

## 08. "Sin"

**"Not conforming to, or transgressing the Divine law of God" (1 John 3:4)**

*"Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is **lawlessness**." (1 John 3:4 NKJV)*

With the exception of Jesus Christ, no man or woman has ever lived without sin. Scripture is very clear on this issue. The sin nature is in constant battle with the new nature.

*"For there is not a just man on earth who does good and does not sin." (Ecclesiastes 7:20 NKJV)*

Every sin is an offense against God. He alone is our moral Governor and judge. Sin is always, by its nature, vile and polluting, and justly deserving of punishment. Sin carries with it two constant characteristics: (1) guilt and (2) pollution.

**Kinds of Sin****1. Presumption**

***Willfully premeditated, defiant rebellion against God.***

**2. Ignorance**

***Unconsciously committed sin (Psalm 19:12).***

**3. Commission**

***Does not intend to do evil - does not come from an insolent attitude. It is, however a deliberate act.***

**4. Omission**

***Failing (omitting) to do what is right.***

The issue of sin is always a heart issue. Guilt and pollution reside in the heart.

*(Daniel 1:8 NKJV) "But Daniel purposed **in his heart** that **he would not defile himself** with the portion of the king's delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself."*

*(Hebrews 3:7-8 NKJV) "Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you will hear His voice, {8} **Do not harden your hearts** as in the rebellion, In the day of trial in the wilderness,"*

**BUZZ WORDS**

1. Lawlessness
2. Guilt and pollution

Notice the connection: sin and hardened hearts