

Things God Cannot Do God Cannot Sin or Overlook Sin

I. God cannot sin.

⁴For You are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness; No evil dwells with You.

⁵The boastful shall not stand before Your eyes; You hate all who do iniquity. Psalms 5:4-5 (NASB)

¹²Are You not from everlasting, O Lord, my God, my Holy One? We will not die. You, O Lord, have appointed them to judge; and You, O Rock, have established them to correct. ¹³Your eyes are too pure to approve evil, and You can not look on wickedness *with favor*. Why do You look with favor On those who deal treacherously? Why are You silent when the wicked swallow up Those more righteous than they? Habakkuk 1:12-13 (NASB)

¹⁷~'Also let none of you devise evil in your heart against another, and do not love perjury; for all these are what I hate,' declares the Lord." Zechariah 8:17 (NASB)

⁴⁸"Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Matthew 5:48 (NASB)

⁵This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5 (NASB)

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. ¹⁷Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow. James 1:16-17)

¹⁶who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen. 1 Timothy 6:16 (NASB)

²"There is no one holy like the Lord, indeed, there is no one besides You, nor is there any rock like our God. 1 Samuel 2:2 (NASB)

²⁸We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ. Colossians 1:28 (NASB)

II. God cannot overlook sin.

²A jealous and avenging God is the Lord; the Lord is avenging and wrathful. The Lord takes vengeance on His adversaries, and He reserves wrath for His enemies. ³The Lord is slow to anger and great in power, and the Lord will by no means leave *the guilty* unpunished. In whirlwind and storm is His way, and clouds are the dust beneath His feet. Nahum 1:2-3 (NASB)

Isaiah 6:1-7

¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18 (NASB)

² Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. ³ And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. 1 John 3:2-3 (NASB)

Application:

- You should hate evil too.

¹⁰ Hate evil, you who love the Lord, who preserves the souls of His godly ones; He delivers them from the hand of the wicked. Psalms 97:10 (NASB)

- You should pursue holiness.

¹³ Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober *in spirit*, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ¹⁴ As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance, ¹⁵ but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior; ¹⁶ because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY." 1 Peter 1:13-16