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## Hebrews 6:4-6

### The Sin of Death

**Topic:** This is one of the most neglected books of the bible. We don't know who the author is, but we do know it was written for the instruction of the temple before 70 A.D. It is to the Jews what the book of Romans is to the Gentiles. Hebrews tells of sacrifices and rituals and exalts the sovereignty of Christ. It tells of Christ's relation to Moses and Abraham and all those people. This is why the Book of Hebrews is so great. The message of Hebrews is this: go on to spiritual maturity. Don't sit back on your laurels; get up and do something for the Lord, spread the word, help someone who doesn't ask but you see they need it.

**Hebrews 6:4-6:** This is dire warning to believers who have accepted Jesus Christ, telling them you can't go out and behave like you were before. These verses are talking about a group of people who you see come kneel down and make a commitment to Christ, and then they backslide later in life, returning to lying, stealing, cheating, etc. Once you have identified yourself with Christ, you cannot go back into the world and live the way you want to. You have to understand a lot about the word of God to be able to commit this sin. It's not committed by a nonbeliever or a brand new Christian. It's talking about your life, your life style, and what you do with your life after you have accepted Christ. It is a sin of death. It is impossible to come back to the Lord after this. Christians cannot just live how they want to. They must obey the word of Christ.

- 4 For it is impossible for those who were 1)once enlightened, and have 2)tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made 3)partakers of the Holy Ghost,  
5 And have 4)tasted the good word of God, and the 5)powers of the age to come,  
6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.(

**1 Cor 3:10-15** Paul is the author. He tells of the warning also, about the foundation of Christ, now you have to build on it, but be careful how you build on this foundation. Every man's work shall be made manifest and judged accordingly. All our works will be submerged in fire at the time of judgement, and all will be burned away except that which is the Lord's work. There's going to be some Christians who stand before Christ, and when their works are burned up, they may get into heaven by the skin of their teeth. They will have no rewards, but they will be in heaven. They lived their lives based on me, me, me, never giving anything to Christ. He's going to ask you, "What did you do for me?"

**1 Cor 9:24-27** Once you have signed up for the team of Jesus Christ, you are in a race running for Christ. You need to train your body, your mind to work for Christ. Not like a boxer beating the air aimlessly, but running with a purpose. Once you're a Christian, train yourself. Get rid of your bad habits, your bad behaviour, and live with a purpose of getting to heaven with rewards. Don't live in a way to disqualify you from the race. You can't lose your salvation -

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you're still in the race, but you'll be disqualified from the rewards of heaven. The more rewards you accumulate, the more responsibilities you get in heaven. Responsibilities in heaven are not burdens like they are here on Earth.

**1 John 5:16** There is a sin that leads to death and if you see them commit it, you better pray for them or they are going to die. The sin of death is if you take Jesus into your heart, grow into a mature Christian, and then go through the world smearing His name.

**Heb 10:26** There is no sacrifice to clean the sin of death, of willfully sinning after we've grown to a mature Christian. The book of Hebrews is written to believers. The Jews were set apart from the rest of the world to be His children. All they have to do is believe in Him. It's good when people of the world come up to a Christian and say, "hey, you look different, you act different." That's the way it's supposed to be. Once you become a Christian you have the opportunity to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Holy Spirit and take hold of the promises God has made to us. If you turn from it when you are a mature Christian, you will be held accountable and can die from rejecting Christ at this point. Being a Christian is serious business.