

# **INNOCENT BUT DANGEROUS**

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**Topic:**  
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**Bible Text: Numbers 15:30-31**

**Prayer**

God, Almighty, we reference you as the supreme being with mercy and loving kindness. We pray your power upon the teacher and the teachings today that we the hearers will hear the truth, keep the truth and sustain it in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Introduction**

I welcome you all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I hope you had a lovely day. I would like everyone to take a very close look into the study today, for the Lord will reveal some hidden truths about life and our journey to eternity.

**Bible Text: Numbers 15:30-31**

**Number 15:30-31(NIV)** But anyone who sins defiantly, whether native-born or foreigner, blasphemes the Lord and must be cut off from the people of Israel.

**31:** Because they have despised the Lord's word and broken his commands, they must surely be cut off; their guilt remains on them.'

**Study**

As far as God is concerned, anything that does not have the capacity to send a man to hell is not the most dangerous and powerful, but whoever can send his soul into eternal condemnation is what should be seriously feared. There are many things we do today which, to us, are innocent and can be easily argued and taken to be right but are very dangerous, not

only to our bodies but also to our souls. The Word of God talks about presumptuous sins, which are deliberate sins. **Psalm 19:13 KJV:** *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.* David cried out to God to keep him from sins that are beautiful because they can easily take control over a man and lead to more sin. Almost all Christians who are not careful enough and watchful in their Christian journey are trapped in presumptuous sins, and these usually look innocent, although they know that they are sins, yet they still find themselves in such sins.

### **What are presumptuous sins?**

- They are deliberate sins.
- They are willful sins.
- They are personal sins—sins that are unique to you alone.
- They are peculiar sins—these are sins that you can call part and parcel of you.
- They are besetting sins.
- They are sins you find yourself justifying.
- They are sins you have been struggling with.
- Sins that look like you cannot overcome them.
- Sins you fall into even when you don't want to, yet you find yourself in them.
- They are sins you are aware of, yet you commit, saying everyone does it.
- Sins you ponder on and still commit.
- They are intentional sins.
- Sins you make excuses for.
- They are voluntary sins.
- They are conscious sins.
- They are sins you enjoy and do not want to forgo.

*Are you with me please?*

Most times, when a man is deep into presumptuous sins, Satan makes the consequences of such sins look light and unserious. At times, he can even deceive the person into believing that there is no consequence for such sins. Presumptuous sins can be hidden or open. **Numbers 15:30-31 KJV:** *But the soul that doeth ought presumptuously, whether he be born in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people. [31] Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him.* God does not take the case of such offenders lightly. He is the one that supervises their punishment, and no matter who the person is, whether a child of God or not, such a person reproaches the Lord and shall be cut off, for he has despised the word of the Lord and broken His commandment.

God does not joke with His commandments, as many think. They assume it is not as serious as it seems, but for Him to have said that He honors His Word above His name is a clear pointer to how much value He places on His commandments. Today, one may not be physically cut off from the face of the earth when one sins presumptuously because we are in the era of grace, although there are times God can act as He did to Ananias and Sapphira, but it is no longer common today. However, the ultimate end of presumptuous sin is still death. The same judgment comes upon those who persist in it without repentance, for the wages of sin is death. David, being a man of God filled with the Holy Ghost, knew that there were still some sins he needed to address in his life. The fact that a man is saved does not mean he cannot fall into these sins, but one needs to work on himself. This is why I pity those who claim that once they are saved, they will make heaven even if they continue in their sins. These presumptuous sins attract God's judgment.

David did not assume that being a man after God's own heart, as declared by God Himself, would automatically exempt him. He prayed, saying, "Keep me from presumptuous sins," because when sins become deliberate, they take total control of a man. To avoid this, he quickly cried out to God for help. Do you know that most times, presumptuous sins can look justifiable until they take total control of a man? They often start subtly. As Paul said, **"The thing I don't want to do, I find myself doing, while what I want to do, I find hard to do."** This can trap a person, leaving them unable to realize the gravity of their actions.

