

- People are sinful by nature. They are sinners. They sin because they have a sin nature.
- Sin has consequences.
- Consequences are the results of an action or a decision.
- God is holy, and He does not tolerate sin. His judgment involves consequences for sin.
- God's judgment is always righteous.
- Romans 3:23 teaches that every person has sinned and fallen short of God's glory.
- The people who built the Tower of Babel sinned by disobeying God's command to scatter and by trying to make a name for themselves. They received God's judgment when He confused their language and scattered them throughout the earth.
- Sin damages relationships with other people.
- King David's sin with Bathsheba led to another sin--murder. King David and his family received God's righteous judgment for his sin.
- People reap what they sow. If they sow sin, they will reap the consequences of sin.
- Peter failed terribly by lying three times, each time claiming not to know Jesus.
- When Peter realized he had failed Jesus, he experienced feelings of guilt and heartache.
- A guilty conscience is a consequence of sin. Sadness over sin should motivate each believer to reach out to God, repent, and ask for forgiveness.
- Jesus knew that Peter was sorry for his sin. He forgave Peter and restored him to a right relationship with Himself. God greatly used Peter to tell others about Jesus.
- God forgives people through Jesus Christ when they confess their sin and turn away from it. People need God's forgiveness through Jesus in order to have a right relationship with Him.
- The Holy Spirit helps Christians make good decisions when they are tempted so that they can avoid sin and its consequences.
- The old nature is the way people naturally behave before coming to faith in Jesus Christ.
- The new nature is the pattern of living that results from having a relationship with Jesus and following His example.