





#### COLOSSIANS 1:19-22 NLT

<sup>19</sup> For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ,

<sup>20</sup> and through him God reconciled everything to himself.

He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.







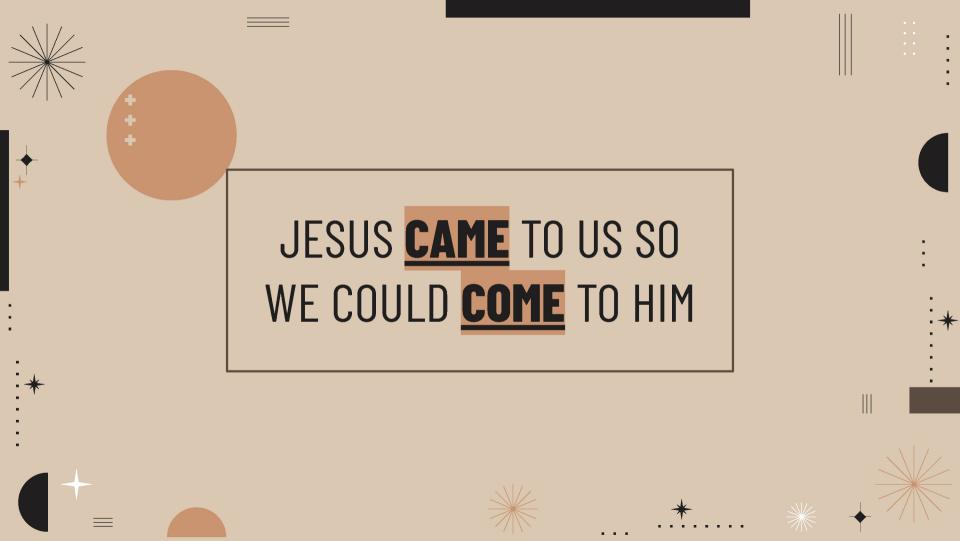


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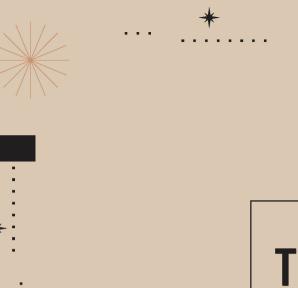
<sup>21</sup>This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your thoughts and actions. <sup>22</sup>Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.











### THE **REALITY** OF SIN











<sup>4</sup>Everyone who sins is breaking God's law, for all sin is contrary to the law of God.



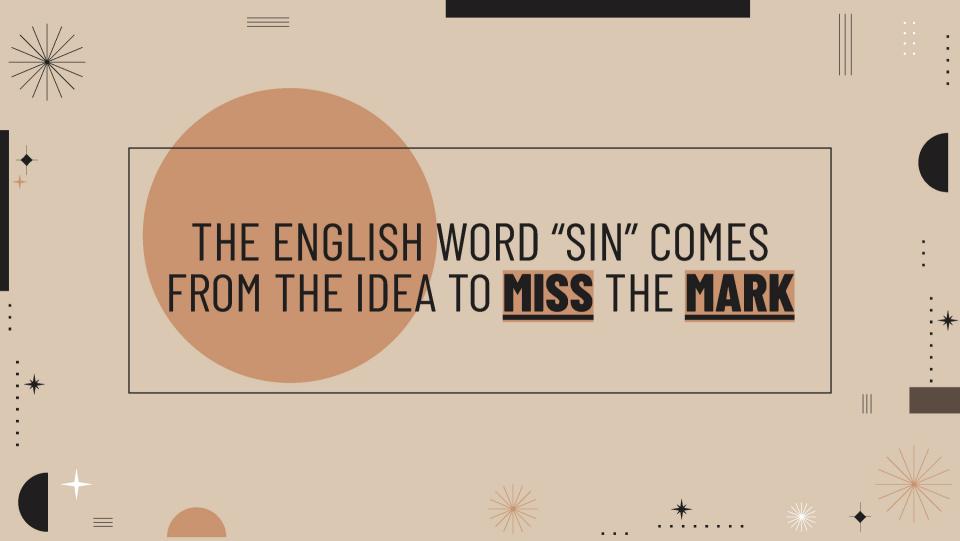




















### MARK 12:29-31 NLT

<sup>29</sup>Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: 'Listen, O Israel! The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. <sup>30</sup>And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' 31The second is equally important: 'Love your as yourself.' No neighbor commandment is greater than these."