What is that sin you are committing that you find easy and keep justifying? Yes, these sins might look innocent, but they are dangerous because they have the capacity to make God send a soul to hellfire. There are lies that seem very innocent and harmless, but they are dangerous because God's verdict over liars still stands: **Revelation 21:8 KJV: But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.** It is you who may think one lie is good and another is bad, but no lie is justifiable before God.

*Are you following?*

Some justify committing abortion, claiming they do not want the baby at that time, so they abort the child, believing they have done nothing wrong before God. However, nothing justifies the sin of murder. There is also something called mercy killing, which is equally wrong. No one has the power to take another person's life. Doctors who induce death in patients because they feel the patients are suffering are still murderers before the Lord,

and He is not pleased. Demonic sexual positions and acts that some people engage in, while justifying them before God, are another issue. They claim these acts are not wrong and have allowed them to take control. Some believe that since they are married, they can do anything they like with their spouse, not realizing that Satan is deceiving them. Taking work properties home for personal use without permission is a presumptuous sin, it is a sin to take office materials and begin to use them personally as though they own them. Writing down the name of a friend on the attendance list when they are not present is another presumptuous sin committed by many.

Not staying on the queue but seeking to get access at the front because you know someone is another presumptuous sin. It makes those on the queue look foolish for choosing to follow the rules. Celebrating Christ with idols or in ways God has not approved in the Scriptures is a presumptuous sin that will call for God's judgment. Festivals such as Christmas, Easter, Valentine's Day, Halloween, Lent, All Souls' Day, etc., are practices God disapproves of, and He supervises their punishment. Watching worldly films has brought many to the point where they cannot obey God anymore. They justify these films by saying they are learning from them.

But what can the world teach a man that is not contained in the Word of God? They justify their actions with many excuses, not knowing that God is not moved, will not change, and will send such individuals to hell. Changing your state of origin or date of birth to secure a job is a presumptuous sin that looks innocent but is dangerous to your soul and can send you to hellfire. Writing an earlier time of resumption at work instead of the actual time also looks innocent but is dangerous.

*Are you following?*

Plaiting the natural hair may look innocent but can be dangerous. Some add wool or rubber thread to their hair, claiming it's not wrong, yet it has become a presumptuous sin that appears harmless but is dangerous to their souls. There are many other sins, such as kissing, romance, and engaging in sex during courtship while claiming, "But we will get married," lying to cover up for others, and pilfering. All these actions look innocent but are dangerous because, without repentance, they lead straight to hellfire. It would be tragic for one to land in hell before realizing their mistakes because by then, there will be no remedy. You know yourself well—the things you justify and claim are unavoidable. These can destroy you. Why not act like David? Most of these sins are difficult to overcome by one's own strength. The psalmist prayed:

**Psalm 19:13 KJV:** *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.* Cry out, "Keep me, O Lord; save me from these sins (mention them one by one). Don't let them have dominion over me." It could be fornication, adultery, bribery, or corruption. Cry to God and let Him address these in your life so you can be free. This is the only way to be blameless before God and man because only the blameless will enter the kingdom of God.

### **How to overcome innocent but dangerous sins**

1. Surrender your life to Jesus Christ.
2. Confess your sins one by one and repent from them genuinely.
3. Put total faith in God as the only one who can help you overcome.
4. Meditate on the Word of God always.
5. Give yourself to serious prayers.

6. Avoid triggers—that is, things and people that lure you into sin.
7. Preach against these sins always.

## **Invitation**

If you know that you are still living in sin and you are ready to repent and begin to live your life in strict obedience to God so that you can overcome every sin in your life to make heaven, please place your right hand on your chest and say this prayer with your mouth.

Say,

"Lord Jesus, I accept You as my personal Lord and Savior. I believe that You died for me and took away my sins so that I will not face the penalty of them. I surrender my life to You today, and I make a decision to obey and follow You. Come into my life now and accept me as Your child. Thank You for saving me, in Jesus Christ's name I pray, Amen."

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