

SIN

DEFINITIONS:

Chata & chatta'ah - (Hebrew) translated by the word "sin"; means "to miss", and described as an offense.

Hamartano - (Greek) translated by the word "sin"; means "to miss the mark". (As an archer missing the mark of the bullseye).

Avown - (Hebrew) translated by the word "iniquity"; defined as perversity (i.e. moral evil)

Anomia - (Greek) translated by the words "iniquity", "transgress", "transgression", and "unrighteousness"; defined as illegality (i.e. violation of the law).

Abar - (Hebrew) translated by the word "transgress"; means to cross over or go beyond.

Pasha & pesha - (Hebrew) translated by the words "transgress" and "transgression"; meaning to break away, to revolt and rebellion.

Parabaino - (Greek) translated by the word "transgress"; means to go contrary (i.e. to violate).

Sin, with reference to mankind's and God, is the transgression of God's Torah and the principles connected to Torah.

I. Types of Sin

- A. Sins of commission - involves doing what God has said not to be done
- B. Sins of omission - involves not doing what God has said should be done

II. What constitutes sin?

- A. Sin is the transgression of God's Torah (I John 3:4)
- B. Sin is committed in the heart and mind before it is actually performed (Matt. 5:28; 15:19)
- C. Sin is knowing to do good and not doing it (James 4:17)
- D. Sin is exercising ones biblical freedoms with the knowledge that it may be a stumbling block to a brother or sister weak in faith causing them to fall. (Rom. 14)

III. Consequences of Sin

- A. Payment of death (Rom. 6:23)
- B. Separation from God (Isaiah 59:2)
- C. Brings curses and removes the blessings of God (Deut. 27:15-26; 28:1-48)

IV. Sin and mankind

- A. Born in sin as a result of Adam's disobedience (Psalm 51:7; Rom. 5:12)
- B. Possesses a sinful nature

- C. A slave to sin (John 8:34; Rom. 6:17)
- D. Must be saved from sin

V. Sin and the Believer

- A. Delivered from sin (Rom. 6:18)
- B. Has power over sin

V. Sin and the Believer (cont.)

- C. Not controlled by sin (Rom. 6:14)
- D. Does not continue to practice sin (I John 3:6,9)