

Romans 3:23

“...all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

The Doctrine of Sin

Outline

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- 2. The Prognosis*
- 3. The Cure*

Romans 3:23 “all have sinned and fall short of **the glory of God.**”

Glory = Doxa

Doxa = Praise, Honor, Glory

1 Diagnosis

Romans 3:23 “all have sinned and fall short of **the glory of God.**”

The Glory of God is the way it's supposed to be...

*Glory = **Doxa (Original Greek)***

*Doxa = **Praise, Honor, Glory***

1 Diagnosis

Romans 3:23 “*all have sinned and fall short of **the glory of God.***”

God is worthy of our praise for...

- Revealing Himself to us through His word.
- His transcendence and immanence.
- His holiness.
- His sovereign rule over all.
- His limitless power.
- His creating all things.
- Creating us in His image.

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Our purpose is to glorify God.

We **fall short** of this purpose when we fail to glorify God in how we live, think, and feel.

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Commission (doing wrong)

Omission (not doing what's right)

James 4:17 *“So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.”*

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Unrespectable and Respectable Sin

***Matthew 5:21** “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’**22** But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment;*

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Unrespectable and Respectable Sin

Matthew 5:27 “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’**28** But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

1 Diagnosis

Romans 3:23 *“For all **have sinned** and fall short of the glory of God.”*

Transgression (what we do)

Iniquity (who we are)

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Romans 3:9-11

9 What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, **10** as it is written:

“None is righteous, no, not one;

11 no one understands;
no one seeks for God.

1 Diagnosis

Romans 3:23 “..**all** have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 3:12-13

12 All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;
no one does good,
not even one.”

13 “Their throat is an open grave;
they use their tongues to deceive.”

“The venom of asps is under their lips.”

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Romans 3:14-18

14 “Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness.”

15 “Their feet are swift to shed blood;

16 in their paths are ruin and misery,

17 and the way of peace they have not known.”

18 “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

1 Diagnosis

2 Prognosis

In this life...

- Sin will be **present**
- Sin will be a **powerful** force
- Sin will bring the **penalty** of death

3 Cure

Romans 3:23

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”

24 “And are justified by his grace as a gift, though the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.”

3 Cure

2 Corinthians 5:21

“For our sake he (God) made him (Jesus) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him (Jesus) we might become the righteousness of God.”

3 Cure

In Christ...

- The Penalty of Sin is Paid (Rom. 6:24)
- The Power of Sin is Loosened (Rom. 6:14)
- The Presence of Sin will be no more...

3 Cure

1 John 3:2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.

Reflection/Communion

Ask - “God, where have I fallen short of your glory?”

Confess - “God, forgive me for sinning against you.”

Trust - “God, thank you for Christ becoming sin for me, so I can be righteous in you.”