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Introduction to the Text;

Isaiah 20:1-6

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In the year that **Tartan** came to **Ashdod**, when **Sargon** the king of Assyria sent him, (722-715 bc.) and he fought against Ashdod and took it, **2** at the same time the LORD spoke by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, "**Go**, and remove the sackcloth from your body, and take your sandals off your feet." And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. :3 Then the LORD said, "Just as My servant Isaiah has walked naked and barefoot three years for a sign and a wonder against Egypt and Ethiopia, **4** so shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians as prisoners and the Ethiopians as captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt. **5** Then they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation and Egypt their glory. **6** And the inhabitant of this territory will say in that day, "Surely such is our expectation, wherever (where can) we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria; and how shall we escape?"

Isaiah chapter 20 serves as a Parable.

And what's with Isaiah's Birthday Suit?

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The Call of a Biblical Prophet

"Go, and remove the sackcloth from your body"

This is a shocking thing to have been told to do by God. It was a lonely and isolated calling. It was a self-abasing calling. It was a graphic calling. It was most often a fatal calling. – very few of God's prophets survived their ministry.

A Biblical prophet is;

a walking, living, breathing parable, graphically announcing the coming acts of God, what is the will of God, and His plan for the Future.

"Speak only that which I tell you to say"

"Hold back nothing of what I tell you to say."

"Be silent when I am not speaking to you."

The Biblical Prophets of God are people that are **preoccupied** with the holiness of God. they, by nature of their calling, they have seen the heart of God, they, **becoming possessed by it**.

The Bible - God's Revealed Will & Plan & Message to Mankind;

Ezekiel 3:3

And He said to me, "Son of man, feed your belly, and fill your stomach with this scroll that I give you." So I ate, and it was in my mouth like honey in sweetness.

Revelation 10:10c

The word became sour in my stomach.

Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

DISARMING THE POWER OF SIN

1.) The Origin of Sin

what is sin and what makes sin - sin?

The meaning of the word "Sin" is to

In both Old and New testaments, the word means to swerve or veer off course. to miss the target by either falling short of it or turning away from it.

The meaning of the word "Sin" is a word rooted in a pre-adamic, supernatural world.

The First act of "Sin" is recorded in a prehistoric, spiritual realm.

Ezekiel 28:15-16

You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, **Till iniquity was found in you**... **16** You became filled with violence within, And you **sinned**; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God;

The First mention of the word "Sin" is found here in;

Genesis 4:7

If you (Cain) do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, **sin** lies at the door. And **its** desire is for you, but you should rule over **it**."

The Final word on the origin of "Sin" comes from Jesus Himself;

John 8:43-44

Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are <u>not able to listen</u> to My word. **44** You are of your father **the devil**, and the desires of **your father** <u>you want to do</u>. He was **a murderer from the beginning**, and does not <u>stand in the truth</u>, because there is <u>no truth in him</u>. When he speaks a **lie**, he speaks from his own **resources**, for he is a **liar** and the **father** of it.

Genesis 3:9-11a

Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?" :10 So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself." :11a And God said, "Who told you that you were naked?

WE CAN DISARM THE POWER OF SIN'S ORIGIN BY; OBEYING & FIGHTING

Romans 6:12-14

Therefore DO NOT LET sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts (it's unbridled, passionate demands). 13 And DO NOT PRESENT (place, parade, yield your private parts to their wants) your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, BUT PRESENT YOURSELVES to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law (powerless law) but under grace. (powerful grace)

Romans 7:21-8:2 NLT

I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. 22 I love God's law with all my heart. 23 But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. 24 Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? 25 Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God's law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin. 8:1 So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. 2 And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

DISARMING THE POWER OF SIN

2.) The Nature of Sin

The Nature of Sin is **cemented** in the **most terrible** and **murderous realm** of man's fallen nature – the human heart.

Nowhere in the Bible does it ever teach us to Revive or Restore our Hearts.

Jeremiah 17:9 NLT

"The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? :10 I, the LORD, search the heart, I test the mind, Even to give every man according to his ways, According to the fruit of his doings.

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.

This "concrete" is made up of the Self-Life,

Self-Preservation, Self-Satisfaction, Self-Pleasure, Self-Elevation Self-Love

The Sin Nature is Always About the Self-Life.

- 1. What I want is the most important thing to me and to you.
- 2. Everything around me is, for me and exists to make me happy.
- 3. I am the center of me so what I posses makes me who I am.

James 1:14-16

But each one is **tempted** when he is (1) drawn away by his own desires and (2) enticed. 15 Then, (3) when desire has conceived, it (4) gives birth to sin; and (5) sin, when it is full-grown, (6) brings forth death. :16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

We prove this true every day of our lives

(none of us are perfect)

This "Truth" can only be ignored, never denied.

I' m a sinner, so are you. we' re sinners and we desire the pleasures of sin (but read the fine print – it pays a terrible wage of death and hell.)

WE CAN DISARM THE POWER

OF SIN'S NATURE BY; STAYING CLOSE TO HIM.

1 John 3:4-6

Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. 5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. 6 Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.

1 John 1:5-10

This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.



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