

“Bad Words”
Three-part Series
Sunday, October 25th, 2020

PART 1: “Sin”

INIQUITY describes behavior that is crooked.

TRANSGRESSION refers to breaking trust.

SIN is the most common of these “bad words” in The Bible, so let’s focus on this one to begin this series.

In its most basic form, the word “sin” simply means to miss the mark or fall short of a goal.

Get ready to discover a profound and realistic portrait of the human condition.

Sin translates the Hebrew word “khata” and the Greek word “hamartia.”

So, sin is a failure to love God and others by not treating them with the honor they deserve.

Failing to honor God is deeply connected to failing to honor people.

Sin against people is also sin against God.

Sin is about far more than just “doing bad things.”

Genesis 4:6-7 (NIV)

“Then the Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it.””

Sin is rooted in desires and selfish urges to act for our own benefit at the expense of others and it leads to a chain reaction of relationship breakdowns all around us.

Romans 7:15-17 (NIV)

“I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me.”

1. It’s a failure to be people who fully love God and others.
2. It’s our inability to judge whether we are succeeding or failing.
3. It’s that deep selfish impulse that drives much of our behavior.

This is why the story of Jesus is such GOOD NEWS!

1 Peter 2:22-24 (NIV)

““He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.” When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his wounds you have been healed.””

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