

All have Sinned

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God's word warns us throughout the Bible of sin, but like a child that wants to get a cookie from the cookie jar after being told NO, by their mother or father they ignore what they were told and sneak one out when the child thinks mom or dad isn't looking. The child believes they were clever and put one over mom or dad and believes they won't be caught.

The child will then repeat such behavior until they are confronted with the wrong they committed and made to correct and make right for what they did.

There's an old saying, "give someone enough rope and they'll hang themselves with it".

Are we born and predisposed to sin from birth. Depends to whom you may be asking the question from.

"Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me." – **Psalms 51:5**

Some have interpreted this verse as David's acknowledgment of the human condition of original sin. It means that all people were born with an inherent, inbred sinful nature that predisposes them to fall short of God's perfect standards.

There are differing theological views on this verse and the core interpretations fall into three main categories.

1. The Doctrine of Original Sin. John Calvin championed this view.

David is not simply confessing his specific sins (like his transgressions with Bathsheba), but is recognizing that his very nature is inherently flawed from the earliest moment of conception due to the fall of Adam and Eve.

Many whom are of the world today, would agree with that interpretation. It's not my fault, I was born this way.

Temptation and committing sin just doesn't happen, one has to be a willing participant.

- 2. The Influence of a Sinful World.** Other interpreters, including many in both Jewish and Christian tradition, argue that the verse is not meant to be a literal or biological statement. They suggest it highlights that David was born into a world saturated with sin. In this interpretation, David is acknowledging that his mother was a sinner, and that he was surrounded by and influenced by sinners from the day he was born.

Somebody else is to blame. The devil made me do it. Pushed me out on that terrace and there she was, with nothing on but a smile. My reference for what David did.

Most, if not all would agree that the world is saturated with sin but that doesn't negate the fact that one has free will. One can choose what they will do or say and by their actions they will be known and

judged. Not only by others of this world, but also by God. We are not responsible for the sin of others, unless we condone the sin and also do as they do.

Just as man is appointed to die once, and after that to face judgment. **Hebrews 9:27.**

That will be God's finale judgment upon ones immortal soul, it has a greater meaning on whose standards one chooses, God's or those of this world. We will all be judged on our own sins and will not be able to blame others for our neglect of the truth.

3. Poetic Exaggeration (Hyperbole)

As a piece of Hebrew poetry, some scholars propose that the verse was dramatic, hyperbolic language to emphasize the depth of David's guilt and sorrow, rather than a strict biological doctrine, David uses this extreme phrasing to express how profoundly broken he feels and how utterly dependent he is on God's mercy.

One should be dependent upon God's mercy, otherwise we're all toast.

All of mankind has the same universal condition when it comes to sin. We make excuses on why we sin for one reason or another. I've made a lot of excuses in the past for my sins. And many here today have done the same until, we dropped to our knees and ask to be forgiven of them.

“Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.” – Psalm 51:5

How should we interpret that verse, that because Davids mother was sinful, so therefore he also is sinful.

Or could we say that David was conceived and brought forth in a world that was, and still today is sinful rather than a biological inheritance of guilt from his mother. Monkey see, monkey do.

My father was a sinner, as was his father, and his fathers, father. So therefore I am too.

Do you see the connection with that sentence. Therefore if they were sinners how can God hold my sins against. I'm up the creek without a paddle. I had no choice but to sin.

There's an excuse to use. Someone in my bloodline sinned and God has cursed us forever.

Generational curses come from verses found in Exodus 20:5-6 and Deuteronomy 5:9-10

At first glance, this may suggest that children automatically suffer punishment for the sins of their parents. However, the broader biblical context clarifies that God's intent is to show how seriously He views idolatry and how deeply it can affect future generations. Children often follow in the sinful or faithful footsteps of their parents, and the consequences of each generation's actions naturally ripple forward. https://biblehub.com/q/what_are_generational_curses_in_the_bible.htm

David, is not excusing his mistakes by pointing to his birth; he is recognizing that his sins are symptoms of a deeper problem with corrupt desires of his heart and mind.

