

RESPECTABLE SINS
~ Confronting The Sins We Tolerate ~
(1) *Just A Flesh Wound...?*

Romans 3:23...
*...for **ALL** have **SINNED** and fall short of the glory of God*

We want to “**ADD**” **CHRIST** without “**SUBTRACTING**” **SIN**!

We want a “**REVIVAL**” in our **HEARTS** without any “**REPENTANCE**” in our **LIVES**!

SPIRITUAL MATURITY...
Is **NOT** how much we “**KNOW**” ... it’s how much we “**OBEY!**”

THREE PRIMARY “MYTHS” ABOUT SIN...

1. I’M NOT A “BAD” PERSON!

1 John 1:8...
*If we say we have **NO SIN** - we **DECEIVE** ourselves - and the **TRUTH** is **NOT IN US**!*

Unless we see ourselves as **SINNERS**...
We’ll never see our **NEED** for a **SAVIOR**!

Isaiah 64:6...
*...and all our righteous deeds are like a **POLLUTED GARMENT**.
We all fade like a leaf, and our **INIQUITIES** - like the wind - take us away.*

*The **Second MYTH** about **SIN** is this...*

2. ALL SIN IS THE SAME!

- 1. It **INFLUENCES**... Our **REWARDS IN HEAVEN**!**
- 2. It **INFLUENCES**... Our **PUNISHMENT IN HELL**!**
- 3. It **INFLUENCES**... **CONSEQUENCES ON EARTH**!**

Luke 12:47-48a...
*And that servant who **knew his master’s will** but did not **get ready** or **act according to his will**,
will receive a **severe beating**. 48a But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a
beating, will receive a light beating.*

*The **Third MYTH** about **SIN** is this...*

3. I’VE ALREADY SINNED... SO I MIGHT AS WELL CONTINUE!

2 Peter 2:20...
*For if - after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ, and then are **AGAIN ENTANGLED** in them and **OVERCOME**,
the **LAST STATE** has become **WORSE** for them than the **FIRST**!*

The most **MISERABLE PEOPLE** in the **WORLD** are not **NON-CHRISTIANS**...

(But instead...) **CHRISTIANS LIVING IN SIN!**

James 1:14-15...

*But each person is **tempted** when he is **lured** and **enticed** by his own desire. 15 Then **desire** when it has **conceived** gives **birth to SIN**, and **SIN** when it is **fully grown** brings forth **DEATH!***

RE-PENT!

Revelation 3:19...

*Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and **REPENT!***