

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 992: Are We SURE Sin is Really Sinful?

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SHOW NOTES

1. What are the definitions of the word “sin” in Strong’s Concordance #2403 and #2398 from the Old Testament Hebrew and #264 and #266 from the New Testament Greek? What does “offense” mean according to Strong’s #3900? How does the Bible use the words “sin” and “offense”? (See Matthew 18:21, 26:28, Romans 5:15)
2. What does the love of God through Jesus do to the sin in Romans 5:15? What does the word “agape” mean? How did sin affect the relationship between God and humankind? Who is the “prince of this world”? (See Ephesians 2:1-2, John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 4:4)
3. What does it mean for Satan to disguise himself as an “angel of light”? How do we see this in churches or society today? What happens when we seek to live by how we feel and not by biblical standards? (See 2 Corinthians 11:12-15, Romans 1:20-25)
4. Can we say Jesus was *relativistic* in the eyes of the Pharisees? Why? Was Jesus relativistic according to God’s standards? (See Matthew 22:36-40, John 12:44-46)
5. What is “ethical cheating”? In what ways did Daniel stay ethical? In Acts 5:21-32, were the Apostles right to defy the edict of the high priest? Why did the Apostles not follow the laws of the land? Should we ever break God’s laws to do what we think *seems* right? (See Daniel 6:3-5, Acts 5:29).
6. What two types of sin are revealed in Psalms 19:12-13? What are some differences between “presumptuous sins” and “hidden faults?” What is the Strong’s Concordance definition of “presumptuous”? What hidden faults and presumptuous sins do you see in yourself? (See Romans 6:12-13)
7. What type of love is built upon the framework of our ethics and why does that matter? What is the object, the reasons and the methods of your worship? (See Romans 5:18-19, Matthew 4:10).
8. What ethical actions can you think of that go with the following principles? How can we avoid doing these in our lives?
 - a. Wealth without work. (See 2 Thessalonians 3:10)
 - b. Pleasure without conscience. (See Ephesians 4:19-20)
 - c. Science without humanity. (See James 4:17)
 - d. Knowledge without character. (See 1 Corinthians 8:1)
 - e. Politics without principle. (See 1 Peter 2:13-14)
 - f. Commerce without morality. (See Proverbs 20:10)
 - g. Worship without sacrifice. (See Romans 12:1)
9. What may happen if we let Satan’s tainted “light” guide our lives? How can we make sure our lives focus on Jesus as our guide? (See Romans 1:28-32)