

HOUSTON, WE HAVE A PROBLEM

1 John 1:5-2:2 Jeff Schreve

Indeed, there is not a righteous man on earth who continually does good and who never sins. Ecclesiastes 7:20

How are you dealing with your sin problem?

1. The wrong response is to cover your sins.

A. The wrong response leads to hypocrisy.

If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 1 John 1:6

B. The wrong response leads to self-deception.

If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 1 John 1:8

C. The wrong response leads to blasphemy.

If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. 1 John 1:10

D. The wrong response causes us to lose fellowship.

There were those who dwelt in darkness and the shadow of death, prisoners in misery and chains, because they had rebelled against the words of God, and spurned the counsel of the Most High. Psalm 107:10-11

2. The right response is to uncover your sins.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

A. You must get honest about your sins.

B. You must agree with God.

C. You must believe His Word.

My little children, I am writing these things to you that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

D. You can enjoy a walk of victory in the light with Jesus!

... but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:7

So, how are you dealing with your sin problem?