



Habitual Sin

BARRIERS TO INTIMACY WITH GOD

Barriers to Intimacy

- ▶ Unforgiveness
- ▶ Mistaken Identity
- ▶ Heart Wounds
- ▶ **Habitual Sin**
- ▶ Fears and Anxiety

Habitual Sin

~~Cherished~~ Sin?

Often, a love/hate relationship.

(Rom 7:15-25)

Habitual sin impacts our intimacy with God.

We must make a choice to SEEK HIM and
SURRENDER.

Psalm 24:1-6

¹ The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, ² for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers. ³ Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

Psalm 24:1-6

⁴ He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. ⁵ He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation. ⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. *Selah*

Who Can Stand in God's Presence?

When we approach God and experience his holiness, we become aware of our own sin.

Isaiah 6:5 And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Clean Hands and a Pure Heart



Our hands and heart represent our actions and our thoughts.

Have we sinned in action? What we have done or not done?

Have we sinned in our thoughts?

God's Provision

Isaiah 6:6–7 ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

God's Provision

- ▶ Psalm 24:5 ⁵ He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- ▶ Romans 6:23 ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sin Impacts our Intimacy with God

1 John 1:6–7 ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

What do we worship?

“who does not lift up his soul to what is false” (Psa 24:4)

Psalm 24:6 ⁶ Such is the generation of those who **seek him**, who **seek the face** of the God of Jacob. *Selah*

We must choose to SEEK HIM. Pursue HIM!

The Essential Step in True Worship...

The essential step in true worship is to
SURRENDER.

Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

The Essential Step in True Worship...

The essential step in true worship is to SURRENDER.

- ▶ Romans 6:13 ¹³ Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

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Galatians 5:16 But I say, walk by the
Spirit, and you will not gratify the
desires of the flesh.