

WHAT

IS

SIN?

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In the dictionary, the word sin means "to break a religious law or moral principle; to commit an offense or fault of any kind". But is this all that this word really means? Let us scrutinize the meaning of this word and really get the right concept of what it is all about.

It would be worthwhile getting the Bible's definition of sin before going into what sins really are. The Bible talks about sin being the transgression of the law. These laws are the commandments of God, the creator, given to man through Moses on Mount Sinai. Moreover, it is evident from the Bible that so many other human acts which are sins are not categorically stated in the laws.

One might therefore ask if that means the Bible is not complete? The answer is NO. The Holy Bible is complete. The Bible gave a clear definition of what sin is. In I John 5:17, the Bible says "All unrighteousness is sin." Note the three letter word "all". Thus anything unrighteous is sin. This includes the transgression of the laws; the unrighteous human acts; and whatever your mind can think of as being unrighteous.

Now that we have analysed what sin is, it is worthwhile looking into what results it has and what the consequences are. Sin is destructive. Sin will destroy man both

physically and spiritually. The Bible says "...the soul that sinneth, it shall die." What God recognises as being death is the eternal separation between man and God, his creator. God has not at anytime and will not have any communion with sin. God hates sin to the utmost, but the sinner himself God loves with a measure that could not be expressed.

God's love is eternal. Despite the fact that men have wronged God, He makes a way of escape from death for us. Everlasting life, escape from the wrath of God which is coming upon this sinful world, and everlasting joy and peace, are the will of God for you.

Friend, God loves you. Christ died for your sins. You don't need to pay the penalty because it has already been paid for you. Why should you die? Why should you allow the wrath of God to fall on you when God has prepared the way of escape? All that God requires of you is to believe and turn over your life to Jesus Christ. Recognise yourself as a sinner worthy of death according to God's standard, and then repent of your sins which means confess them, and turn away from them. Tell God you are sorry. Accept Christ's finished work. Ask the Lord Jesus Christ to come into your

life. I guarantee you upon the whole truth of the Bible that if you sincerely do this, your sins will be blotted out and forgiven completely. Friend, would you be free from the bondage of sin? There is power in

the blood of Jesus. May God bless you.

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SEC. OF STATE TO MEET NUS

Canada's Secretary of State David MacDonald has agreed to meet with the National Union of Students this fall to discuss students' concerns with the Canada Student Loans Program.

NUS learned of the agreement after MacDonald's constituency office was called by Kevin Walker, the student president at the University of Prince Edward Island, informing them that the NUS was interested in the meeting.

Hours later, MacDonald's Ottawa office called the NUS national office.

It is through the Secretary of State that all legislative changes to the Canada Student Loans Program are directed, and it is this office which will determine how quickly the federal government moves on the development of a new student assistance plan for all Canadian students.

RUMOR HATH IT

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- that Fall Fest isn't too far off.
- there's a football game Saturday against Mt. A.
- Marion Hall has a flasher.
- Guinness is coming back on Oct. 4th, for a good foot stomping, beer drinking time.
- Kevin and Robin will never be a success at clam digging.
- one of U.P.E.I.'s new football players was seen in Bernardine Hall, dressed up as a girl.
- Jackie forgets her glasses at the wrong times.
- the Co-ed is soon approaching.
- Vince Mulligan just can't keep track of his car.
- Mary finally turned 19.
- Kim is happy that Guinness is coming back, this time she might remember them.
- Rocky lll lives in Maryfield.
- Parloo's sock is hanging on the bulletin board on 2nd floor Bernardine Hall.



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