We see this in reading Psalm 51:3-4 For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned and done this evil in Your sight; so You are right in Your verdict and justified (blameless) when you judge."

David is professing his sins and taking accountability for them. Instead of controlling his lustful desire and turning away from his thoughts, he knows that what ever decision God makes, the penalty will be justified and God is blameless with His judgment upon David.

What is the difference between predisposition and disposition within the context of sin.

Personal ref. Only.

Predisposition {a liability or tendency to suffer from a particular condition, hold a particular attitude, or act in a particular way:

"a child may inherit a predisposition to schizophrenia"

"factors including genetic predisposition"

Disposition {a person's inherent qualities of mind and character:

"your sunny disposition has a way of rubbing off on those around you"

"he has the disposition of a saint"

"The Lord saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time" Genesis 6:5 (NIV).

This emphasizes that human corruption was an unwelcome, physical condition affecting not just actions but the very intentions and inclinations of the heart. The verse portrays a world in which moral and social restraints had broken down, leading to widespread sin and defiance of God.

God has revealed this world to all whose eyes are opened with just that one verse, Gen. 6:5

The phrase "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" comes from **Romans 3:23** and emphasizes the universal nature of sin. It means that **no human being can achieve God's perfect righteousness on their own**; everyone misses the mark of God's moral and spiritual standard, much like an archer who consistently falls short of the bull's-eye.

Sin is not just a one-time event but an ongoing struggle. Even believers, though forgiven, still face the battle against sin in thought, word, and action. *"For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me"* .Romans 7:22-23.

What was Cain told by the Lord. After rejecting Cain's offering and seeing his anger, God warns: *"If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it"*. Genesis 4:7.

We must take control over sin.

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

"If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us." **John 1:8-10.**

Jeremiah 17:9 "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?" I the Lord, search the heart, I test the mind, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

Man will also be given according to his, unrighteousness, his sins.

And we as imperfect beings continue to struggle within ourselves to do that which is right.

The old sinful nature remains until Christ returns as written in **1 Corinthians 15:53**.

For this corruption must put on in-corruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. **1 Corinthians 15:53**.

We have need for Divine Cleansing: By acknowledging that sin is woven into his human nature, David highlights his total inability to save himself. It underscores the desperate need for God to create a “clean heart” and renew a “right spirit” within him as it does for us.

In **Revelation 12:10**, the “accuser of our brethren” — Satan — is described as one who **accuses them before God day and night**. This imagery shows that sin and rebellion are not temporary; they are persistent and ever-present, with the devil actively bringing charges against believers until God intervenes.

Continual sin can lead to:

- 1. Spiritual stagnation** and separation from God (1 John 1:8–10)
 - 2. Desensitization** to sin, dismissing the Holy Spirit’s conviction (Galatians 6:7-8)
 - 3. Isolation** from God’s presence and blessings (Proverbs 28:13)
- God warns against **deliberate, repeated sin**.

For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins (Hebrews 10:26). This is a stern warning about apostasy, the complete and deliberate rejection of Yeshua after having accepted or understanding of the Christian faith and His sacrifice for our salvation. If one does not reject sin, than they reject Yeshua whom was sent to bear witness of the truth.

Hope in Repentance and Grace

While sin is a daily reality, God offers **forgiveness and restoration** through repentance and faith in Christ. Believers are called to:

Acknowledge sin and turn back to God (1 John 1:9)

Seek His strength to resist temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13)

Live in the freedom Christ has given, knowing we will be delivered from sin’s power in eternity
(Roman **6:23**)

In closing: “Sinning continually day and night” reflects the Bible’s teaching that sin is an ongoing reality for all, with the devil’s persistent accusations symbolizing its constant presence. Yet, through Christ’s sacrifice and the believer’s repentance, God provides grace, mercy, and ultimate victory over sin.

No one has to be a Cain, and all who come before the Lord and professes with a clean heart and renewed mind will be acceptable before God. They will find the peace and strength that only God can give and a relationship that they seek with God. Amen, Shabbat Shalom.