

SIN, THE GREAT SEPARATOR

Isaiah 59:1-2

Sin Separates Man From God Isa. 59:1-2; 1 Pet. 3:12

- ▣ It separates us from God in this life.
Gen. 3:23-24
 - Man not born away from God. Ezek. 18:20;
1 John 3:4 "Every one that doeth sin doeth also lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness."
- ▣ It separates us from God in eternity.
Mt. 25:30, 41, 46
- ▣ Sin is incompatible with God.
2 Cor. 6:14ff
- ▣ Israel. Josh. 7:10ff; Deut. 31:17-18
- ▣ Judah. Isa. 1:1-4; 59:1-2

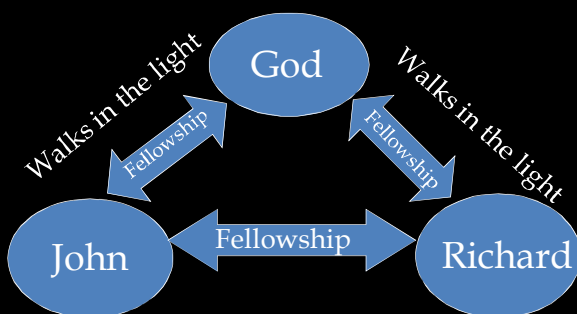
Sin Separates Us From The Church

- ▣ Ananias and Sapphira in Jerusalem.
Acts 5:1-11
- ▣ Discipline. Rom. 16:17;
1 Cor. 5:1,11,13; 2 Thess. 3:6, 14-15

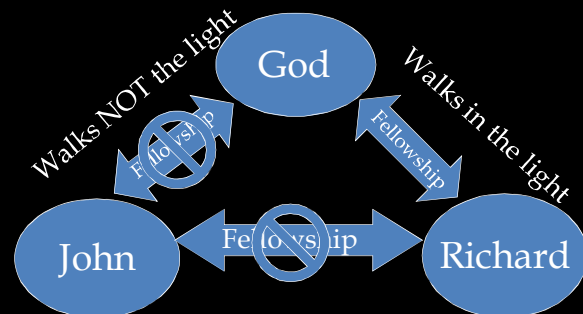
Sin Separates Brethren Proverbs 6:19

- ▣ Abraham and Lot. Gen. 13:8
- ▣ Israel and Judah. 1 Kings 12
- ▣ Corinth. 1 Cor. 1:10; 11:17ff; 12:12ff
- ▣ Philippi. Phil. 2:2ff; 4:2ff
- ▣ Circumcision of Gentiles. Acts 15; Gal. 2:5:15
- ▣ Diotrephes. 3 John

Foundation of Fellowship 1 John 1:3-7; 1 Corinthians 1:9



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Separates The Righteous From The Wicked

▣ RIGHTEOUSNESS...

Rom. 2:7.. "to them that by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and incorruption, eternal life:"

▣ WICKEDNESS...

Rom. 2:8.. "...unto them that are factious, and obey not the truth, but obey unrighteousness, shall be wrath and indignation, tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that worketh evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Greek:"

Separates From Heaven Revelation 21:27

▣ Then the Great Judge *"shall separate them one from another."* Matthew 25:32

▣ *"... Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:"* Matthew 25:34

▣ *"...Depart from me, ye cursed, into the eternal fire which is prepared for the devil and his angels."* Matthew 25:41

▣ *"... And these shall go away into eternal punishment: but the righteous into eternal life."* Matthew 25:46

But Sin Is A Choice!!! Josh. 24:15; 1 Kings 18:20

Romans 6:16-18

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye present yourselves (as) servants unto obedience, his servants ye are whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But thanks be to God, that, whereas ye were servants of sin, ye became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching whereunto ye were delivered;

18 and being made free from sin, ye became servants of righteousness.

The Judgment of Sin

▣ Righteous, *Acts 17:31; Romans 2:2, 5*

▣ God is just to bring wrath against sinners, *Romans 3:5-8*

▣ God has provided & revealed salvation for all sinners, *2 Peter 3:9*

▣ Loves & provides escape, *Romans 5:6-11*

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Sinners Can Be Saved

▣ No sinner has to remain in sin and death

▣ Seek & find God, *Acts 17:27-28*

▣ Mercy is offered to all!
Romans 11:30-32

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The Savior

Luke 19:10; Matthew 20:28

▣ The just for the unjust, *1 Peter 3:18*

▣ In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, *2 Cor. 5:18-21*

▣ World alienated from God due to sin

▣ The word of reconciliation (gospel) commands: *"Be reconciled to God"* (*2 Cor. 5:20*)

▣ Jesus completely saves, *Hebrews 7:25*

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The Remedy For Sin

- ▣ The Blood of Christ. Mt. 26:28; Heb. 9:11-12; 1 John 1:7; Revelation 1:5
- ▣ Remedy must be applied. Heb. 5:9; Rom. 10:17; Heb. 11:6; 2 Pet. 3:9; Rom. 10:10; Acts 2:38; 1 Cor. 15:58

Consequence: Eternally Lost

- ▣ If the consequences of sin were limited to this present world... It would be bad enough
- ▣ If it only affected the body and had no power over the soul ... It would be bad enough