

PRICELESS SOUL WELL OF REVIVAL MINISTRY

Part 3 The Flesh - Temptation

Christians do not sin

There are two groups of people, walking two different roads, headed for one of two different gates that have two different eternal destinies.

The people who NEVER cease from sin:

2Pet.2:14-15

¹⁴ having eyes full of adultery that **never cease from sin**, enticing unstable souls, having a heart trained in greed, **accursed children**; ¹⁵ **forsaking the right way**, they have **gone astray**, having followed the way of Balaam, the *son* of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

The people who have ceased from sin:

1Pet.4:1

Therefore, since Christ suffered (death) for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered (death) in the flesh has **ceased from sin**.

The very reason Jesus bore our sins in His body on the cross, is so that we having died to sins might live to righteousness:

1 Peter 2:24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, **so that we (having died to sins) might die to sins and live to righteousness**; for by His wounds you were healed.

There is no excuse for willful sin. God always provides a way of escape from sin:

1 Corinthians 10:12-14

Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. ¹³ No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who **will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able**, but with the temptation will **provide the way of escape** also, so that you **will be able to endure it**. ¹⁴ Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.

Jesus appeared to take away sins and in Him there is no sin. NO ONE who abides (remains) in Him sins:

1Jn.3:5-6

⁵ You know that **He appeared in order to take away sins**; and in Him there is no sin.

⁶ **No one** who **abides** in Him **sins**; no one who sins has seen (or continues to see) Him or knows Him.

Everyone who sins is of the devil. The Son of God was manifested to destroy sin.

Whoever has been born of God DOES NOT SIN:

1Jn.3:8-9 He who **sins is of the devil**, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was **manifested**, that He might **destroy the works of the devil**. **Whoever** has been **born of God does not commit sin**, for His seed remains in him; and **he cannot sin**, because he has been born of God.

commit] Greek: *poieo* (GSN-[G4160](#)), to do; commit; practice; perform ([1Jn. 3:4, 8,9](#); [Lk. 12:48](#); [Jn. 8:34](#)).

[because his seed remains in him; and he can not sin, because he is born of God]

This explains how a man born of God does not commit sin.

The secret of a proper understanding of this verse is in the word "in," which means in harmony with or in union with.

The seed is the Word of God by which a man is born again ([1Pet. 1:23](#); [Jas. 1:18](#)).

The simple idea is that as long as one remains in union with or in harmony with the seed, or the Word of God, he cannot sin.

One who is consecrated to obey the Bible and refuses to sin, cannot break the commandments of God.

Therefore, he cannot sin, for sin is transgression of the law ([1Jn. 3:4](#)).

The reason given here for not being able to sin is that "His" (God's) seed (the Word of God) remains (abides) in him.

That is, the one born again refuses to transgress the commandment of God and commit sin.

As long as this consecration remains he will be unable to sin. If he grows cold in his love for God, ceasing to pray and maintain his spiritual life by hiding the Word in his heart, he then may be overcome again and sin by transgressing the Word of God ([1Jn. 2:1](#); [2Pet. 1:5-10](#)).

1Jn.5:18

We know that **whoever** is born of God **does not sin**; but he who has been born of God **keeps himself**, and the wicked one **does not touch** him.

IF anyone sins we have an Advocate with the Father. Notice John by the Spirit says "IF" not "when".

When is planned. IF implies choice. The Holy Spirit is not planning on any one sinning.

1Jn.2:1 My little children, I am **writing** these things to you **so that** you **may not sin**. And **if** anyone sins, **we have** an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;

John wrote these things that we would not sin. This is the purpose and demand of the Gospel. WE do not sin if we walk in the light (v.6,7). But if one does fall into sin he still has hope and can confess sin, repent, and be cleansed again.

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