

LESSON 13: CHRISTIANS BELIEVE IN SIN & FORGIVENESS

Discussion and review of last week's meeting, readings and events.

(I) WHAT IS SIN?

- (A) Isaiah 1:2
- (B) Isaiah 53:6

(II) WHO SINS?

- (A) Romans 3:23

(III) WHERE DOES SIN COME FROM?

- (A) Isaiah 14:12-15

(IV) WHY DO I SIN?

- (A) Adam's decision in the Garden of Eden:
- (B) God told Adam not to eat the fruit of the tree of Knowledge and of the tree of Good and Evil – Genesis 2:9, 16, 17
- (C) Sin in the human race originated in Adam's free decision to disobey God's will - Genesis 3:1-6
- (D) The effects of Adam's decision on us today:
 - (1) Sin entered the world through one man, Adam – Romans 5:12
 - (2) Adam's sin separated man from God – Genesis 3:22
 - (3) Adam's sin resulted in both physical and spiritual death for man:
 - (a) Physical Death – separation of the soul from the body, Gen 3:19
 - (b) Spiritual Death – separation of the soul from God for eternity
Romans 6:23, 2 Thessalonians 1:8-10, Revelation 21:8
- (E) Therefore I sin because I am a Sinner.

(V) SALVATION

(A) Definition of salvation

(1) Being saved from the penalty, power and dominion of sin in our life and from eternity apart from God.

(2) What is God's gift (grace) to us? John 3:16; Romans 6:23

(B) How are you saved?

(1) Ephesians 3:8-9

(c) What do we put our faith in for salvation?

(1) Romans 10:9, 10, 13

(VI) FORGIVENESS

(A) Definition of forgiveness is an act of pardon.

(B) What does God want to do with your sin?

(1) 1 John 1:7-10

(C) What must we be willing to do?

(1) Mark 11:25,25

(D) How does God now see my sin?

(1) Isaiah 43:25

(2) Jeremiah 31:34

(E) What is our response to God's gift (grace) of salvation to us (grace)?

(1) Ephesians 2:10

(F) Salvation is a free gift from God. We have to "Recognize" our sin, "Receive" Jesus Christ as our personal Lord and Savior, and "Rejoice" that God has given us eternal life in His Son.

Pray for one another.

