

KINGWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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# Sin's Undoing

Missing the Mark

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1 Corinthians 15: 54 “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”



# SIN'S UNDOING BY JESUS

Adam and Eve sin in the  
Garden by doing their  
own will

Jesus is righteous in the  
Garden (of Gethsemane)  
by obeying God's will

# SIN'S UNDOING BY JESUS

Moses murders an  
Egyptian to lead by his  
own power

Jesus resists Satan's  
temptation to rule by his  
own power

# SIN'S UNDOING BY JESUS

The Israelites sin by  
testing the Lord in the  
wilderness with God's  
"bread"

Jesus resists Satan's  
temptation to live by  
bread alone

# SIN'S UNDOING BY JESUS

The Israelites sin by  
turning the Temple into  
an idol (Jeremiah)

Jesus destroys the  
temple



# SIN'S UNDOING BY JESUS

The Israelites/Pharisees  
sin by putting sacrifice  
over mercy

Jesus always put mercy  
over sacrifice



**Acts 17:27** God did this so that they would **seek him** and perhaps reach out for him and **find him**, though he is not far from any one of us

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2. Letting God become the source of what is lacking



1 **Corinthians 13:9** For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but **when completeness comes**, what is in part disappears. 11 When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. 12 For **now** we see only a reflection as in a mirror; **then** we shall see face to face. **Now** I know in part; **then** I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.





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1. We realize the love of Christ is all around us and without limit.
2. We realize the world is extremely sinful and chaotic (full of sinful trash)

# Our response?

Generally speaking: seek to escape the world by seeking God/Christ.

We look forward to "then".



**John 17:11** I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me.

**John 17:**None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

13 “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. 14 I have given them your word and the **world has hated them**, for they are **not of the world any more than I am of the world.**

John 17:15 My prayer is **not that you take them out of the world** but that you protect them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. 17 Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. 18

**As you sent me into the world, I have  
sent them into the world.**





Jesus sought God not as an  
escape...

But as fuel to love the world  
(He didn't hide behind his faith)



**1 Corinthians 4:** 10 We are fools for Christ, but you are so wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are honored, we are dishonored! 11 To this very hour we go hungry and thirsty, we are in rags, we are brutally treated, we are homeless. 12 We work hard with our own hands. When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; 13 when we are slandered, we answer kindly. **We have become the scum of the earth, the garbage of the world—**right up to this moment.



1 Corinthians 13:13 And now these three remain: faith, hope,  
and love

But the greatest of these is love





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