
Sin Gives Birth To Death

(Romans 6:23)

Theme Scripture:

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“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

1. The Nature of Sin and Its Deceptive Power

Sin is not merely an act; it is a spiritual condition that separates humanity from God. The Bible portrays sin as rebellion against divine order — a transgression of God’s holy law (1 John 3:4). When Adam and Eve disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden, sin

entered the world, and death came through sin (Romans 5:12).

From that moment, every person born of the flesh has inherited a sinful nature — the *Adamic nature* — which inclines us toward rebellion against God. Even before one commits outward acts of sin, the heart is already corrupted.

Jeremiah 17:9 (NKJV)

“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?” —

Sin always appears pleasurable at first (Hebrews 11:25), but its end is destruction. Like a poisonous fruit that looks beautiful but kills the eater, sin entices through temporary pleasure, yet pays its servant with everlasting death.

2. The Bondage of Sin

Jesus clearly declared:

John 8:34 (NKJV)

“Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.” —

Sin enslaves the soul. The sinner may think he is free, but in reality, he is chained to unseen spiritual bondage. Each act of sin tightens those chains — pride, lust, greed, bitterness, and deceit become cruel masters.

In the same way that a slave has no rights of his own and must serve his master, so the sinner serves sin until it destroys him. As Jesus added:

John 8:35 (NKJV)

“A slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever.” —

Only the Son — Jesus Christ — can set a sinner free:

John 8:36 (NKJV)

“Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.” —

The wages sin pays is not merely physical death but also spiritual separation from God — the second death (Revelation 20:14-15).

3. Sin's Deceptive Rewards and Ultimate Death

The Bible uses many analogies to describe sin's deceitful rewards.

- A laborer may work hard all his life yet be cheated at the end.
- An ox may toil on the farm, plowing hundreds of acres, only to be slaughtered when it grows old.

Likewise, a sinner may labor under sin's control for years — achieving fame, wealth, or pleasure — yet in the end, sin pays him with death.

“Proverbs 14:12 (NKJV)

There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death.” —

Even when sin brings temporal success, it carries within it the seeds of destruction. Adultery, fornication, corruption, idolatry, lies, witchcraft, or hatred may seem harmless, but they slowly kill the soul and eventually bring judgment.

4. The Process of Sin: From Desire to Death

James outlines the anatomy of sin:

James 1:14-15 (NKJV)

“Each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.” —

The progression is clear:

1. Desire — A thought or feeling contrary to God’s will.
2. Deception — The enemy convinces the mind that the act is harmless or justified.
3. Disobedience — The person acts upon the temptation.
4. Death — The consequence, both physical and spiritual.

This is why Scripture commands:

2 Timothy 2:22 (NKJV)

Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.” —

When desire rules the heart, death becomes inevitable.

5. The Different Faces of Death

Sin produces death in multiple forms:

a. Spiritual Death

This is the separation of the soul from God — the greatest tragedy of all. Adam did not die physically the day he sinned, but spiritually he became separated from God’s presence (Genesis 3:23-24).

b. Physical Death

Many physical deaths in Scripture were the result of sin. Ananias

and Sapphira died instantly because of deceit (Acts 5:1-11). Samson's disobedience led to his death among the Philistines (Judges 16:28-30).

c. Eternal Death

This is the "second death" — eternal punishment in the lake of fire for all who reject Christ (Revelation 21:8).

6. Common Sins That Lead to Death Today

- Sexual immorality and adultery: 1 Corinthians 6:18 warns, *"Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body."*
- Corruption and dishonesty: Proverbs 11:1 says, *"Dishonest scales are an abomination to the Lord."*
- Hatred and unforgiveness: 1 John 3:15 — *"Whoever hates his*

brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.”

- Rebellion and disrespect to parents: Ephesians 6:1-3 — *“Honor your father and mother... that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.”*
- Idolatry and witchcraft: Galatians 5:19-21 lists them among the works of the flesh that lead to death.

7. The Inevitability of Death and the Urgency of Repentance

Ecclesiastes 8:8 (NKJV)

“No one has power over the spirit to retain the spirit, and no one has power in the day of death.” —

Death is not something we can schedule or resist. It comes

suddenly, like sleep — and after death, judgment follows.

Hebrews 9:27 (NKJV)

“It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.”

Therefore, the call to repentance is not to be delayed. Jesus still opens the door of mercy to all who will turn away from sin.

8. The Hope of Redemption in Christ

God does not delight in the death of sinners:

Ezekiel 33:11 (NKJV)

“‘As I live,’ says the Lord GOD, ‘I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live.’”

Christ came to destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8). On the cross, He bore our sins and conquered death so that those who believe in Him might receive eternal life.

John 11:25 (NKJV)

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.” —

Salvation is not earned by works but is the free gift of God:

“Ephesians 2:8 (NKJV)

By grace you have been saved through faith... it is the gift of God.”

9. The Call to New Life

To escape the wages of sin, one must be born again (John 3:3).

The moment you receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, your sins are forgiven, and you are made new.

Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” —

Those who are in Christ no longer walk in darkness but in the light of life (John 8:12).

10. Final Exhortation and Warning

Beloved, remember this:

Romans 6:23 (NKJV)

“The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” —

Sin offers pleasure for a moment, but Christ offers life everlasting. The door of grace is still open, but it will not remain open forever.

Repent now, for the coming of the Lord is near.

Revelation 22:11 (NKJV)

“He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.” —

Choose life — choose Christ.

Maranatha! The Lord is coming soon.

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