

# How To Deal With Sin!

Karl Menninger:

“Whatever Became of Sin”

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John MacArthur

*“People today minimize and redefine sin, often alleging that the “failures” of their lives and certain “disorders” exist because of how others have treated them. The victim mentality reigns supreme as popular culture comforts itself in affirming that people are basically good and whatever may be wrong is not really wrong, but merely a preference of personal freedom. Instead of accepting responsibility for their behavior, people demand to be accepted as they are.”*

# What The Bible Means By Sin

*There are at least 22 words for it in the bible, each revealing something different to us about the nature of sin.*

*~To be broken*

*~To be blemished*

*~To miss the mark*

*~To wander from path*

*~To be crooked*

*~To rebel*

*~To cross over a line*

*~To be lawless*

*~To act unjustly*

*~To fall short*

*~To disobey*

*~Omit to do right*

# How To Deal With Sin! (Or Not!)

**1 John 1:5-2:2**

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# How To Deal With Sin

## # 1: Lie About It!

- Lie to others: 1:6
- Lie to yourself: 1:8
- Lie to God: 1:10

# What God Says About Sin

*"There is not a righteous man on earth who continually does good and who never sins."*

**Eccl 7:20**

*"As it is written, there is none righteous, not even one..."*

**Rom 3:10**

*"And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world."*

**Eph 2:1**

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## # 2: Confess It!

- Confess: Lit = *to say the same thing as; admit truth of an accusation*
- Forgives: Lit = *to send away; to forgive a debt; to remit or release from obligation, cancel a debt*
- Purifies: Lit = *to cleanse; to clean or purge; to remove pollution or uncleanness*

## John Says Jesus is our:

- Atoning Sacrifice: (Propitiation)

*Lit = the one who paid the price of sin to satisfy the justice of God;*

*~Sufficient for the sin of the world*

*~Operational in those that believe (Jn 1)*

### Advocate:

**Lit = one called alongside to help; one who speaks in another's defense; one who argues in your favor**

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## # 3: Overcome It!

- Obey His Commands: vs 5
- Walk (Live) Like Jesus: vs 6
  - ~Worshipping Weekly
  - ~Private Prayer and Listening
  - ~Teaching/Sharing what you hear

*"I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does."*

John 5:19



# Questions For Today

How do you deal with sin in your life?

Have you ever confessed your sin and sought forgiveness?

Are you struggling to overcome sin in your life?