

The Confrontation of Sin

Our Reminders for this Series:

1. Sin is a _____ that all people share. However, the Bible tells us how to properly _____ with our sin. David is an example of that!
2. After we have sinned and _____ it appropriately, life will never be the same, but it can be _____!

The Scripture

2Sam. 11:27 After the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing David had done displeased the LORD.

2Sam. 12:1 The LORD sent Nathan to David. When he came to him, he said, "There were two men in a certain town, one rich and the other poor. 2 The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, 3 but the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb he had bought. He raised it, and it grew up with him and his children. It shared his food, drank from his cup and even slept in his arms. It was like a daughter to him. 4 "Now a traveler came to the rich man, but the rich man refrained from taking one of his own sheep or cattle to prepare a meal for the traveler who had come to him. Instead, he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man and prepared it for the one who had come to him." 5 David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the LORD lives, the man who did this deserves to die! 6 He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity." 7 Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man!"

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The Consequences of Sin
The Confession of Sin
The Continuation After Sin

Sin Brings Confrontation

Sin is something that you _____ "get away with."

"God does not allow His children to sin successfully." -- Charles Spurgeon

-- God _____ your thoughts and actions and He will confront you in many ways:

-- Through His _____.

2Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting . . .

-- Through your _____.

Rom. 2:15 since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, . . .

1Tim. 4:2 Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron.

-- Through others who are _____ enough (and close enough to you) to _____ you.

-- Through "_____." (only-God-moments)

-- Through circumstances where we get "_____."

David's Options After Confrontation:

1. He could have "_____ the messenger."
2. He could have _____ the accusation.
3. Instead, he chose to _____ and _____ the consequences.

Prov. 27:6 Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.

In Confrontation, Problems Come When . . .

1. We _____ to recognize our _____ sin.

2Sam. 12:5 David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the LORD lives, the man who did this deserves to die!"

Isn't it amazing how we can "_____ " the behavior of others even though we have acted in the _____ way?

2. We confess our sin but don't _____ our ways. (No repentance)

This is one of the _____ problems among believers today!

Rev. 2:5 Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.

3. We think we are _____ than others because we "_____ " sin. Often we rate sins as "big or small." By doing this we miss the _____ of our sin.

-- If you haven't committed the sins that you see as "_____ or public," then be _____ but don't be judgmental.

4. We _____ the seriousness or the complexity of our sin.

"I can handle this... It's not really a problem... I don't need any help... I don't need any counseling... I can quit any time... I can work it out on my own..." But we can't handle it and we can't quit. We have a problem. Most psychologists say that denial is the biggest barrier between us and emotional health."-- Rick Warren

5. We _____ others for our sin.

Gen. 3:12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me — she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

6. We don't _____ the consequences of sin and become _____.

7. We live under a cloud of _____ or _____ and fail to move on _____ we have received forgiveness.

Holy Communion Is A Time of Confrontation!

1Cor. 11:24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." . . . 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Remember to each of us the _____ says, "You are the man!"

