

The Real Reason for the Season
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The Passage

Matthew 1:18-21, ESV

- Sin is any failure to **conform** to God's ways in action, attitude, or nature.
- The real reason for the season is to celebrate how Jesus came to **save** us from our sin!

Three Things You Need to Know About Sin

1. Jesus came to deal with **sin**.
Matthew 1:21, Luke 2:11, 1 Timothy 1:15
2. Everyone **does it**.
Romans 3:23, Psalm 51:5, Romans 3:10
3. Sin wants you to remain in the **dark**.
Ephesians 5:8-11, John 12:46, Romans 1:21, Acts 26:18, Romans 6:23

How to Deal with Sin

1. Share with one another. **Confess**
James 5:16, Proverbs 28:13, Galatians 5:2
2. Talk to God about it. **Repent**
Acts 3:19, 2 Corinthians 7:10, Romans 2:4
3. Avoid it altogether. **Abstain**
1 Thessalonians 5:22, 2 Timothy 2:22
4. Pursue a relationship with Jesus. **Abide**
Psalms 37:4, 1 Timothy 6:11, Psalm 1:3, John 15:5, Galatians 5:22