

Household of Faith fidelity



"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." - Galatians 6:10

Week of Sunday, 20th September 2026

Q&A 5/5 What to Do with Sin?

The Bible deals with sin from cover to cover. You do not have to go further than the third chapter of Genesis to get a vivid description of the first sin. Move another three chapters, and you will see how sin had spread to the entire world!

Now look in the mirror. What do you see? Be honest. Is there sin in your life? No one knows better than you. What are you going to do about it? Here are some suggestions:

1. Awareness of Sin. What is Sin? The Bible tells us in 1 John 3:4 that *"sin is the transgression of the law"*. Paul struggled with this in Romans 7:7-9 where he writes, *"What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet. But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead. For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died."*

What does sin do? Make no mistake about it, sin erects a wall between you and God. It cuts off all blessings and sustenance from above. Isaiah 59:2 declares, *"But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear."*

What is the result of Sin? Romans 6:23 tells us in no uncertain terms, *"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."*

2. Beware of Sin. Do not go through life like an ostrich with your head buried in the sand. All mankind has sinned. We commit sin every day - by doing bad things as well as by not doing good things (James 4:17). The Bible tells us in Romans 3:23, *"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."*

3. Be careful of Sin. Search your heart like the Psalmist

of old in Psalms 139:23, *"Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts."* Is there a secret sin? Perhaps an evil thought?

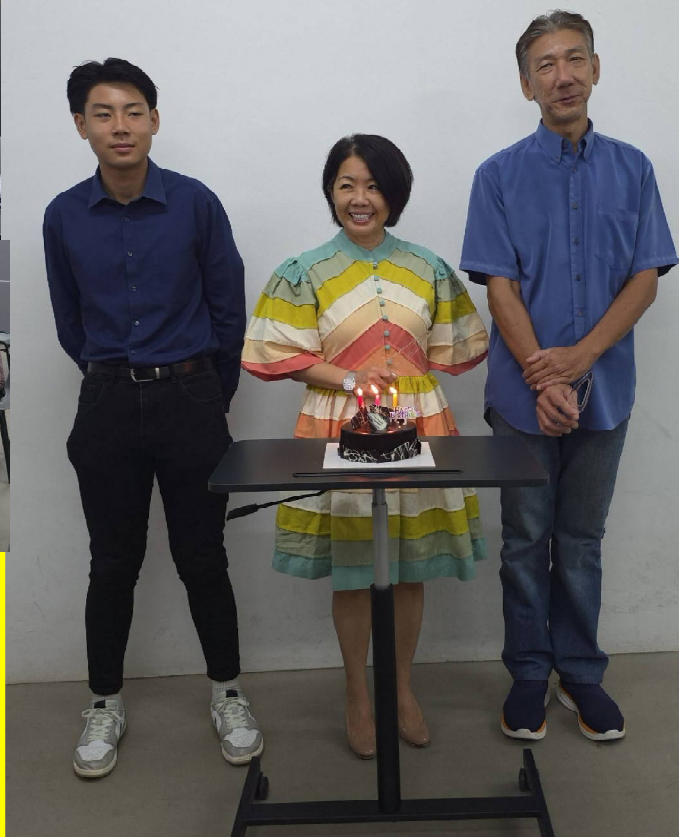
Every sin goes through various stages. James 1:14-15 describes this process in this way: *"But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."*

4. Declare Your Sin by Confession. Not only do we have the tendency to hide our sins, like David, often we commit sins which we do not deem to be wrong. As David was a man after God's own heart, he constantly examined himself as he did in Psalms 19:13,14 *"Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression."*

5. Enter into God's Presence. To seek complete cleansing of our sins, like the prodigal son of Luke 15, we must leave the pigsty and return to our Father's house where we belong. In Psalms 51:11, David prayed, *"Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me."*

The only way to deal with sin is to rid yourself of it completely.

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Clockwise: Care teams meeting; Henry exhorting the congregation; Jonathan, June and David celebrating their birthday; Members and visitors enjoying the buffet lunch. Thanks to Henry for sponsoring the lunch and Phai for the watermelons.



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20th September 2026

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Introduction

With many things in this world
you only get one chance

E.g. Stock Exchange

Others offer a second chance

E.g. God's forgiveness

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Genesis 9:12-15

And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

And it shall come to pass... And I will remember my covenant... and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.

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1. Adam and Eve

Genesis 3:15 *And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*



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2. Joseph's Brothers

Genesis 45:7-8 *And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.*

So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.

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Jonah 2:2

And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice.



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4. Simon Peter

Matthew 26:75 *And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.*

John 21:17 *Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.*

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Acts 9:5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

1 Timothy 1:13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.

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Acts 13:13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos... and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.

Acts 15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus.

2 Timothy 4:11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry.

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Philemon 1:10 *I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds.*

Philemon 1:18 *If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought, put that on mine account.*

Philemon 1:11 *Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me.*

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Conclusion

We all make mistakes

Everyone deserves a second
chance

E.g. Yellow Ribbon Project

From a song "Tie a
Yellow Ribbon" by
by Levine & Brown

