SIN PRODUCES LOSSES

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Romans 6:23

Romans 6:23 says, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" A sin is any transgression against God and His word. **ANY ACTION** that violates the written word of God is a sin.

That is why all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Reference Romans 3:23.

The wages of sin produces death. Death is separation. It is the experience of a loss. When someone dies, the common phrase that people say to the person who is grieving is, "sorry for your loss." Why do we say this? Because death is symbolic of a loss.

THAT IS THE BURDEN OF SIN. SIN CREATES LOSSES!

Everyone who has walked this earth has committed an action against God **EXCLUDING** King Jesus. With every sin that you commit there is a loss that follows. Those losses brings frustration, disappointment, anger, heartaches, struggle, pain, resentment, fear, worry, anxiety, debt and so much more.

THE ROOT OF EVERYTHING NEGATIVE

The root of **ALL** things negative comes from the **PARTICIPATION** and **INDULGENCE** of sin. The instability of life's circumstances is not by happenstance. It is determined by your decision to sin. The negative outcomes in life, the negative emotions you experience, the negative circumstances you encounter are caused by sin.

YOU CAN'T WIN IN SIN!

Sin complicates everything in your life because it causes you to receive **CONSTANT** losses. Here are some

examples to help you understand the gravity of committing sins or living a sinful life.

- When a person tells a lie that is a sinful act. The sin of lying will cause you to LOSE credibility, integrity and trust. Proverbs 13:15.
- When a person holds un-forgiveness that is a sinful act. The sin of un-forgiveness will cause you to LOSE God's forgiveness. Mathew 6:14-15.
- When a person is greedy that is a sinful act. The sin of greed will cause you to LOSE peace in your home.
 Proverbs 15:27.
- When a person is proud and arrogant that is a sinful act. The sin of arrogance will cause you to LOSE favor with God and be punished by Him. Proverbs 16:5.

As you can see, sin produces losses. Life is predictable. When you **REDUCE** sin in your life, losses will begin to

diminish. Unfortunately, ignorance keeps many people in bondage to the losses sin produces.

Many people have believed and accepted that losses are part of growth. This is not true. Losses are the results of sin. You can grow **WITHOUT** receiving losses. You can improve **WITHOUT** receiving losses. As long as you are mindful to stay away from living a sinful lifestyle you can enjoy a winning life!

It is not possible to live a sinless life because we are flawed individuals. Refer to 1st John1:8-10. However, you can live a righteous life with minimal sin. This statement is **NOT** giving you a permission to sin but it is providing you with a realistic perspective on sin.

A winning lifestyle does not come by the ways of your talent, skill, intellect, ethnicity, background or social status. It comes through the vehicle of righteousness. When you choose **NOT** to live in sin, **WINS** and **BLESSINGS** will follow you.

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