



Words to Find:

adultery	deceit
covetousness	disobedient
covenantbreakers	envy
debate	fornication
despieseth	gluttony

God's Way to Heaven

God's way to Heaven is very clear and simple. It is found all through the Bible. Here is how the book of Romans explains it:

All are not right with God because of their sin:

"As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:" Romans 3:10

"For all have sinned, and come

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short of the glory of God;" Romans 3:23

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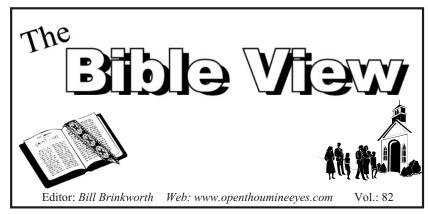
unrighteousness

There is a price that has to be paid for our sin.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:" Romans 5:12

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No "Little" Sin

Some have an ungrounded notion that there are small and big sins. They think some are permissible and some are not. All sin is wicked in God's eyes, according to His word, and no sins are permissible. Committing them will cost us and others much.

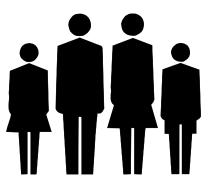
None get away with sin. Even Moses, God's appointed and anointed man that led early Israel paid a tremendous price for what some consider a "small" sin. God instructed Moses to speak to the rock to get water out of it. Even though anger may have been his excuse, he struck it with his staff, as he had done before, and did not obey God by speaking to it. Some may consider it a "little" sin but it was still disobedience to God's commandment. He was not trusting that God could perform another miracle just by his speaking to the rock (Numbers 20:10-12). Because of his sin and Aaron's sin, both brothers never saw the Promised Land they had worked so hard to lead God's people to.

Special situations do not justify that it is okay to sin. Sin is

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The Diffence between Sin And Sins

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Sin is character;
Sins are conduct
Sin is the center;
Sins the circumference.
Sin is the source of which
Sins are the secretion.
Sin is the root;
Sins the fruit.
Sin is the Producer;
Sins the product.

Sins is the old nature; **Sins** Its manifestation.

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No "Little" Sin

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still against God no matter the circumstances. There was a time that the symbol of God's presence, the Ark of the Covenant, was given into enemy hands for seven months. Wherever it rested out of Israel, destruction was brought to that city. Wisely, the ungodly realized that the true God was bringing the torment on them. Soon, it was sent back to the Israelites. When God's people looked into the Ark of the Lord, perhaps justified as checking to make sure all items were in the chest, 57,000 Israelites died (I Samuel 6:18-20). The heathen had looked into the chest and nothing happened. It was the children of God that knew the law of God, and were supposed to obey it that suffered loss when they disobeyed God's command by looking into it. Just a "slight" breaking of the law brought dire consequences to many.

The Israelites were not allowed to touch the ark. Only the Levite tribe of Israel was permitted to move it, and only then by using a special method. At one time, as the ark was being transported, it wobbled in the cart. Uzzah reached out and steadied it (II Samuel 6:2-7). The Bible says that God was angered by his error and God killed him. Gulp! "But Uzzah was only trying to protect it", you thought. Disobedience is never justified. Sin is always wrong.

Saul was to be king. One of his instructions was to kill all the Amalekites. Unfortunately, Saul had a better idea then God. He spared King Agag's life and the best of their flocks. Yes, he partially obeyed God's command-

To sin by silence when they should protest makes cowards of men

ment by destroying all the other residents of the town. For this "trifle" sin of not doing all God commanded, God rejected Saul as king, and another soon took his place (I Samuel 15:1-23). God made it very clear to Saul that his sin of rebellion was the same as the sins of witchcraft, and his sin of stubbornness was the same as iniquity and idolatry. It was not a "slight" sin.

During a time when the early church was having great growth many were giving much of their possessions to the cause of Christ. They were not commanded to: they just wanted to give, and see the church grow. A couple, Ananias and Sapphira, got caught up in the fervor of giving. They sold a possession of their own. Apparently, they told every one they gave all they had earned from it, but secretly they only gave some of it (Acts 5:1-10). For this lie they both died on the spot. "But it was their money; they didn't have to give it." You're right, but a partial untruth is still a lie, and their sin caused their death. A little, white lie is still sin. No sin is justifiable in God's sight.

Somehow many believe that some sins are okay and some are

not. Nowhere in the Bible is this taught. God is a holy God and hates sin. Yes, sometimes His grace spares us the punishment we deserve (Romans 5:19-20, Romans 6:1-2), but He is hoping that we correct our continuing to err against Him. That is why He gives us His undeserved merit and mercy. Not getting immediate consequences to our sin is not an approval from God on our actions.

Stealing one cent is still thievery. Cheating on a spouse "only" once is still adultery. Lying to a police officer about not speeding when we were is still a falsehood. Keeping your parents from knowing that you were out with a friend you were not allowed to associate with is still deceitfulness.

Sin is inexcusable in God's eyes. Yes, when we get saved our sins are all forgiven – past, present and future. Continuing to sin will not send us to hell, if we are saved, but it will separate us from God, rob us of His power on our life, steal our joy, and many times, bring God's wrath and the consequence of sin upon us. There is no sin that is "slight" in God's eyes. Sin is not okay and should be avoided at all cost. When we do sin, we should repent and ask forgiveness (I John 1:9).

The Diffence . . .

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Sin is the sire;
Sins his off-spring.
Sin is one single act;
Sins many sinful acts.
Sin is the fountain;
Sins its flow.

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The death of God's only son, Jesus is the only thing that can be payment for our sin!

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

If we accept and trust only Christ's finished work on the cross as payment for our sins, we can be saved from Hell!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed." Romans 10:9-11

Sin will keep you from the Bible. The Bible will keep you from sin.

--Dwight L. Moody.