

BRINGING TO LIGHT SOME OBSCURE SINS

- Introduction:
1. The Bible records some very blatant sins committed by people as well as some that are more subtle.
 2. It is not that the sins cannot be recognized for what they are, it is simply that in the whole context, we sometimes choose to overlook them.
 3. But I believe that practice to be very dangerous. For it often translates into the lives of some people.
 4. Let us examine a few obscure sins that are sometimes repeated today.

I. FAILING TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY

- A. (Genesis 3:1-7).
- B. Within the arrangement of the home, God gave man headship responsibilities.
 1. (I Corinthians 11:3).
 2. (Ephesians 5:23).
- C. Adam, who was with Eve (Genesis 3:6), did not provide the headship or leadership he should have provided.
- D. It is the case today, that husbands and fathers do not provide the headship or leadership their home needs.
- E. (Ephesians 6:4; 5:25).

II. SELFISHNESS

- A. (Genesis 3:7-13).
- B. The very first fruit of disobedience seemed to be selfishness.
 1. Suddenly Adam and Eve looked inward.
 2. Suddenly they developed an unwholesome concern for self.
- C. Notice how they shifted blame because of they had become self oriented.
- D. (I Corinthians 10:24) "Let no man seek his own, but each one the other's well being."
- E. (Philippians 2:3-4).
- F. Let's invest in the lives of others; let's get outside of ourselves.

III. ANONYMITY

- A. (John 19:38).
- B. What possible good would a secret disciple be to God?
- C. (Mark 8:38).
- D. (Matthew 5:15-16).
- E. (Romans 1:16).
- F. *"You Never Mentioned Him To Me"*

IV. INTELLECTUAL DISHONESTY

- A. (Acts 17:1-5).
- B. Paul had reasoned, explained, and demonstrated the truth from the Scriptures, but some continued in unbelief.
- C. Christianity demands humility within a person (James 4:10).
- D. Past beliefs, current practices, or traditional views cannot be allowed to stand in the way of truth.
- E. Are we really lovers and seekers of truth?
- F. (Matthew 15:9).

- Conclusion:
1. As I said in the beginning, some sins recorded in the Bible have stayed tucked away in the corner, without much attention given to them.
 2. But I believe we need to give attention to them, for we may be guilty of the very same sins.