

VII. HAMARTIALOLOGY

A. Nature of Sin

1. *Definition* - Sin is the transgression of the law ^{I Jn 3:4}. It is a matter of action, not intent.
2. *Criteria* - Accountability for sin requires law ^{Ro 5:13}, but men have the law written in their hearts ^{Ro 2:14-15}.
3. *Origin* - Sin originated with the devil ^{I Jn 3:8}.
4. *Degrees* - Some sins are more egregious (serious) than others ^{Jn 19:11, Ge 13:13}.
5. *Finite* - Sin had a beginning ^{I Jn 3:8} and will have an ending for all eternity ^{Rev 21:4}.

B. Nature of Sinners

1. *Comprehensive* - All men have sinned ^{I Jn 1:8, Ro 5:12}.
2. *Qualitative* - The fact that a man commits one sin makes him a sinner ^{James 2:10-11}.
3. *Captive* - Sin is captivating to the participant ^{II Tim 2:26, Jn 8:34}.
4. *Temporary* - There is a payment for and freedom from sin available to the sinner ^{I Jn 2:1, Ro 6:12}.
5. *Release* - The born again believer is dead to sin and its effects ^{Ro 6:11, Ro 6:14}.

C. Consequences of Sin

1. *Separation from God* - Sin causes and mandates separation from God ^{Ge 3:23}.
2. *Guilt* - Sin brings guilt to the sinner ^{Ge 3:8}.
3. *Death* - Sin earns the sinner death ^{Ro 6:23}.
4. *Judgment* - Sin will always be judged ^{Heb 2:2-3}.
5. *Penalty* - Sin will always be punished ^{II Pe 2:9}.
6. *Suffering* - Sin brings suffering upon the sinner ^{Ec 2:26} and upon the object of the sin ^{Ex 10:16}.
7. *Deliverance* - There is an opportunity to be delivered from the accountability for sin ^{Ro 4:8}.
8. *Advocacy* - The Lord Jesus Christ is the friend of sinners and is their advocate ^{I Jn 2:1}.
9. *Cleansing* - There is cleansing available to all sinners ^{I Jn 1:7}.
10. *Forgiveness* - Sinners who confess ^{Mark 1:5}, repent ^{Lu 3:3}, and request forgiveness ^{Ro 10:13} can receive the free gift of salvation.

I Jn 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Ro 5:13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

Ro 2:14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves:

15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

I Jn 3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

Jn 19:11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.

Ge 13:13 But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.

Rev 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

I Jn 1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

Ro 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

James 2:10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. **11** For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

2Ti 2:26 And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

Jn 8:34 . . . Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.

I Jn 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: **2** And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Ro 6:11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. **12** Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. **13** Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Ge 3:23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden

Ge 3:8 Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

Ro 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Heb 2:2 For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; **3** How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation

II Pe 2:9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

Ex 10:16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

Ro 4:8 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

I Jn 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Mark 1:5 And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

Lu 3:3 . . . preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins