of our sins, to take over our marriage and to direct our lives. No religion or church was involved, only us and the Lord who hears and knows our every word. I can attest to His faithfulness for He answered our every prayer and our lives were completely and totally changed from that moment on. On more than one occasion I have declared to the Lord that I would not change one second of my new life for all the years that I had previous to that time.

2 Corinthians 6:1

As God's partners, we beg you not to reject this marvelous message of God's great kindness. For God says,

"At just the right time, I heard you.
On the day of salvation, I helped you."

Indeed, God is ready to help you right now. Today is the day of salvation.

Most Beautiful and Gracious Father,

Thank you with a grateful heart for the precious gift of salvation. Today we live in fearful and trying times. Danger lurks where once peace stood at the front. A trip to the super market or to a gas station can often bring us into situations that we would rather not be in. Terrorists and suicidal people now dwell in even the most obscure places in the world. Without Christ there is no hope for multitudes of people. Despair and hopelessness is the norm rather than the exception. Father, the Scriptures tell us that the harvest is plentiful but that the laborers are few and that we are to ask the Lord of the Harvest to raise up laborers. Father, this is my fervent and sincere prayer, please raise up an army of laborers to infiltrate every corner of this planet and may they be given wisdom and knowledge that is beyond any that they have had in the natural. May the ministering angels be assigned to these laborers to protect and guide them and keep them from harms way. May their spiritual, physical and financial needs be provided for as they reach out to a lost and dying world. Father, I ask that you protect our military personal that are stationed in the worlds hot spots and may the leadership be blessed as well as the families of each and every warrior. Thank you Father!

*Your Loving Son
Robert*

Judge NOT !

I was shocked, confused, bewildered
as I entered Heaven's door,
Not by the beauty of it all,
by the lights or its decor.

But it was the folks in Heaven
who made me sputter and gasp--
the thieves, the liars, the sinners,
the alcoholics, the trash.

There stood the kid from seventh grade
who swiped my lunch money twice.
Next to him was my old neighbor
who never said anything nice.

Herb, who I always thought
was rotting away in hell,
was sitting pretty on cloud nine,
looking incredibly well.

I nudged Jesus, "What's the deal?
I would love to hear Your take.
How'd all these sinners get up here?
God must've made a mistake.

And why's everyone so quiet,
so somber? Give me a clue."
"Hush, child," said He. "They're all in shock.
No one thought they'd see you."

Judge NOT...

smile

RETARDED GRANDPARENTS

After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school.

One child wrote the following:

We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Florida . Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass. They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore.

They go to a building called a wreck center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, they do exercises there, but they don't do them very well.

There is a swimming pool too, but they all jump up and down in it with hats on.

At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night --- early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center for pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out, so they can visit their grandchildren.

Proverbs 17:22

A merry heart does good,
like medicine,
But a broken spirit dries the
bones.

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