



Easter

LUKE 22:53 NLT

“Why didn’t you arrest me in the Temple? I was there every day. But this is your moment, the time when the power of darkness reigns.”

EPHESIANS 6:12 NIV

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Sin is judged harshly by God

ROMANS 2:5 NIV

But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed.

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ROMANS 2:6-7 NIV

God will repay each person according to what they have done. ⁷ To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life.

Sin is judged harshly by God

ROMANS 2:8 NIV

But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger.

Sin is unmanageable

JAMES 1:14-15 NIV

...but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed.
¹⁵ Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

***Sin is used by Satan to
disrupt and destroy lives***

1 PETER 5:8 NIV

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

Sin yields collateral suffering

QUOTE FROM JEN WILKIN

“We instinctively divide our sins into two categories: those that affect our neighbor and those that affect only us. The ancient god of individualism whispers that some sins are just between God and me...”

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“...If there are consequences, they will impact only me. And this is simply not true. The consistent message of the Bible is this: Personal sin yields collateral suffering, without fail.”

***Sin changes the one who
chooses to willfully disobey God***

ROMANS 6:1-2a NIV

What shall we say then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! (God forbid!)

TITUS 2:11-12 NIV

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.¹² It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age,...

TITUS 2:13-14 NIV

...while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.



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ROMANS 8:1 NIV

***There is now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus...***

THE GOSPELS

Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to visit the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. On the way they were asking each other, *“Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?”*

THE GOSPELS

Suddenly there was a great earthquake! For an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, rolled aside the stone, and sat on it. His face shone like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow.

THE GOSPELS

The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and they fell into a dead faint. The women were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the angel spoke to the women. “*Don’t be afraid!*” he said. “*I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified...*”

THE GOSPELS

“...He is not here! He is risen from the dead, just as he said would happen. Look, this is where they laid his body. Now go and tell his disciples.” The women ran quickly from the tomb. They were very frightened but also filled with great joy...

THE GOSPELS

They rushed back from the tomb to tell his eleven disciples—and everyone else—what had happened.

1 CORINTHIANS 15: 54b-55 NIV

...*“Death has been swallowed up in victory.”*

⁵⁵ *“Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?”*

1 CORINTHIANS 15:56-57 NIV

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.⁵⁷ But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:58 NIV

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

***Lord Jesus, I ask you to come into my life, right now.
I believe you died on the cross and rose again for me.***

I know I'm a sinner; I've done wrong.

***I ask you to forgive my sin and cleanse me from all
unrighteousness. I now accept you as my Savior and
will follow you as my Lord all the days of my life.***

Thank you for saving me.

JOHN 6:47 NIV

“I tell you the truth, the one who believes has eternal life.”