

## Sin by its right Name

- “Eve really believed the words of Satan, but her belief did not save her from the penalty of sin. She disbelieved the words of God, and this was what led to her fall. In the judgment men will not be condemned because they conscientiously believed a lie, but because they did not believe the truth, because they neglected the opportunity of learning what is truth. Notwithstanding the sophistry of Satan to the contrary, it is always disastrous to disobey God. We must set our hearts to know what is truth. All the lessons which God has caused to be placed on record in His word are for our warning and instruction. They are given to save us from deception. Their neglect will result in ruin to ourselves. Whatever contradicts God's word, we may be sure proceeds from Satan. {PP 55.2}”
- “I am instructed to say to our people: Let us follow Christ. Do not forget that He is to be our pattern in all things. We may safely discard those ideas that are not found in His teaching. 8T 296”
- Some confusion over is sin a state or actions?
- Need Bible answers
- I John 3:3,4 – Jesus had no transgression of the law in his heart. He can take our transgression of it, the breaking of it if we will away from us.
- Seems confusion is around what we are as opposed to what we do.

- Romans 7:5-7 – the motions of sins verse
- “God's law reaches the feelings and motives, as well as the outward acts. It reveals the secrets of the heart, flashing light upon things before buried in darkness. God knows every thought, every purpose, every plan, every motive. The books of heaven record the sins that would have been committed had there been opportunity. God will bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing. By His law He measures the character of every man. As the artist transfers to the canvas the features of the face, so the features of each individual character are transferred to the books of heaven. God has a perfect photograph of every man's character, and this photograph He compares with His law. He reveals to man the defects that mar his life, and calls upon him to repent and turn from sin (ST July 31, 1901). {5BC 1085.4}”
- Romans 6:6,7
- The body of sin, who we are by birth into this world under the curse of sin. It must be put to death that sin (transgression of the law) is no longer living there. We are free from it.
- Romans 7:14-25
- v.18 – perform what? What is sin here? What is Paul transgressing? Is it not the law of God? And what is the problem? The law of sin in the old man who is not dead yet. Who willfully transgresses the Law of God. Sin is transgression of the law and it is a willful choice on our part to break it.

- Romans 8:6, 7
- Objections: 2 verses
- Romans 14:23
- James 4:17...answer Psalms 119:8-11
- Examples.
- Duet. 1:31-43
- Study Deuteronomy Carefully.--The book of Deuteronomy should be carefully studied by those living on the earth today. It contains a record of the instruction given to Moses to give to the children of Israel. In it the law is repeated. . . . {1BC 1117.5}

The law of God was often to be repeated to Israel. That its precepts might not be forgotten, it was to be kept before the people, and was ever to be exalted and honored. Parents were to read the law to their children, teaching it to them line upon line, precept upon precept. And on public occasions the law was to be read in the hearing of all the people. {1BC 1117.6}

Upon obedience to this law depended the prosperity of Israel. If they were obedient, it would bring them life; if disobedient, death (RH Dec. 31, 1903). {1BC 1117.7}

- Gen. 39:1-9

“When Joseph was tempted to deviate from the path of right, to transgress the law of God, and prove untrue to his master, he firmly resisted, and gave evidence of the elevating power of the fear of God in his answer to his

master's wife. After speaking of the great confidence of his master in him, by intrusting all that he had to him, he exclaims, "How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God." He would not be persuaded to deviate from the path of righteousness, and trample upon God's law, by any inducements, or threats...Here is an example to all generations who should live upon the earth. Although they may be exposed to temptations, yet they should ever realize that there is a defense at hand, and it will be their own fault if they are not preserved. God will be a present help, and his Spirit a shield. Although surrounded with the severest temptations, there is a source of strength to which they can apply and resist them. How fierce was the assault upon Joseph's morals. It came from one of influence, the most likely to lead astray. Yet how promptly and firmly was it resisted. 3SG

