

Sin that Leads to Death

“16 If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it. 17 All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.”
(1John 5:16-17 KJV)

All unrighteousness is sin: There is no sin that is small or big, sin is sin and it leads to death.

But let us study what he means with what he called here, “There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.”

First let us explain, “If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death.” When you see your brother doing wrong, you will pray for him, you would council him, advice him, correct him and help him to come out from the wrong doing that he is in. In this way he will again have a life to the full living in the righteousness of God.

There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it. Now when you do your part with a person who had sin, but this person will not respond to correction or bible truth and you had already warned him about the consequences of his sin and the bad effect of it on him and his life, and he still go and do them, then, you have nothing to do with him. You cannot afford him any more things to help him in his life. If a person willfully go into sin then no more sacrifice left for him, “26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth

no more sacrifice for sins, 27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. 28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: 29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? 30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. 31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.” (Hebrews 10:26-31 KJV) Therefore we can conclude that sin which lead to death is a willful sin and you had done everything you can do but the person did not turn from his own ways.

Such person you don't need to follow up him more or to pray for him or go to him and advice him. He himself needs to repent and come back to God.

The lost son, himself came back to his senses and went back to his father, who mentioned the following statement about him, “24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.” (Luke 15:24 KJV) “32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.” (Luke 15:32 KJV) Twice the father said that he is dead and now he is alive. His willful sin in leaving the father house is the thing that caused him death. But when he repented and came back he gain life.

Another example of sin that does not need to death, is when Jesus prayed for Peter that his faith fail not, “31 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: 32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.” (Luke 22:31-32 KJV) and of sin that leads to death is when Jesus did not pray for Judas, “26 Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. 27 And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.” (John 13:26-27 KJV)

In the Scripture of the Old Testament there is something like what you say, 'not to pray for someone because they had crossed the line and there was no need to waste your prayers.' As in Jeremiah 15:1-4 “1 Then said the LORD unto me, Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my mind could not be toward this people: cast them out of my sight, and let them go forth. 2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt tell them, Thus saith the LORD; Such as are for death, to death; and such as are for the sword, to the sword; and such as are for the famine, to the famine; and such as are for the captivity, to the captivity. 3 And I will appoint over them four kinds, saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy. 4 And I will cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for that which he did in Jerusalem.” because God had decided in HIS mind about the concerned people, and in 1Samuel 16:1 “1 And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt

thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons.” Because God wanted to direct His prophet for another important work that needed to be done. Possibly the apostle what he meant in 1John 5:16 “There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.” Is not to pray for those antichrist who earlier left the church “19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.” (1John 2:19)

My Prayer

Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for your Word that explain to me important lesson in my ministry of how I need to deal with those who sin. Lord continues to give me your wisdom and inspire me to do your will. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

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