

Ep. 1240: Is It a Sin If I...? (Part 1)

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- 1. What is the New Testament definition of "sin"? What is the New Testament definition of an "offense"? Explain how an offense can be both intentional and unintentional. How does sin or an offense change our relationship with God? Who are the "sons of disobedience"? Could that description ever apply to Christians? (See Matthew 18:21, Romans 5:12,15, Ephesians 2:1-2)
- 2. Determining whether we have "missed the mark" depends on what? How can what others do become one of our own sins? Why are some people not held accountable at this time? What will their fate be in the future? (See Galatians 5:19-21, Ephesians 2:1-2)
- 3. Is sin subjective, meaning based on how we feel? Are we free to do as we wish if we do not sin within our own understanding? How should we handle it when we know someone else (another Christian or non-Christian) will be bothered by our actions? (See Romans 14:5-6, Colossians 3:17, 1 Corinthians 6:12,10:28)
- 4. What is at least one biblical principle that should underlay everything we do? How might this apply to how we dress? What is the context of 1 Timothy 2:9-10? How does that affect how we apply it?
- 5. What does the Bible say about men and women and their roles and dress? What is a possible explanation of why Deuteronomy 22:5 says it is an "abomination" to purposefully give the appearance of the opposite gender? (See 1 Timothy 6:6, Genesis 1:27, Matthew 19:4)
- 6. Is it a sin if I wear jewelry, nail polish and makeup a sin? Does the answer change for females and males? Can the length of our hair be a sin? When do such things cross the line for Christians? How could these practices be acts of rebellion against God? (See 1 Peter 3:3-4, 1 Corinthians 10:31, 11:14-15, 1 Samuel 16:7, Romans 1:18-25)
- 7. What are five things we should consider about dressing or accessorizing? Instead of making a fashion statement, what should we aim to make? (See Romans 14:13-14, 1 Corinthians 10:31-32)
- 8. In what way can gambling cause tragedy in our lives? What three things does even moderate participation in gambling require? What could even casual entertainment gambling cost us down the road? (See Proverbs 3:9, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20,10:23)
- 9. Are there worthy causes where we can contribute through a gambling-type game (like a lottery or raffle)? What is required of us as good stewards of our finances? Where should we look for our treasure? (See 1 Peter 4:10-11, 1 Timothy 5:8, Acts 20:35, Colossians 3:23, 1 Corinthians 4:1-2)
- 10. Will we always succeed in avoiding sin? What do or should we do when we fail? (See Romans 3:23, Hebrew 4:16)

