

Three Things **SIN** Will Always Do

Introduction

1. **Sin never delivers what it offers. >Some recognize this.**

Hebrews 11:24-25 By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,

2. **Samson's life illustrates this fact (Judges 16).**

Sin Will Always Take Us Farther than We Wanted to Go **Judges 16:4-20**

1. **Samson's Will was finally broken by the constant enticements of Delilah. (Verses 15-17)**

- A. **Other Enticements:**
Proverbs 1:10-16

1 Corinthians 15:33 Do not be deceived: "Evil company corrupts good habits."

Exodus 32:1-6, 21-24

2. **Sin, when given occasion will always progress into further evil.**

Psalms 1:1 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

2 Timothy 2:16-18 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. And their message will **spread like cancer.**

2 Timothy 3:13 But evil men and impostors **will grow worse and worse,** deceiving and being deceived.

Sin Will Always Keep Us Longer than We Wanted to Stay Judges 16:20-21

1. Samson had no intention of being and remaining bound (Vs 20).

A. Other Examples:

Proverbs:29-35

1) One drink leads to another and then another.

2 Peter 2:19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage.

B. The prodigal son never intended to stay in his condition as long as he did.

Luke 15:11-17

2. Beware of the controlling power of sin:

Romans 7:22-23

Romans 6:11-13, 16-18

1 Peter 4:1-4

Ephesians 4:22-24 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

A. Knowing God's word will help us control sin.

John 8:31-32 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Sin Will Always Cost Us More than We Intended to Pay: **Judges 16:30**

1. **Samson's recklessness with God's blessing cost him his sight, his dignity, his strength, his freedom and his life (Verses 21, 25, 30).**
 - A. **He finally acknowledged God as the source of his strength. (Vs 28-30).**

2. **Choosing sin will cost us:**
 - A. **Our Soul: (Rom 6:23)**

Matt 16:26 "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or **what will a man give in exchange for his soul?**

Luke 12:20-21 "But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

B. God's Fellowship:

2 John 9 Whoever transgresses and **does not abide in the doctrine** of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.

C. Peace of Mind, Peace with man & with God:

Philippians 4:6-7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, **will guard your hearts and minds** through Christ Jesus.

1) Sinners are alienated from God.

Colossians 1:21 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled.

D. Our dignity and our honor:

Ephesians 5:11-12 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret.

E. Heaven:

Revelation 21:7-8 "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. "But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Conclusion

1. Knowing that Sin will:

- A. Take us farther than we wanted to go.**
- B. Keep us longer than we wanted to stay.**
- C. Cost us more than we intended to pay.**

2. Then why will we not Pay the price of discipleship instead?

Luke 14:26-33

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