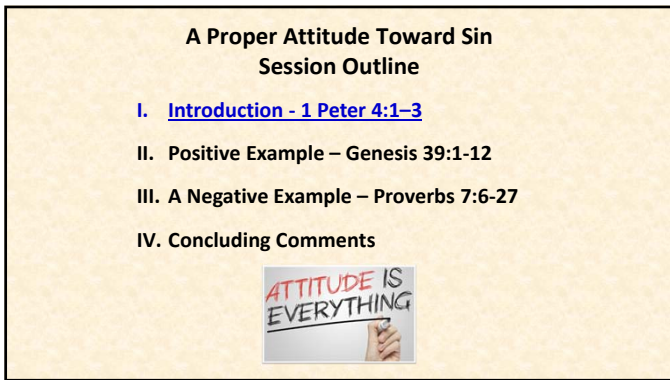


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D. Edmond Hiebert

1 Peter (p. 258). Winona Lake, IN: BMH Books. (1997).

“is done with sin” (*pepautai hamartias*) depicts the spiritual state of the victorious sufferer. It carries a note of triumph; he has effectively broken with a life dominated by sin. It need not mean that he no longer commits any act of sin, **but that his old life, dominated by the power of sin, has been terminated**. The verb, which does not occur elsewhere in the New Testament in the perfect tense, may be viewed as either middle or passive: if middle, it asserts the fact that he “has ceased from sin, has done with sin”; **if passive, there is an implied reference to the divine agent who brought the victory, “has been caused to cease from sin.”...the perfect tense records a definite break with sin (*hamartias*).**

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Romans 8:12

“So then, brethren, we are under obligation, **not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—**”.



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Charles Spurgeon

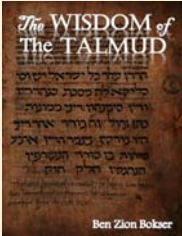
Morning and evening: Daily readings. London: Passmore & Alabaster. (1896).

Beware of light thoughts of sin....Take heed lest thou fall by little and little. Sin, a *little* thing? Is it not a poison? Who knows its deadliness? Sin, a *little* thing? Do not the little foxes spoil the grapes? Doth not the tiny coral insect build a rock which wrecks a navy? Do not little strokes fell lofty oaks? Will not continual droppings wear away stones? Sin, a little thing? It girded the Redeemer's head with thorns, and pierced his heart! It made him suffer anguish, bitterness, and woe. Could you weigh the least sin in the scales of eternity, you would fly from it as from a serpent, and abhor the least appearance of evil. Look upon all sin as that which crucified the Saviour, and you will see it to be “exceeding sinful.”

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The Wisdom of the Talmud

“Commit a sin twice and it will not seem to be a crime.”



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Proverbs 8:13a
"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil;..."




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Job 1:1
There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job; and that man was blameless, upright, fearing God and turning away from evil.



11

John Wesley
(letter to Alexander Mather in Bristol, Aug. 6, 1771, The Letters of the Rev. John Wesley, MA, vol. 6 [London: Epworth Press], p. 272).




"Give me one hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin, and desire nothing but God, and I care not a straw whether they be clergymen or laymen; such alone will shake the gates of hell and set up the kingdom of heaven on earth."

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James 1:15

“Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.”




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2 Timothy 2:22
Now **flee from youthful lusts** and pursue righteousness, faith, love *and* peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.



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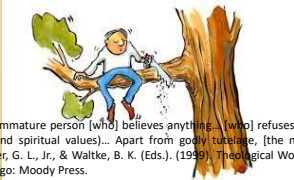


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Proverbs 7:6-27

⁶ For at the window of my house I looked out through my lattice, ⁷ And I saw among the **naïve (חֵטִי peti)**, And discerned among the youths a young man lacking sense,...




"naïve - Simple, foolish...an immature person [who] believes anything... [who] refuses to learn [and] inherit[s] folly (the impairment of moral and spiritual values)... Apart from godly tutelage, [the naïve one] is on the road to death..." Harris, R. L., Archer, G. L., Jr., & Waltke, B. K. (Eds.). (1999). Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament (electronic ed., p. 743). Chicago: Moody Press.



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Psalm 25:11
For Your name's sake, O LORD, Pardon my iniquity, [for it is great.](#)



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James 4:8-9
“⁸Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ [Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom.](#)”



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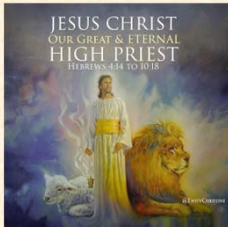
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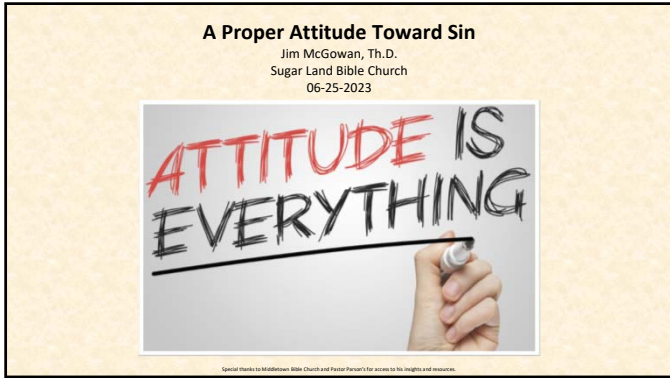


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Numbers 6:24-26 (NASB95)

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