

Bible Study - The Hidden Sin

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Hidden Sins means –Secret faults or actions against God’s ordinances and commandments that we commit that we do not see or recognizes as sins. Sometimes we commit them not knowing we have committed a sin out of ignorance, other times we commit them out of pure disobedience.

During this current season throughout our nation we read and hear about people falling to what is referred to as hidden sins. The reason we hear about them is that many of those who have fallen have gained earthly or worldly recognition and fame, so it makes the news. Over the past year many extremely popular pastors of mega churches have left their pulpits because of hidden sins. Many popular movie stars and sport figures have stepped down from their position because of the revealing of hidden sins. However, one does not have to be famous to fall from a hidden sin, it can happen to anyone who turn a blind eye on what God says is wrong, and continue in that sin as if it were acceptable. Many times sin stays hidden because we refuse to accept the truth, sometimes because acknowledging the truth would force us to take a position of either being willfully disobedience, or a position of trying to live in accordance with God’s ordinances and commandments. To allow a hidden sin to continue can give us a false belief that we can continue in our hidden sin and not be accountable for our actions. Those who commit secret sins fail to realize that God the creator of everything sees all, nothing can be hidden from Him! Many times we are so focused on hiding our secret sins from other people, we forget that the only real judge is God Himself. God is the only one that can allow you into heaven or prohibit you from entering the golden gates. People who make a conscious decision to continue in their hidden sin, have a spiritual mindset that is in opposition to the word of God. They seem to believe that they can live in light and darkness at the same time. They become comfortable in their hidden sin, and the more comfortable they are the less light that shine through and from them.

- **Psalm 19:12-13** Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. (13) Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.
- **Hebrews 4:13** Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.
- **Numbers 32:23** But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.
- **1 John 1:5** This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
- **James 4:12** There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?

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There are many people including Christians who will never ever reach their true God given potential, because of the hidden sin that is weighting them down. So they will never live the type of earthly existence that God had planned for them before the world was even formed. In other words the plan that God had for their life will never fully manifest itself.

- **Hebrews 12:1** Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,
- **Jeremiah 29:11** For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

What many people refuse to accept is that every sin that is done in darkness will at the appointed time be revealed. Each one of us must stand before God to be held accountable for all things that we have done during our lifetime.

- **Luke 8:17** For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither anything hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.
- **2 Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.