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## What We Believe

### “Hamartiology: The Doctrine Of Sin” Romans 3:23

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Introduction: As we continue our focus on doctrine, we come to Hamartiology: The Doctrine Of Sin.

1. Sin is the reality that has dominated human history & must be understood if we hope to escape its devastating consequence.
2. Unfortunately, that understanding is elusive in a culture that progressively rejects God, His absolute truth & embraces moral relativism.
3. Our current reality makes understanding sin essential.

#### I. A Definition Of Sin

- A. Lack Of Conformity
- B. Act, Thought, Attitude, State Of Being
- C. Omission/Commission
- D. Special Sins

#### II. The Origins Of Sin

- A. After Genesis 1:31
- B. Satan/Demons
- C. Man

#### III. The Culpability Of Sin

- A. The Test
- B. The Failure

#### C. The Consequence

#### IV. The Universality Of Sin

- A. Extends To All Mankind
- B. Total Depravity: Intellect, Emotion, Will

#### V. The Consequence Of Sin

- A. Physical Death
- B. Spiritual Death
- C. Eternal Death

Conclusion: If this were the end of the story, we would be in trouble.

1. The good news is this is not the final word.
2. Next week we'll focus on Soteriology: The Doctrine Of Salvation.
3. Because of the person & work of Christ, sin & death have been defeated.
4. In Adam we all died. In Christ we can live.
5. Sin is real. It is foolish to deny it or dismiss it.
6. Instead, bring it to Jesus.
  - He'll forgive you.
  - He'll transform you.
  - He'll use you.