The allure of living life with a dragon (SIN), disguises the fact that one day it will be out of our control



Sin is the choice to engage in that which God has called us to be removed from



"If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn't do it, it is sin for them."

James 4:17



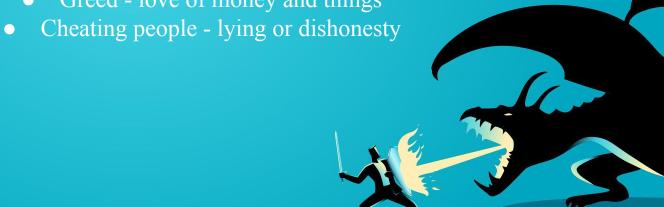
"The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy: drunkenness, wild parties and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God." Galatians 5:19-21

"Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit

the kingdom of God."

1 Corinthians 6:9-10

- Sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, sexual sin, prostitution and homosexuality
 - Idolatry worshiping something other than God
 - Witchcraft the use of drugs
 - Hostility, fighting, rage and abusiveness
 - Selfishness
 - Envy wanting what others have
 - Drunkenness
 - Wild Parties
 - Stealing
 - Greed love of money and things



"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want."

Galatians 5:16-17

With temptation there is still hope, with sin there is only hurt



Know what temptations are difficult for YOU to overcome



1.) Recognize your tendency toward sin



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



Knowing your sin tendencies will be **KEY** in slaying your sin



2.) Run away from the temptation



"No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

1 Corinthians 10:13



3.) Resist with God's Word



"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12



4.) Refocus with worship



"'All this I will give you,' he said, 'if you will bow down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"

Matthew 4:9-10



5.) Repent quickly when you fail



"Then after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full grown, gives birth to death."

James 1:15



"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

1 John 1:9



Just because you commit a sin doesn't mean you are no longer a Christ follower.



You can't continue to live in sin AND live for Christ.



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Galatians 5:17



"Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires." Galatians 5:24

