

# The Bible's Position on Sin

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## **I. Adam and all who were in him are sinners by Adam's original sin**

### **A. The original sin**

**Gen 3:6** ..she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

### **B. The doctrine of 'Original Sin'**

**Rom 5:12** Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

**Rom 5:18** ...by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation...

**Rom 5:19** For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners...

## **II. All who came from Adam are sinners by their very nature**

### **A. A person does not become a sinner, when he commits his first sin**

### **B. A person commits sin, because he is a sinner by nature**

### **C. Adam's fallen nature was passed on to his offspring**

**Gen 5:3** And Adam...begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image...

**Job 14:4** Who can bring a clean *thing* out of an unclean? not one.

**D. From conception, at birth, and as children—All people are judged to be sinners**

**Psa 51:5** Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

**Psa 58:3** ...they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.

**Gen 8:21** ...for the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth...

**E. We were all children of wrath by our very nature**

**Eph 2:3** ...and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

**III. Sinners by practice**

**A. All are sinners**

**Rom 3:10** ...There is none righteous, no, not one:

**Rom 3:12** ...there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

**B. Sins of the tongue**

**Jas 3:8** But the tongue can no man tame; *it is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

**1. Whisperers—Backbiters—Slanderers—Talebearers—Etc.**

**2. Foolish talk and jesting**

**Eph 5:4** Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting...but rather giving of thanks

**3. Corrupt communications**

**Eph 4:29** Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

**4. Idle words**

**Mat 12:36** But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

**C. Sins of the heart—Deceitfulness—Lust**

**Jer 17:9** The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

**Mat 5:28** But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

**D. Sins of the mind—Anger—Covetousness**

**Mat 5:22** ...whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment...

**Exo 20:17** Thou shalt not covet...

### **E. Sins of omission**

**Jas 4:17** Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

**Mat 25:45** ...Inasmuch as ye did *it* not to one of the least of these, ye did *it* not to me.

**Mat 25:46** And these shall go away into everlasting punishment...

### **F. Jesus' standard**

**Luk 6:27** ...Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

### **G. All are judged to be sinners**

**1Jn 1:8** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us...

**1Jn 1:10** If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar...

### **H. 'Little sinners' are as guilty as 'big sinners'**

**Jas 2:10** For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all.

### **I. A man never ceases to be a sinner**

**Rom 7:19** For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

**Rom 7:24** O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

### **J. All are guilty**

**Rom 3:19** Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

**Rom 3:20** Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.

## **IV. Man is antagonistic and hostile toward recovering himself by his own will**

### **A. An unborn again natural man has no will to come to God (He has no 'want to')**

**Joh 5:40** And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

#### **1. An unborn again natural man is a hater of God**

**Rom 1:30** ...haters of God...

#### **2. An unborn again natural mind thinks of God as an enemy**

**Rom 8:7** Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God...

#### **3. An unborn again natural man has no fear of God**

**Rom 3:18** There is no fear of God before their eyes.

#### **4. An unborn natural man will not seek the God that he does not think about**

**Psa 10:4** The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God*: God is not in all his thoughts.

**5. Things of the spiritual realm seem foolish to an unborn again natural man**

**1Co 2:14** But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him...

**B. What would motivate a man who thinks like this to come to God?**

**Rom 9:16** So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

**V. Man is impotent to recover himself by his own ability**

**A. Unborn again natural man has no ability to come to God (He has no ‘can do’)**

**Joh 6:44** No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...

**1. An unborn again natural man cannot know spiritual things**

**1Co 2:14** But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God...neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

**2. An unborn again natural man cannot understand**

**Rom 3:11** There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

**3. An unborn again natural man cannot hear**

**Joh 8:43** Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.

**4. An unborn again natural man cannot see**

**Joh 3:3** ...Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

**5. An unborn again natural man cannot enter**

**Joh 3:5** ...Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

**6. An unborn again natural man cannot believe**

**Joh 10:26** But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep...

**Joh 12:39** Therefore they could not believe...

**7. An unborn again natural man cannot please God**

**Heb 11:6** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*...

**8. An unborn again natural man cannot cease from sin**

**2Pe 2:14** Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin...

**9. An unborn again natural man cannot be subject to God**

**Rom 8:7** ...the carnal mind...is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

**10. An unborn again natural man cannot be converted**

**Joh 12:40** He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with *their* eyes, nor understand with *their* heart, and be converted...

**11. An unborn again natural ‘cannot’ cannot become a spiritual ‘can’**

**Jer 13:23** Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? *then* may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.

**B. How can an unborn again natural man (with all these ‘cannots’) come to God?**

**VI. New Testament analogies of how men get spiritual life eliminate man helping**

**A. The Bible likens regeneration to a birth**

**Joh 3:8** The wind bloweth where it listeth...so is every one that is born of the Spirit

—Can a man cause his own birth? —What did you do before you were you?

**B. The Bible likens regeneration to a resurrection from the dead**

**Eph 2:1** And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

**Joh 5:25** ...The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

—Can the dead raise himself? —How dead is dead?

**C. The Bible likens regeneration to a new creation**

**2Co 5:17** Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature...

—Can the uncreated create himself? —Did Adam help God create Adam?