



SIN AND GOD'S LAW

A guided discussion on the topic of sin and God's law

OPENER

What is sin?

Prompts if no response: Missing the mark, breaking God's law, doing something wrong, not doing the right thing, doing nothing when you should do something good.

Discussion Question 1:

What are some sins God says not to do?

Prompts if no response: Stealing, breaking the Sabbath, murdering, lying, taking his name in vain, taking advantage of or abusing others, being hypocritical (define with examples that are age appropriate), showing partiality, getting drunk, hating others, doing drugs, being prideful or arrogant, etc.

Discussion Question 2:

Why do you think God hates sin?

Prompts if no response: It hurts us and it hurts others; it creates misery and leads to death for all of mankind if it's not repented of; it messes up lots of beautiful things God created for humans to enjoy; it distorts what God wants for His children.

Discussion Question 3:

Why do you think God established His Law?

Prompts if no response: To give human beings boundaries and guardrails to keep them safe and happy, to definitively show what is right and what is wrong so there isn't confusion, to instill His perfect values and integrity within human beings so that they can learn to be like Him before becoming spirit beings.





Hypothetical:

What would you think or say if you heard this: “Jesus Christ died for my sins, so there are parts of the Law that are nailed to the cross and done away with, like keeping the Sabbath, the Holy Days, tithing, and eating unclean meats.”

Prompts if no response: God doesn't change his mind on what sins or abominations are simply because it is thousands of years later; Jesus Christ came to fulfill or complete the Law, or in other words, magnify with spiritual intent added, not get rid of it; eating clean meats is part of being holy; keeping the Sabbaths and Holy Days are identifying signs of God's people; God says not tithing is like robbing Him; just because Christ died for our sins and forgave us doesn't mean we should just do the same sins that got us in trouble in the first place.



CLOSER

What are some deeper values from God's law that go beyond just the letter of the Law?

Prompts if no response: No stealing means respecting property, and no lying means valuing the truth.

SCRIPTURES FOR MORE STUDY OR REFERENCE

Romans 3:23, 6:23; 1 John 3:4, 5:3; Matthew 5:17-19