

# Overview of the Bible (Lesson #8)

Today's topic: Sin  
Recommended Reading: Chapters 34 - 39 of Ryrie's *Basic Theology*

1. In Today's study of our *Overview of the Bible* series we'll be in Lesson #8:

- Lesson #1: Basic overview and Authority of the Bible
- Lesson #2: A study of God and His Defining Attributes
- Lesson #3: The Bible: Inspired Word of God
- Lesson #4: Angels
- Lesson #5: The Devil
- Lesson #6: Demons
- Lesson #7: Mankind
- **Lesson #8: Sin**
- Lesson #9: Jesus Christ, Son of God and Savior of the World
- Lesson #10: Salvation overview (Justification, Sanctification, and Glorification)
- Lesson #11: The Holy Spirit
- Lesson #12: The Church
- Lesson #13: End Time Prophecy
- Lesson #14: Wrapping it all up and putting it all together...

2. How does the "world" view sin? And how do they typically view the consequence of sin?

3. In the Old Testament the basic word for sin occurs 522 times, so the concept of sin is something that's pretty important in terms of God's message to us (i.e., that's an average of 13 times per book). What do the following passages tell us about sin?

- a. Exodus 20:20 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Proverbs 8:36 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Proverbs 19:2 \_\_\_\_\_

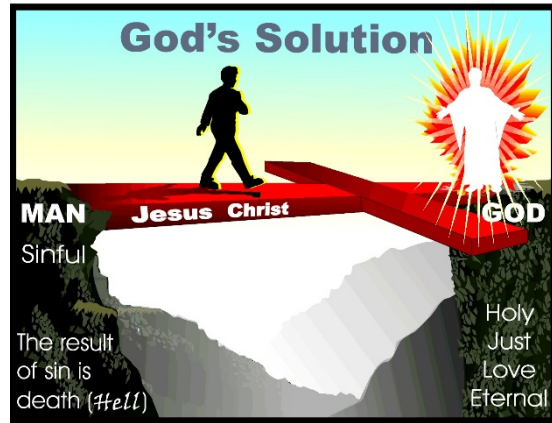
4. Review the contents of Table 1 below (page 263, Ryrie's book). Discuss the differences in the three categories of sin and their associated *consequences* and *remedies*.

**Table 1: Aspects of Sin Comparison**

| Category      | Scripture                 | Transmission             | Principal Consequence | Remedy                                     |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Inherited Sin | Ephesians 2:3             | Generation to generation | Spiritual death       | Redemption and the gift of the Holy Spirit |
| Imputed Sin   | Romans 5:12               | Direct from Adam to me   | Physical death        | Imputed Righteousness                      |
| Personal Sins | Romans 3:23<br>1 John 1:9 | None                     | Loss of fellowship    | Forgiveness                                |

5. Consider the two images below that illustrate the consequence of sin and God’s remedy. Let’s review the passages below from the book of Romans that further explain this idea.

- a. Romans 3:23 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Romans 6:23 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Romans 5:8 \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Romans 10:9 & John 3:16 \_\_\_\_\_

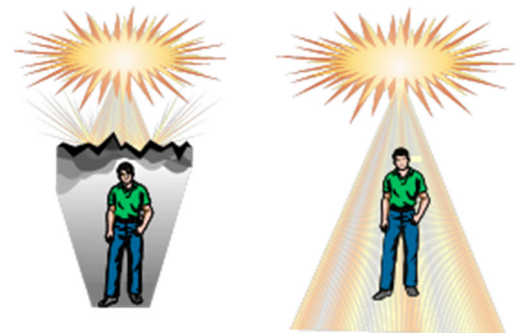


6. What are the consequences of sin for those who follow Jesus (i.e., Christians) compared to the consequence of sin for those who do not follow Jesus (refer to pages 266-267)?

7. Followers of Jesus are not immune to the effects of sin as we live our lives. At a fundamental level, sin hinders our fellowship with God as we all have a sin nature (1 John 1:8) and do sinful things (1 John 1:10). What do the following passages tell us about how to be forgiven and how to avoid sin?

- a. 1 John 1:9 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. 1 Corinthians 10:13-14 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Ephesians 4:22-32 \_\_\_\_\_

8. Read **VI CONCLUDING THOUGHTS** on page 268. How do the images at the right illustrate the differences observed in a Believer who is walking in sin and in the light?



9. NEXT BIBLE STUDY: **Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**; we’ll study Section IX – *Jesus Christ Our Lord* (Chapters 40-47).