



# INSIDE IDEO A Sober Warning

MATTHEW 18:7-9

I. Jesus condemns the world for \_\_\_\_\_ people to sin.

*"Woe to the world for temptations to sin!" v. 7a*

II. Jesus condemns the one who \_\_\_\_\_ others to sin.

*"For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes!" v. 7b*

III. Jesus will condemn sin \_\_\_\_\_.

*"And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire." vv. 8-9*

HAVE  
NOTHING  
TO DO  
WITH SIN

Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ by the world.

Don't cause others to sin.

Don't \_\_\_\_\_ on things that tempt you.

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age ... Titus 2:11-12, NIV





1. In what ways do we not take sin seriously enough? At the other end of the spectrum, in what ways do we not appreciate God's grace enough? How are God's grace and the seriousness of sin connected to one another?

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you'd like to find out even more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events. That's a great spot to see what's coming up!

QUARTERLY DAY OF PRAYER Join us tomorrow, Aug. 1, as we gather in prayer with one another. We look forward to a time of worshiping God for who He is and what He has done. There will be a time of prayer for our families, our church and our city. You can also join us online through a live broadcast. Learn more by visiting ccbcfamily.org/events.

STEPS TO DISCIPLESHIP As we continue to walk out our mission of Be One, Make One, Reach One, our hope is to continually give you opportunities to be equipped as disciples of Jesus. Join us in the Oak Room beginning next Sunday, Aug. 7 from 5-7 p.m. for an eight-week class that covers how to know, understand and apply the Great Commission to our daily lives. Learn more today about registration by visiting ccbcfamily.org/events.

KIDSCAMP TO GO KidsCamp is the best week of the summer where kids Grade 1-4 learn all about the gospel with crazy games, rock concert sing-alongs, funny skits and Bible lessons with a small group of kids their age. This year you can take the fun to your backyard! KidsCamp To Go is an outreach opportunity to host your own KidsCamp at home. When you sign up, you'll get a box with all supplies and teaching materials included. Learn more at ccbcfamily.org/events.

VOLUNTEER WITH KIDS MINISTRY Are you looking for a place to serve this summer? Our Kids Ministry is an incredible place to grow in your own faith and pour into the lives of the next generation. You will see firsthand the gospel take shape and root in the hearts of every child that walks through our doors. You won't want to miss what God is going to do this summer! To learn more, email childrens@christchapelbc.org.

ENCOURAGED AND EQUIPPED Our Women's Ministry has an incredible resource for you! Search for the Encouraged and Equipped podcast to hear stories from other Christ Chapel women as they encourage and equip you through their lives and love for Christ. Listen as they share their wisdom in how an everyday issue can be met with the hope and wisdom of Jesus. Join in on the conversation by going to your favorite platform for podcasts and listening today.

GET UPDATES AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR YOUR WEEK. Throughout the week we like to post updates, events and encouragement on our Facebook and Instagram accounts. They're online communities we love and we think you will, too! Search @christchapelbiblechurch to find us and follow along.

LOOKING FOR THE CONNECT CARD? Scan the QR code here to fill out a Connect Card. Our team will reach out this week to answer your questions and tell you more about Christ Chapel.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE AN OFFERING TODAY, YOU CAN DO SO STRAIGHT FROM YOUR PHONE. The process is quick and easy—text CCBCFW to 833-422-7200 to get started.



2. Read Matthew 18:7-9. Obviously, self-mutilation will not cleanse the heart, so what point is Jesus making here in using such radical language?

3. How can we subtly influence another Christian and make it easier for them to sin? How is that not only committing a sin against them but also against Christ Himself?

4. Why does Jesus say in verse 7 that "it is necessary that temptations come"? How should this statement help us to adjust our expectations and our daily preparations as we face the world?

5. In what ways do we still assume that because we've trusted in Christ, we have the power to overcome sin on our own? What is false about this narrative, and how should we face temptation instead?

FOR THIS WEEK

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE:

Matthew 18:9

"And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire."

JOURNAL:

Matthew 18:7-9

"Sin is believing the lie that you are self-created, self-dependent and self-sustained."

AUGUSTINE

"As the salt flavors every drop in the Atlantic, so does sin affect every atom of our nature. It is so sadly there, so abundantly there, that if you cannot detect it, you are deceived."

CHARLES SPURGEON

"Succumbing to temptation is never personal and private. The consequences always affect others in ways we can't necessarily predict. If we let stumbling blocks into our own lives, eventually a chain reaction will ensue that causes others to stumble as well."

CHARLES SWINDOLL

JOURNAL Matthew 18:7-9

What are people trying to do when they say, "what I do in private won't hurt anyone else"? What is actually true about sin and guilt affecting more than us alone? Some helpful verses:

- Numbers 32:23
Romans 6:23
Ezekiel 18:4
Genesis 1:11, 21, 25
Luke 8:17
Matthew 6:6, 18
Exodus 20:4-6
Exodus 34:6-7