

Purpose

- To understand what sin is, what it does and how to be forgiven of it.

Sin

Romans 3:23-24

Q: *In the illustration below, who is farthest from God?*

- ALL people have sinned and have been separated from God.

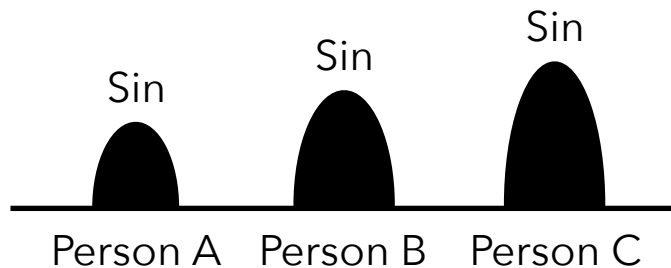
2 Timothy 3:1-7

Galatians 5:19-21

Q: What does sin produce in our lives?

Galatians 5:22-23

Q: What does the Holy Spirit produce in our lives?



Salvation

Acts 2:36-41

Q: What was their response? (v37)

Q: Why were they cut to the heart?

- Repentance is changing the way you think, which results in changing the way you live your life.
- Baptism is complete immersion in water.
- The Holy Spirit is the indwelling of God's presence in your life.
- The promise of salvation is for everyone to be in the grace of God and have a relationship with him.
- Why did Peter plead with them?

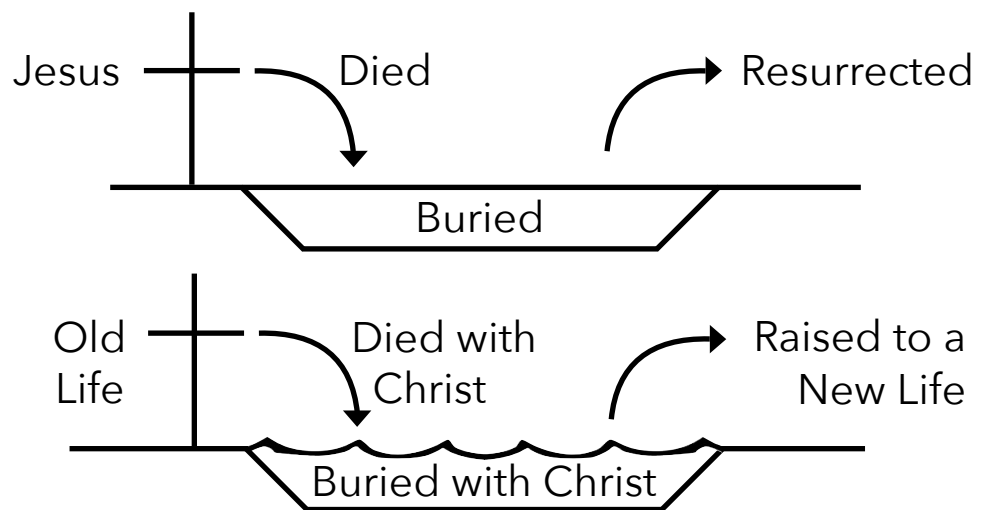
2 Corinthians 7:10-11

Q: What is the difference between Godly Sorrow and Worldly Sorrow?

- Worldly Sorrow is characterized by shame, depression, inward focus and frustration, which leads to no change.
- Godly Sorrow is characterized by indignation, alarm and eagerness, which leads to complete life change.

Romans 6:1-4

- Baptism is the *participation* in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. See illustration.



- The point in time sins are forgiven is when a repentant believer is baptized.

James 5:16

Q: What can help us heal?

- A lifestyle of confession sets us free from guilt and shame.

Faith in Action

1. Write a letter to God (a written prayer) describing the things that you have done that sent Jesus to the Cross.

For Further Study

- Isaiah 59:1-2, 1 Peter 3:21, James 4:17, 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, Acts 26:20, Mark 7:20-21