

## Ice Breaker:

During your growing up years, did you ever get into big trouble with your parents or tell a lie to cover up for something you did?

## Discussion:

**1. Read Genesis 3:1-7**

Sin begins with a lie about God. What was the lie the Serpent told Eve? What are some of the lies you have been told about God?

**2. Read Romans 6:23**

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. According to scripture, sin is deadly serious. How does this verse teach us to live? What are some things that your church or family had as the don't do list?

**3. Read Romans 1:18-25**

During his sermon, Josh stated that God loves peace and hates sin. He compared sin to idolatry – making good things into ultimate things that take the place of God. Josh also shared a quote from Tim Keller: “Sin is building your identity – your self-worth and happiness – on anything other than God.”

Have you ever found yourself trying to build your identity, self-worth or happiness on something other than God at any point in your life? Do you recognize any idols in your life now or is there something that is trying to be, or tempting you?

4. In today's world, it is easy to be tempted and fall prey to the same tempting question: “Did God really say...?” How can something good – beauty, nourishment or wisdom conveyed by the fruit be wrong when it feels so good? What does this imply for our “if it feels good, do it generation? How can you respond to the choices that God is giving you now?

## The Bottom Line:

Josh posed the question – What is wrong with the world today? The answer he gave is the problem is not out there, but within us - our propensity to sin. The end of the story is God's plan to save us. The solution is Jesus. Any thoughts on these statements? How do these statements make you feel about sin and God's solution to sin?

## Prayer Requests:

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

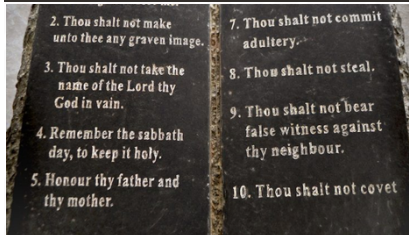
### VIDEO



**N.T. Wright | What's Wrong with the World?**

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### ARTICLE



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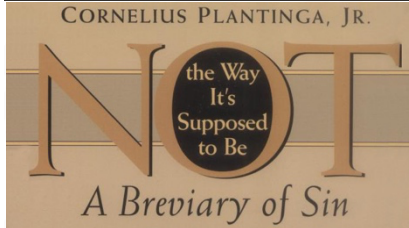
### PODCAST



**If Sin has Its Own Consequences, What Does God Actually Forgive?**

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### BOOK



**Not the Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin by Cornelius Plantinga Jr.**

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