

## What God says about... SIN

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### ***Talking about sin?***

1. What do you think of when you hear the word “sin”? Do people like to talk about sin? Why do you think that is?

### ***Original Sin...***

2. *Read Genesis 2:15-3:24.* Even though the word “sin” isn’t used, this passage clearly speaks about the origins of sin. How is sin described in this passage? What is it?
3. What do we learn about where sin came from? (And what aren’t we told?)
4. What changes as a result of sin entering the world?
5. What do we learn about the operation of sin, about the process that can be involved when we actually sin?
6. *Read Romans 5:12-21.* What further insights do we gain from Paul’s understanding of what happened in “the fall”?

### ***Sin became exceedingly sinful...***

7. Consider each the following texts, and not what they confirm or add to our understanding of sin:
  - a. Genesis 8:21
  - b. Psalm 51:1-5
  - c. Mark 7:18-23
  - d. Mark 9:42-48
  - e. Romans 7:14-25
  - f. Romans 8:7-8
  - g. James 1:13-15

### ***Implications and Applications...***

8. How would you define “sin”?
9. If you notice sin in your life, what should you do?
10. If you don’t notice sin in your life, what should you do?
11. What implications does an understanding of sin have on how we do evangelism?

*[After the discussion, take some time to pray together, about what you studied, and also sharing any other personal prayer requests.]*