

"The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person. 14 For God will bring every act to judgment, everything which is hidden, whether it is good or evil."

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

"But if you will not do so, behold, you have sinned against the LORD, and be sure your sin will find you out."

Numbers 32:23

1) Consequences Of Sin A. Commonly Considered: 1) Sin Makes Us An Enemy of God (James 4:4) 2) Sin Makes Us A Friend of The Devil (1 Jn. 2:15-16) 3) Sin Condemns Our Souls to Hell (Rom. 6:23)

1) Consequences Of Sin B. Often Forgotten: 1) Sin Affects the Lives of Others

2) My Sins... A. Hinder The Work of God (Mk. 16:15-16) 1) Old Testament: Achan (Joshua 6:18-19; 7:1-13, 19-21) 2) New Testament: Adulterous Marriage (1 Cor. 5:1-8) B. Hinder My Prayers For Others (Isa. 59:1-2; Prov. 28:9; James 5:16)

"Behold, the LORD's hand is not so short
That it cannot save; Nor is His ear so dull
That it cannot hear. ² But <u>your iniquities</u>
have made a separation between you and
your God, And your sins have
hidden *His* face from you so that He
does not hear."
Isaiah 59:1-2

"He who turns away his ear from listening to
the law, Even his prayer is an
abomination."
Proverbs 28:9

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of <u>a righteous man</u> can accomplish much."

James 5:16

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D. Destroy My Influence (Rom. 2:21-22)

E. Hurt This Community (Psa. 9:17; Prov. 14:34; Levi. 18:1-5, 24-25; Romans 1:32-2:1)

"The wicked will return to Sheol,

Even all the nations who forget God."

Psalm 9:17

"Righteousness exalts a nation,
But sin is a disgrace to any people."

Proverbs 14:34

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F. Give Enemies of God a Reason to Blaspheme (Rom. 2:23-24; Mat. 5:16)
G. Make Others Ashamed of Me (Eph. 5:11-12; 1 Cor. 5:13; Eze. 16:23-27)