SIN IS **IMPERFECTLY** LOVING GOD WITH ALL OUR HEART, SOUL, MIND, AND STRENGTH; AND IMPERFECTLY LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELVES













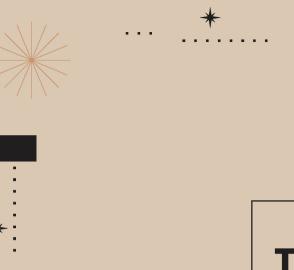




<sup>23</sup>For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.







## THE **EFFECTS** OF SIN

















## COLOSSIANS

1:21 NLT

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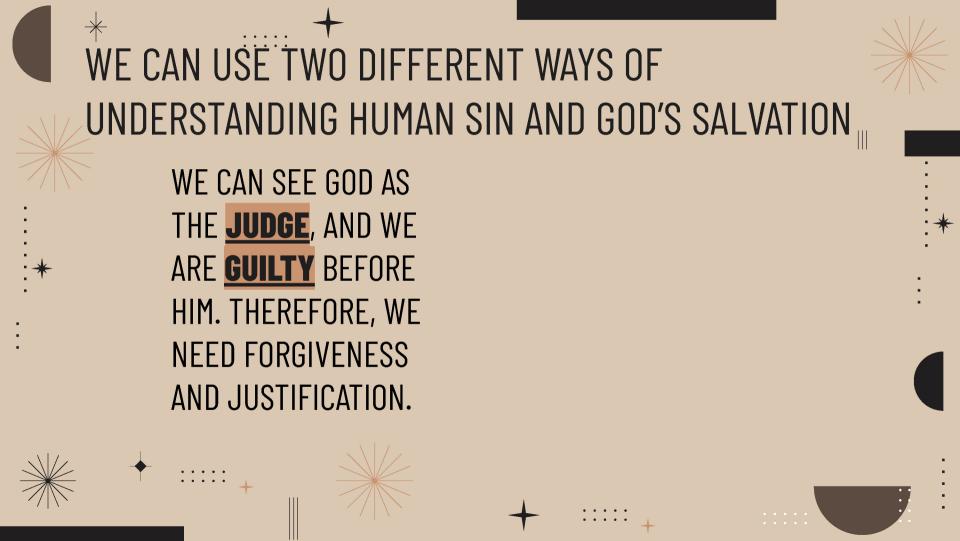
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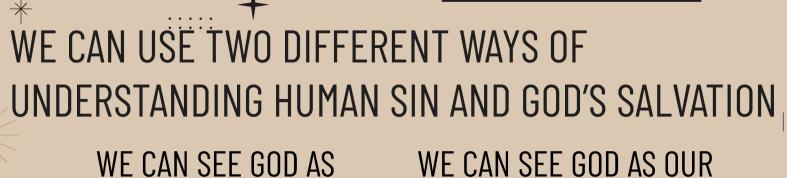
<sup>14</sup>Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. <sup>15</sup>These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.











THE **JUDGE**, AND WE ARE **GUILTY** BEFORE HIM. THEREFORE, WE NEED FORGIVENESS AND JUSTIFICATION.

FRIEND, AND WE HAVE DAMAGED OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM. THEREFORE, WE NEED RECONCILIATION.





















COLOSSIANS 2:13B-14 NLT Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. <sup>14</sup>He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.









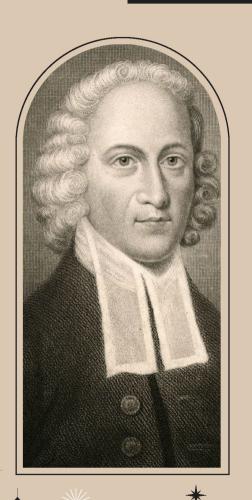
# WHEN WE SIN, OUR TEMPTATION IS TO **NUMB** IT, MASK IT, AND **COVER** IT.













"The only thing that you contribute to your salvation is the sin that makes it necessary."

Jonathan Edwards

