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 uncleanness  
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 idolatry  
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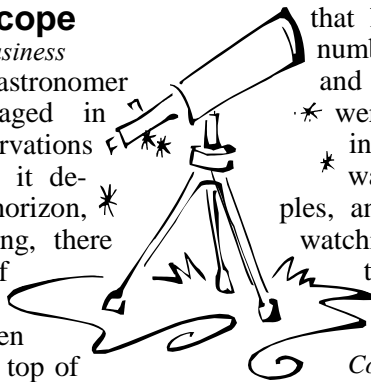


**Sins of the Flesh — as found in Galatians 5:19-21**

**The Telescope**

*The King's Business*

One day the astronomer Mitchell was engaged in making some observations on the sun, and as it descended toward the horizon, just as it was setting, there came into the sight of the great telescope the top of a hill seven miles away. On the top of

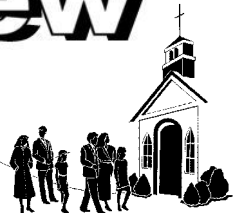


that hill were a large number of apple trees, and in one of them were two boys stealing apples. One was getting the apples, and the other was watching to make certain that nobody saw them. They felt certain

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**Who Sins?**

Many have argued who they feel truly are sinners. Here is who the Bible identifies as being a sinner:

*“As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:” Romans 3:10*

*“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;” Romans 3:23*

*“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*

*“If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.” I John 1:10*

**No Harm in It**

*Adapted from Gospel Stories*

Some wild ducks found a good feeding place among the reeds along the edge of a certain slow running South African river. It was not long before some boys discovered the regular visits of the ducks and planned how to catch them.

They began by placing pumpkins in the river above the birds

and allowed the river to carry them down to where the ducks were feeding. At first, the ducks were nervous and flew away, but soon they decided there was no harm in them, until the pumpkins could almost bump them without disturbing them in any way.



Then came the second part of the boys' plan. Each took a pumpkin, scooped the inside out, made two small holes to see through, and placing them over their heads, quietly slipped into the river, showing only the pumpkin "floating" above the water. They moved slowly and quietly toward the ducks, caught them by their legs from under the water, and killed them.

How many are led into sin by saying, "There is no harm in it." They allow sin to get close to them, and it deceives them, as did the boys to the ducks. As did the fowl, too many will find out too late how being too close to sin will destroy their lives. We must always be on the lookout to keep sin a far way off.

## The Cost of Sin

Bill Brinkworth

Sin is what we do that is against God's will and way. He hates sin. He knows that it will hurt us and the consequences of committing any sin are great. Here is some of what it will cost to sin:

☹ *Sins' consequences.* A liar will be lonely; as no one will trust him. A drunkard will lose his health, and make wrong decisions. A thief will find himself in jail. A cheater will not learn the challenges placed before him. An adulterer will destroy his marriage. Fornicators will not have proper relationships and may find themselves used and lonely, etc.

☹ *Peace within.* Guilt from committing sin will rob one of sleep, peace, and joy.

☹ *Fellowship with God.*

☹ *Blessings of God.* This also includes not getting answered prayer and His directing hand.

## The Penalty of Success

Watchword and Truth

A remarkable illustration of the penalty of success is reported by persons living near Jamestown, N. Y. For many years, a

colony of American eagles had made its home near the shores of Chautauqua Lake.

One eagle was noticed hovering over the lake, and several persons watched its graceful flight. Suddenly it darted with lightning speed toward the water, catching in its talons a muskellunge two feet or more in length, and weighing about ten pounds. There was a clash and splashing of fins and feathers, but slowly the bird rose in the air with its captive dangling and wriggling below.

When at a height of about 1,000 feet the bird, still clinging to the fish, began to sink slowly toward the lake again, gaining speed as it descended, and finally fell with a splash in the water. Later, the bird and fish were found together — dead.

The eagle had evidently found the fish too heavy to carry, but had been unable to drop it. Owing to its claws being so firmly imbedded in the flesh that it could not release its hold, and as its strength gave way it sank into the water and was drowned. The very tenacity with which the



*"God hates the sin,  
but He loves the  
sinner."* — D. L. Moody

eagle grasped its prize prevented it from losing it when it wished to do so. It is often the same with men who discover too late that some eagerly coveted prize is fatal to them.

## Playing With the Handles

Adapted from the *British Weekly*

A little four-year old girl fell out of a taxi on the way home from a party. She was taken to the hospital, and when she was dying, she said, "I have been a naughty girl. I was playing with the door. I won't do it anymore." She must have been a very honest little soul to own up bravely that the accident was all her own fault.

"I won't do it anymore." It was too true. It was her last party. We all try the handles of doors in these days, especially the doors marked "liberty" and "happiness." It sometimes happens that doors fly suddenly open, landing us in the gutter, in disaster, and wretchedness.

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

## In Due Time Christ Died

Harry Todd

*I was living for this world,  
Not thinking of eternity,  
But in due time Christ died  
For the ungodly such as me.*

*I was lost without strength  
And no help I could see  
But in due time Christ died  
For the ungodly such as me.*

*My life was run in  
circles,  
While I struggled  
aimlessly,  
But in due time  
Christ died  
For the ungodly such  
as me.*



*I was alienated from God,  
A life full of misery,  
But in due time Christ died  
For the ungodly such as me.*

*I was living without hope,  
To God I was an enemy,  
But in due time Christ died  
For the ungodly such as me.*

## The Telescope

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that they were undiscovered.

There sat Professor Mitchell seven miles away with the great eye of the telescope aimed upon them, seeing every movement they made; as plainly as if he had been under the tree.

Often it is with men. Because they do not see the eye that watches with sleepless vigilance, they think they are not seen.

**SIN: "To depart voluntarily from the path of duty prescribed by God to man; to violate the divine law in any particular, by actual transgression or by the neglect or non-observance of its injunctions ..."**

— Noah Webster (1828)