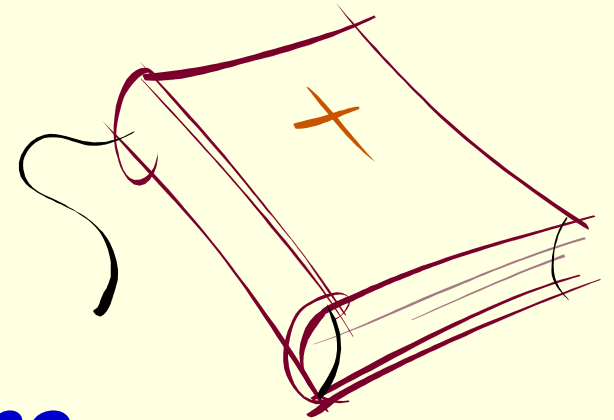

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Consistency of Scripture

- **2 Chronicles 6:36**, “...*for there is no man which sinneth not...*”
- **Psalms 143:2**, “...*in thy sight shall no man living be justified.*”
- **Romans 3:23**, “*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.*”



The Greatest in Scripture Sinned

- **Except One, Jesus Christ**
 - **Hebrews 4:15**, *“For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.”*
 - **1 Peter 2:22**, *“...Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth...”*



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■ **Noah became drunken**

■ **Genesis 9:20-21**



■ **Abraham lied twice**

■ **Genesis 12:10-20, 20:1-18**



■ **Moses disobeyed God**

■ **Numbers 20:7-12**

■ **David committed adultery; had Uriah killed**

■ **2 Samuel 11**

■ **Peter denied Jesus and lied**

■ **Matthew 26:69-75**



Not Able to Live Perfect Life Could...

1. Cause us to make excuses for our sins

- “Well, nobody is perfect.”
- “Everybody is doing it.”



■ Cause us to make excuses for giving up

- “It’s no use, the temptations are too strong.”
- “I can’t do it, I’ve given in to sin too often.”

■ Help us to FACE OUR SINS

- “It’s tough but I can make it with God’s help”
- He said, *“I’ll never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”* (Hebrews 13:5)

Face Sin: Must Develop Meekness

- **Many deny sins in their lives**

- **2 Samuel 12:1-14, David did**

- **God knows**

- **Proverbs 15:3, “The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.”**
- **Hebrews 4:13, “...all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him...”**

- **Admit and confess sins**

- **1 John 1:9, “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”**



Face Sin: See Other's Sins Differently

- **Can't condone our sins & condemn others**
 - *"I make mistakes, my brother sins!"*
 - *"I could see my faults if I had any!"*
- **Must not judge others incorrectly**
 - **Matthew 7:1-5**, Mote and the Beam
 - **2 Corinthians 13:5**, *"Examine yourselves..."*
- **Forgiveness of sins, a two sided matter**
 - **Matthew 6:14-15**, *"...if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."*



Face Sin: Don't Think to Highly Others

■ Remember:

- Romans 3:23, *"..all have sinned..."*
- 1 Peter 1:22, *"Jesus who did not sin"*

■ Follow men only when they follow Jesus

- 1 Corinthians 11:1, *"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ."*

■ Eventually all fall from God's saving grace

- Preachers, Elders, Members
- 2 Peter 2:20-21, If we follow man, we return to the pollutions of the world



Face Sin: Realize Dependence on God

- **Dependence on God's grace & mercy**
 - **Romans 3:24**, *“Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption in Christ Jesus”*
 - **Titus 2:11-12**, *“...the grace of God that bringeth salvation...Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world...”*
 - **1 Corinthians 15:10**, *“by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain...”*



Face Sin: Cultivate Our Character

■ Be careful where ye walk

- Ephesians 5:15-16, *“walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time...”*
- Philippians 2:12, *“...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling...”*

■ Cultivate Confidence, Avoid Despair

- Acts 2:38, Jews on Pentecost
- Acts 8:22, *“Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.”*



Conclusion: We Are Imperfect!

All Sin



Difference Between a Christian & a Sinner...

- One responds to his sins; one does not
- One repents of his sins; one refuses
- One loathes sins; one denies sins
- One rebels against sin; one wallows in it

Psalm 19

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