

The Reality of Sin.

Whatever became of sin?

The famed psychiatrist, Karl Menninger, posed this question 50 years ago as he witnessed the disappearance of the word “sin” from social conversations.

In his book, *Whatever Happened to Sin*, He wrote:

“The word ‘sin,’ which seems to have disappeared, was a proud word. It was once a strong word, an ominous and serious word. It described a central point in every civilized human being’s life plan and life style. But the word went away. It has almost disappeared —the word, along with the notion.

Why? Doesn’t anyone sin anymore? Doesn’t anyone believe in sin?”

--- Karl Menninger Whatever Happened to Sin?

Menninger warned that should this concept, sin, be eliminated from our cultural relationships, any hope or thought of a moral society would inevitably vanish.

Three Erroneous, Misleading and Destructive Beliefs About Sin.

I. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS SIN.

I John 1:10

Romans 6:20-23 The Message

I John 2:1-2 The Message

II. YOU CAN BE A CHRISTIAN AND STILL LIVE IN HABITUAL SIN.

I John 1:5 PP13 I John 1:6, 7

III. A CHRISTIAN CAN ATTAIN A SINLESS LIFE.

I John 1:8,9

The question I want to ask this morning is,

Whatever became of your sin? What have you done about it?

There are only three things you can do about your sin.

1. You can deny it.
2. You can try to deal with it yourself. (that never works!)
3. You can admit your sin and turn to Jesus Christ.