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☞ “Can a man take fire in his bosom, And his clothes not be burned? Or can one walk upon hot coals, And his feet not be scorched? So he that goeth in to his neighbor's wife; Whosoever toucheth her shall not be unpunished. Men do not despise a thief, if he steal To satisfy himself when he is hungry: But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; He shall give all the substance of his house.” **(continued)**

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☞ “He that committeth adultery with a woman is void of understanding: He doeth it who would destroy his own soul. Wounds and dishonor shall he get; And his reproach shall not be wiped away.”

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- **God will forgive as we repent and we can be whiter than snow... but the marks of sin may linger**

☞ “Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and **I shall be whiter than snow.**”
Psalms 51:7

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- **The marks of sin may linger**

☞ “When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth. And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear. Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.” **(continued) Genesis 4:12-15**

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- **The marks of sin may linger**

☞ “And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. **And the LORD set a mark upon Cain**, lest any finding him should kill him.” **Genesis 4:12-15**

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- **Paul was forgiven... yet the mark of sin was evident as he referred to himself years later as the chiefest of sinners**

☞ “And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry; Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief. And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.” **(continued) 1 Timothy 1:12-16**

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- **Paul was forgiven... yet the mark of sin was evident as he referred to himself years later as the chiefest of sinners**

☞ “This *is* a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting.”
1 Timothy 1:12-16

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- **Peter became a great defender of the faith... yet did he ever forget the occasion when he denied Jesus**

☞ “And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. **And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered** the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crew, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.” **Luke 22:60-62**

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- God warns us even as parents do their children... His warning to Cain

☞ “And Jehovah said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shall it not be lifted up? and if thou doest not well, **sin coucheth at the door: and unto thee shall be its desire, but do thou rule over it.**” **Genesis 4:6-7**

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- God warns us even as parents do their children

☞ “Wherefore, my beloved, **flee from idolatry.**” **1 Corinthians 10:13**

☞ “**Flee fornication.** Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.” **1 Corinthians 6:18**

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- God warns us even as parents do their children

☞ “**Flee also youthful lusts:** but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.” **2 Timothy 2:22**

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☞ “**For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil:** which some reaching after have been led astray from the faith, and have pierced themselves through with many sorrows. **But thou, O man of God, flee these things;** and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.” **1 Timothy 6:10-11**

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- God warns us even as parents do their children

☞ “Be not deceived: **Evil companionships corrupt good morals.**” **1 Corinthians 15:33**

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- As God warns us we... must remember that His instruction is best for us

☞ “Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: **and his commandments are not grievous.**” **1 John 5:1-3**

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- ❑ Sin may be enticing, but any pleasure will be only for the moment

☞ “By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to **enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season**; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompense of the reward.” **Hebrews 11:24-26**

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- ❑ Listen! Pay attention!

☞ “Now therefore, **listen to me**, my children; **Pay attention** to the words of my mouth: Do not let your heart turn aside to her ways, **Do not stray into her paths; For she has cast down many wounded**, And all who were slain by her were strong *men*. Her house *is* the way to hell, Descending to the chambers of death.”

Proverbs 7:24-27

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- ❑ The younger one is, the greater the opportunity to avoid sin and the marks that one may bear for a lifetime

☞ “**Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth**, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.” **Ecclesiastes 12:1**
