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DOCTRINE – Part 3 **TRUTHS ABOUT THE FALL**

Calling that event "the Fall" is like calling a 5-vehicle pile-up a traffic incident.

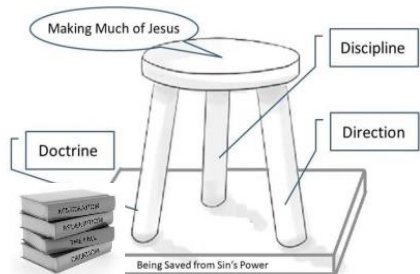
Read [Genesis 3:1-7](#).

TRUTH ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF SIN

[Romans 5:12-21](#)

Between verses 15-19 we see that 5 times Paul writes that because of one man's sin, sin entered the world.

Now What?



Here's what we need to know: ***We are not sinners because we sin; we sin because we are sinners.***

So how sinful are we? How far does this sin reach us?

TRUTHS ABOUT THE EXTENT OF THE FALL

Sin affects:

- a. The will ([John 8:34](#); also, [Ephesians 2:1-3](#); [2 Peter 2:19](#));
- b. The mind ([1 Corinthians 1:21](#); also, [Genesis 6:5](#); [Ephesians 4:17](#));
- c. The emotions ([John 3:19](#); also [Isaiah 48:22](#)); and
- d. The behavior ([Romans 8:7](#); also, [Romans 3:12](#))

[Romans 3:10–18](#)

The very core of our being which is called our heart is “deceitful and desperately wicked” (Jeremiah 17:9). We actually love sin (John 3:19; John 8:34) so much that we will not seek God (Romans 3:10–11) because we love the darkness of sin (John 3:19). It is impossible for us in this state to understand the things of God (1 Corinthians 2:14). When we hear truth we try to ignore it; we stuff it so we can keep doing the sin we love (Romans 1:18) Of course, all of this seems right to us (Proverbs 14:12) so we reject the gospel of Christ as foolishness (1 Corinthians 1:18). Our minds are “hostile toward God” and we neither want to obey God, nor are we able to obey God, in this condition. (Romans 8:7).

We are born in sin and born “dead in sin” (Psalm 51:5, Psalm 58:3, Ephesians 2:1-5). The Bible teaches that because unsaved man or woman is “dead in transgressions” (Ephesians 2:5). In this fallen state, we are left unfit for God’s presence (Psalm 5:5). In addition to this severe diagnosis, in our condition as sinners even the good things we do are like “filthy rags” before God (Isaiah 64:6). Imagine, even our attempts to do good things make us guilty before God!

CONCLUSION

[Ephesians 2:1–5](#)

APPLICATION

“Too many think lightly of sin, and therefore think lightly of the Saviour. He who has stood before his God, convicted and condemned, with the rope about his neck, is the man to weep for joy when he is pardoned, to hate the evil which has been forgiven him, and to live to the honour of the Redeemer by whose blood he has been cleansed.” – Spurgeon.

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