- Numbers 22-24 – story of Balaam
- Numbers 25:1-3
- Numbers 31:16

After Balaam had returned to his place, and the controlling influence of God's Spirit had left him, his covetousness, which had not been overcome, but merely held in check, prevailed. He could think of nothing but the reward, and promotion to honor, which he might have received of Balak, until he was willing to resort to any means to obtain that which he desired. Balaam knew that the prosperity of Israel depended upon their observance of the law of God, and that there was no way to bring a curse upon them but by seducing them to transgression. He decided to secure to

himself Balak's reward, and the promotion he desired, by advising the Moabites what course to pursue to bring the curse upon Israel. He counseled Balak to proclaim an idolatrous feast in honor of their idol gods, and he would persuade the Israelites to attend, that they might be delighted with the music, and then the most beautiful Midianitish women should entice the Israelites to transgress the law of God, and corrupt themselves, and also influence them to offer sacrifice to idols. This Satanic counsel succeeded too well. Many of the Israelites were persuaded by Balaam, because they regarded him as a prophet of God, to join him, and mix with that idolatrous people, and engage with him in idolatry and fornication. {4aSG 48.2}

- 2 Tim 3:16,17 – if should doubt the examples because from the OT. Then you should remember!!
- Psalms 40:8-10
- Here we see what Christ did while here as us, but we also see what it did to David when the law was written in his heart. How it causes him to act. The spirit of the Law/(the character of God) and how it causes someone to behave.
- Law written on heart example...New Orleans
- 40:16 – there can be no stopping of the law being written in the heart. This process is sanctification.
- Those love the Lord/His salvation (the keeping of the law, for only those who do it can be saved.
- Matt. 5:48 – “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.” (The Father is the law is He not?)

- They will say continually more of thee Jehovah until we are completely erased (our evil hearts of unbelief and sin/selfishness) and the character of God/the Father and His dear Son is completely seen there by us and others.
- 40:17 – David sees his condition, but yet He still knows God loves him. He says help me and do not wait. He can ask this knowing the deliverance is certain, sure and swift.
- Example of swift deliverance: Peter – Matt. 14:28-30
- Law must be written on the heart. This is the problem for us.
- 2 examples of how works
- Mark 10:17-22
- he had a love for man, but he did not have a supreme love for God! This was where the law had not been written over his heart.
- Duet. 6:4,5
- 10:23-27
- those that have much of the world...it is almost impossible for this part of the law to be written on their hearts.
- We must know that unless it is completely written on the heart in full, we like the rich young ruler still lack.
- As hard as this is, it is not impossible for God to do it for a man, but he will have to consent.
- Could have been done for this man, but he would not consent and do what it took for the law to be written in his heart for supreme love for God.

- 10:28-30
- then Peter says Lord we have done this. We have left all. In other words the law of supreme love to God over the world is written in our hearts, for this must be first.
- What is the answer of Jesus? You will have this world good as you need it and in the end eternal life!
- Luke 19:1-10
- Zacchaeus showed the law of supreme love for God written in the heart. Which caused the the love for thy neighbor as thy self to be written there.
- Mark 12:28-34.
- For all this Jesus tells Zacchaeus and those watching that salvation had come to him.
- Jer. 31:33,34

#### Closing Quote:

Our heavenly Father designed to prove and test the professed faith and obedience of his people. The sacrifices which they performed under the law were typical of the Lamb of God, and illustrated his great atonement. Yet the Jewish nation were so blinded and deceived by Satan that when Christ came, whom their sacrifices and offerings had been prefiguring, they would not receive him. They led him as a lamb to the slaughter. {4aSG 118.1}

The same rebellion and hatred against Christ will be in the hearts of men at his second advent. If Christ's second coming should be in the same humble manner as at his first advent, reproofing sin, and commending virtue and holiness, where there was then one voice raised, crying, Crucify him! crucify him! there would be thousands in this apostate age.