

THE FOUR STAGES OF LUST GIVING BIRTH TO SIN **(Consequences of Lust giving birth to Sin)**

In our last study we introduced the idea of the **Stages of Lust giving birth to Sin**, specifically covering Stages one and two, and the issue of temptation. We learned that temptation is NOT personal sin. But it is a red flag of danger of carnality (1 Cor.3:1-3).

- **Stage ONE is “Being carried away and enticed by the lust trends of our Old Sin Nature.”**

(Jas.1:14) “But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust”.

Paul’s advice was to **SHUT IT DOWN** by going to filling ministry of Indwelling Holy Spirit

(Eph.5:18) “And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit”,

(Gal.5:16-17) “But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.”

WHY?

- **Because Stage TWO is “lust conceived gives birth to sin.”**

(Jas.1:15) “Then when lust has conceived, **it gives birth to sin**; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.”

Paul’s advice was to **SHUT IT DOWN** by walking by the power of Indwelling Spirit.

WHY?

- **Because Stage THREE is “sin accomplished gives birth to death (temporal).”**

(Jas.1:15) “Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, **it brings forth death.**”

Paul’s advice was to **SHUT IT DOWN** by power of Indwelling Spirit.

WHY?

- **Because Stage FOUR is “Temporal death gives birth to sin unto death.”**

(1 John 5:16) “If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask and go will for him give life to those who commit sin not leading to death. **There is a sin leading to death; I do not say that he should make request for this.**”

Paul’s advice was to **SHUT IT DOWN** because you are at the end of options of spiritual recovery.

WHY?

1. The third stage of lust to sin is identifies in James 1:15 as “when sin is accomplished, it brings forth (apokueo/ p.a.ind.3ps) death (thanatos).”

This is not physical or spiritual death, but the temporal death spoken of in (1 Tim.5:6)

“But she who gives herself to wanton pleasure (he spatalao/ p.a.ptc.nsf) [lascivious trends] is dead (thnesko/ perf.a.ind.3ps) [in a state of carnality] even while she lives (zao/ p.a.ptc.nsm).”

Temporal death is living in:

- **A state of carnality**
 - (1 Cor.3:1-3) “And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual men, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ. I gave you milk to drink, not solid food; for you were not yet able *to receive it*. Indeed, even now you are not yet able, for you are still fleshly. For since there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not walking like mere men?”
- **Out of fellowship with God**
 - (1John 1:5-7) “This 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. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and *yet* walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; 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.
- **With the option of confessing personal sin** - Spiritual restoration from the state of carnality.
 - (1 John 1:8-9) “If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

The carnal believer is under Divine Discipline of Heb.12:4-11. Why? Heb.12:4-6 is one Greek sentence and explains the why. Now read Heb.12:9 which is important to “and live.”

2. The fourth stage of lust giving birth to sin, resulting in temporal death and temporal death leading to the sin unto death (1 John 5:16).

(1 John 5:16a) “If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will for him **give life** to those who commit sin not leading to death.”

(1 John 5:16b) “There is a **sin leading to death**; I do not say that he should make request for this.”

The sin leading to death is the premature death of a believer.

The “David and Bathsheba” incident shows us the fourth stage of lust to sin leading to death. It is found in the Nathan bringing David a prophetic message from God (2 Sam.12:1-15).

David’s recovery:

(2 Sam.12:13) “Then David said to Nathan, ‘I have sinned against the Lord.’ And Nathan said to David, ‘The Lord also has taken away your sin; **you shall not die.**”