

Three Things Sin Will Do! 2 Samuel 11-12:23

Sin Has Many Dangers!

- It is **transgression of God's law!**

- 1 John 3:4; 5:17

- It is **deadly!**

- Romans 6:23

- It is **deceptive!**

- Hebrews 3:13

- It is **pleasurable!**

- Hebrews 11:24-27

- It is **universal!**

- Romans 3:23

SIN – *harmartia* (Gk) – 1. (a) to be without a share in; (b) **to miss the mark**; (c) to err, be mistaken; (d) to miss or wander from the path of uprightness and honor, to do or go wrong; (e) to wander from the law of God, violate God's law, sin; 2. that which is done wrong, sin, an offence, a violation of the divine law in thought or in act. - **Strong**

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- **Sears the Conscience!**

- 1 Timothy 4:2

- **Hardens the heart!**

- Hebrews 3:12-13

- **Can make repentance "impossible"!**

- Hebrews 6:4-6

- **If left unattended, grows worse!**

- 2 Timothy 3:13

- **Can enslave or rule one!**

- Romans 6:6-7, 11-14, 16-18

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- These three things can be seen in David's sin, but:

- David's faith in God conquered Goliath...

- 1 Samuel 17

- David described by God as a "**man after mine own heart**"

- 1 Samuel 13:14; Acts 13:22

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- David had various struggles in life...

- **Pride** – cf. 1 Samuel 16:16-18 People bragged on him. 1 Samuel 18:7

- **Fear** – 1 Samuel 17 – When he faced Goliath

- **Anxiety** – Psalms 69:4 His future was uncertain as a soldier; cf. Matthew 6:34; Philippians 4:6-7; Hebrews 13:5-6; 1 Peter 5:7

- **Revenge** – 1 Samuel 24:4; 1 Samuel 26:8-10 He had two opportunities to kill Saul but did not. See also. 1 Samuel 25:32-33

- **Lust** – 2 Samuel 11 Lost this battle

- **Stubbornness** – 2 Samuel 12:13ff; cf. Psalms 51; note also his numbering the people in 1 Chron. 21:8

- **Despair** – 2 Samuel 18:33; 19:1-6 Over his son Absalom

Three Things Sin Did To David And Will Do To You!

2 Samuel 11-12:23

The FIRST Thing Sin Will Do!

- **It Will Take You Farther Than You Wanted Or Intended To Go!**
 - David's Sin With Bathsheba:
 - Started with a look and being in the wrong place!
 - 2 Samuel 11:1-4
 - Matthew 5:27-28
 - Addiction to drugs, gambling, alcohol, pornography have a starting place –
 - The **first** exposure to them!
 - Most do not consider the end from the beginning
 - Sin comes as a package deal leading to other sins
 - We don't know what "surprises" are in the package!

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The Second Thing Sin Will Do!

- **It Will Keep You Longer Than You Wanted To Stay!**
 - David was a wise man!
 - No idea of the consequences of his sin!
 - Same is true today regarding sin:
 - It entangles and will keep you!
 - Romans 6:11-14, 16-17
 - Parable of the sower – Luke 8:4-8; 11-15
 - Hebrews 3:13
 - Paul warned!
 - Flee fornication – 1 Corinthians 6:18
 - Joseph **fled** the advances of Potiphar's wife
 - Genesis 39:7-12

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Barnes On the Deceitfulness of Sin

- "Sin is always deceitful. It promises more than it performs. It assures us of pleasure which it never imparts. It leads us on beyond what was supposed when we began to indulge in it. The man who commits sin is always under a delusion; and sin, if he indulges it, will lead him on from one step to another, until the heart becomes entirely hardened. Sin puts on plausible appearances and pretenses; it assumes the name of virtue; it offers excuses and palliations, until the victim is snared; and then, spell-bound, he is hurried on to every excess. If sin was always seen in its true aspect when man is tempted to commit it, it would be so hateful that he would flee from it with the utmost abhorrence."

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The Third Thing Sin Will Do!

- **It will Cost You More Than You Wanted To Pay!**
 - Nathan tells David the consequences to come!
 - 2 Samuel 12:9-23
 - **"The sword will never depart ... thine house"** – verse 10
 - **"I will rise up evil ... out of thine own house"** – verses 11-12

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- **It will Cost You More Than You Wanted To Pay!**
 - Amnon forced Tamar – 2 Samuel 13:1-20
 - Absalom arranged Amnon's death – 2 Samuel 13:21-32
 - Absalom violated his fathers concubines – 2 Samuel 16:20-23
 - Rebels against David, eventually killed in battle – 2 Samuel 18:9-18
 - David mourns Absalom's death – 2 Samuel 18:19-33
 - Adonijah tried to exalt himself and become king and lost his life for asking for Abishag for his wife – 1 Kings 1-2
 - David's sin of adultery was forgiven by God – verses 13-14
 - God assured David that he would not die!
 - But, God did not remove the consequences!
 - The child he fathered with Bathsheba would die – verse 14
 - verses 14-23

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- **It will Cost You More Than You Wanted To Pay! ... all started with a thought Matthew 15:18**
 - **What Has Sin Cost the:**
 - **Gambler?**
 - Lost jobs, and wage garnishment?
 - **Drug User?**
 - Addiction, health problems; stealing to support the habit?
 - **Alcoholic?**
 - Cirrhosis of the liver; dead brain cells and health problems!
 - How many planned on killing and maiming innocent people?
 - **Smoker?**
 - How many planned on throat, mouth or lung cancer?
 - **Adulterer and fornicator?**
 - Mental anguish, broken homes and neglected children caught in the middle?
 - **Murderer?**
 - Heart ache of families who have lost loved ones!
 - Imprisonment and possible execution!
 - Shame of the family name!

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1. **It Will Take You Farther Than You Wanted Or Intended To Go!**
2. **It Will Keep You Longer Than You Wanted To Stay!**
3. **It Will Cost You More Than You Wanted To Pay!**

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Conclusion

- Some say **“it can’t happen to me!”**
 - But, heed the warning of Paul...
 - **“Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall”** – 1 Corinthians 10:13
- But, what about brethren who...
 - “Dabble” in the lottery?
 - Smoke and use tobacco products?
 - Look at pornographic material?
 - Dress immodestly, causing others to lust?
 - Are in an unscriptural marriage?
 - Drink alcoholic beverages “socially”?
 - Who fellowship/support religious error/compromise?
 - Ephesians 5:11
- **Remember Romans 6:23!**

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Heed These Words...

- *Psalms 1:1-2* **“Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the wicked, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of scoffers: But his delight is in the law of Jehovah; and on his law doth he meditate day and night.”**
- *Proverbs 4:14-15* **“Enter not into the path of the wicked, And walk not in the way of evil men. Avoid it, pass not by it; Turn from it, and pass on.”**

“...Be not deceived...”

(Galatians 6:7)

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The Bible Plan of Salvation

- The Sinner must...
 - Hear - Romans 10:17
 - Believe the Gospel - Romans 10:10
 - Confess Christ - Romans 10:9
 - Repent of your sins - Acts 2:38
 - Be baptized into Christ - Acts 2:38
- Erring children of God must...
 - Repent and Pray - Acts 8:22-24

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