



MESSAGE NOTES

Biblical Words : Sin

2 Corinthians 5:21

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1. We're all sinners

1 John 1:8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Sin is a lot more than just external actions. It includes the thoughts and motives of the heart. If you are angry and insult someone you have murdered them in your heart. If you look lustfully at someone you have committed adultery with them in your heart. Nobody is perfect, we all need Jesus.

2. The root of sin

Genesis 3:4-5 "You will not surely die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

This is the root of all sin. It's wanting to be like God. Instead of submitting to God in your life wanting to lead your own life. Instead of accepting what God says is right and wrong wanting to decide that for yourself. The solution to the problem of sin isn't more effort it's a closer relationship with God.

3. Our new identify

2 Corinthians 5:21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

We're all born as sinners. But when we meet with Jesus we are given a new identity. We become saints. This doesn't mean that we don't still sin but that we are made pure through the blood of Jesus. We have new power for living.