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What is Sin?

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Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.

Genesis 3:1-6

Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.' "

"You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman.

"For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

What Sin Does

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Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Ephesians 2:1-3

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions
and sins,

in which you used to live when you followed the ways
of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom
of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those
who are disobedient.

All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying
the cravings of our sinful nature and following its
desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by
nature objects of wrath.

Hebrews 10:26-27

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left,

but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

1 Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1 John 5:19

We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one.

Romans 14:11-12

It is written: " 'As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will confess to God.' "

So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.

2 Corinthians 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Everybody Has the Problem

Romans 3:10-12

As it is written: "There is no one righteous,
not even one;

there is no one who understands, no one
who seeks God.

All have turned away, they have together
become worthless; there is no one who does
good, not even one."

Romans 3:20-23

Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

The Only Solution
to the Problem

Romans 3:23-24

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
and are justified freely by his grace through the
redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Luke 5:31-32

Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick.

I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am
gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest
for your souls.

For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.