

Sin Against The Sunday Bulletin

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Pray for . . . Mary Cleveland, Peggy Woodall, Dawn Nations, Mildred and Dwayne Walls, David Pratte, Pennie Wright, Titus Davenport, Troy and Terry Lowe.

- Noel's father, Noel's hip. •Ty Johnson's parents.
- Steve Harbin, Tanya's step-dad, Makenzi's step-granddad.
- Faye and Ed Brewer. •Carey Tustin's mom and dad.
- Eddie & Rita; Canaan; Wilson; Tim & Sherry, Ronnie & Melody.
- Debbie Roby's parents, Clayton and Nelda Shannon.

The world is full of people who claim the right to be extremely vocal in criticism and extremely exempt from action.

It is better to be despised for the right than praised for the wrong.

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Ancient world viewed sin as 'mistake'

- Mistake, failure, error (not violation of God's law).
- **Ex.9:27** – And Pharaoh sent and called for Moses and Aaron, and said to them, “I have sinned this time. The Lord is righteous, and my people and I are wicked.”

I. Sin Is Serious

Work is serious

- Anything that hinders work is serious.
 - Lk.16, steward.
 - Mt.25
- Time is precious; limited supply. Ep.5:16
 - Mistakes (sins) cost time, can rob God, defeat goals
 - Bulletin mistakes cannot be as valuable as bulletin messages. Nu.13-14
 - Corrections themselves may profit. Ps.51

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II. All Sin

All make 'mistakes'

- But it's worse than that. Ro.3:23; 6:23.
- Jesus is the exception: used time perfectly.

And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" – Lk.2:49

I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work – Jn.9:4

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III. Christians Correct Sins

Embarrassing to air errors... but often necessary

Ja.5:19-20; 1 Jn.1:9

- We will face God – with or without sins.

30 Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,

31 because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead” – Acts 17:30-31

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IV. Our Efforts To Erase Sins Fail

I needed help!

- Soft eraser: useless.
 - Cannot be soft on sin.
 - Ex.32
 - 1 Sm.15
 - 1 Co.5
- Hard eraser: worked.
 - Ps.51, David.
 - 1 Co.9:27, Paul.
- ♦ Correction is necessary
Ac.3:19
- ♦ Forgiveness is wonderful
Mic.7:19
Hb.8:12
- ♦ Reputations may deceive
Lk.18:9-13

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V. Sins Are Not Worth Keeping

Blank spaces are better than scribbling

- Sins cost; no profit in them.
- Prov.7:23
- Lk.14:28

Sin costs more than we want to pay;
keeps us longer than we want to stay.

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VI. Ignoring Sin Is Not An Option

Sin is . . .

- Ugly.

Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace? – Hb.10:29

- Distracting. Lk.10:40; Ro.6:10

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VII. Carelessness Costs

Carelessness produces same damage as deliberate attack.

Carefulness shows respect. Mt.26

- Lk.10:38-42

Good things may hinder service to Lord.

- 1 Co.7:32...

Necessary things may hinder duties to others.

- 1 Co.12:25; 2 Co.11:28

Neglect often hinders love for brothers.

- Ph.2:...20-21

Care for other things hinders devotion to duty.

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Leaving ugly mark on bulletin is not an option

- One sin may destroy our life and eternity.
 - Gn.39
 - Ps.119:104
 - Ac.8
 - Jd.23
- Direct sunlight reveals marks on bulletin.
 - Ps.119:105
 - 2 Co.2

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IX. Sin Must Be Stopped Now

When I realized my mistake, I stopped writing

- **Ac.13:10** – “O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?”
- **1 Pt.3:10** – “He who would love life and see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips from speaking deceit.”
- **2 Pt.2:14** – “having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin.”

Sin is addictive and adhesive

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X. Learn From Life

School of hard knocks makes us stronger

- James 5:11 –

Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

- Keep it in perspective: could have been much worse. 2 Sm.4:4.
 - 2 K.1, **fatal fall**
 - Ec.9:11-12, **time and chance**
 - Lk.13:1-5, **avoid false inferences**

Jer.17:1

- Sin is serious...but God can remove it
- **Hb.1:3** – who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself **purged our sins**, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.
- **Acts 22:16** – And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and **wash away your sins**, calling on the name of the Lord.'