

## ***Sin Series - The Origin (Part 1)***

**Genesis 3:1-6 - 2/19/17**

*How does the origin of sin still affect me today?*

What used to be a common topic in sermons prior to the 20th century, is hardly mentioned in some churches today... Sin.

Yet with something that is so common, universal, pervasive and destructive, it behooves us as Christians to not only talk about it, but we need to bring it to the Light.

To begin this topic, we need to go all the way back to where it all began.

### **\*Genesis 3:1-3**

If you're in Christ, your sins have been fully acquitted. Having said that, sin is still a daily struggle that we have to learn to overcome through the truths of Scripture - as we walk by faith through the power of the Holy Spirit.

1) We're *Still* Being Enticed To Question God, In Subtle Craftiness

How many time's does the average person, or the average Christian, question God in an average lifetime?... Suffice it to say - many!

Our ongoing prayer needs to be, "God help me to desire Your ways, more than my ways; please help me to know Your ways". \*B-I-B-L-E

Sin runs deep. And so we need to walk with Christ daily and be quick to confess sin and repent of it, so that we don't reap of its *destructive* and *deadly consequences*.

### **\*Genesis 3:4+5**

2) We're *Still* Being Tempted To Rebel & Be Defiant, Along With Self-Worship & Idolatry.

The results have been disastrous. "You surely will not die" - Nor become addicted. "I can change. I'm smart. I can get out of this whenever I want"... These are some of the famous last words of those who've become enslaved to sin.

The very *desires & objects* that make people feel good - or successful, smart, or confident... Can be the very things that they can become enslaved to.

Many will see this as referring only to strong or ruthless rebellion. "Revolt is revolt - whether it is militant, blatant rebellion... Or quiet, respectable indifference."

It isn't our outward rebellion - but our heart that God will judge.

The good news is that: God gives us a way out!... Jesus Christ.

### **\*Genesis 3:6**

Much hasn't changed... He's still using sinful desires, along with objects of lust, that appeal to both our senses, & our sinful nature - which the New Testament refers to as, "The lust of the flesh, The lust of the eyes, & the boastful pride of life".

3) It Still Affects Us Today, As We Seek To Exchange God - In Order To Find Fulfillment In Sorry Substitutes, & Trifling Trinkets.

"Sin desires to have you, but you must master it". How do we master sin?... We can't. But the good news is, that Christ has!

One of the by-products of the gospel is, His resurrection power!