

The Doorways and the Impacts of Sin

Genesis 3:1-21 (NASB)

I. Doorways:

1. Choosing to believe ourselves, someone else, or something that _____ and _____ the word and authority of God (vs. 1-5).

2. When we set our mind and affections on _____ and the things of the _____ (v. 6a). (See Proverbs 3:5-7 and Colossians 3:2-5)

- Sometimes sin does not *seem* like it is (outright) _____ or rebellious.
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II. Impact:

1. We can compound the issue by _____ others to sin (v. 6b).

2. We treat that which God says is _____ as though it is _____ (7b).

3. We seek to _____ from God and from others instead of seeking after He and others for fellowship and intimacy (vs. 7-10).

4. When we do not repent of it, sin makes us _____, e.g. we justify our actions by blaming _____ instead of taking responsibility for them (vs. 11-13).

5. Sin negatively impacts:

- The created order and relationships within it (vs. 14-15)
- Things within and on our bodies (vs. 16a, 22)
- Familial relationships (v. 20)

- Marital relationships (v. 16b)
 - Work and our way of life (v. 17-19)
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III. Questions to consider:

1. Have you been guilty of exchanging the truth of God for a lie, or of not challenging a lie (internally or externally)?
 2. Has what others have said stirred your emotions and affections, thereby tempting you to respond in a way that is out of line with Scripture?
 3. What blessings in your life are overlooked and unappreciated because you have set your mind on the wrong thing? Do you need to confess and repent of this?
 4. Are you guilty of leading others to sin?
 5. Are you guilty of calling what God says is bad good, and good bad?
 6. Is pride an issue for you? When the Holy Spirit confronts you, have you tried to hide, ignore it, or blame others instead of surrendering to Him?
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