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**Hell sells us this lie and we  
buy it in bulk -**

**“Our relationship with God is  
private and it has no impact  
on others.”**

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“This is the message we have heard from the beginning and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with Him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth.”

1 John 1:5-6 NIV

“But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.”

1 John 1:7-8 NIV

**“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.”**

**1 John 1:9-10 NIV**

“My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense — Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.”

1 John 2:1 NIV

**“He (Jesus) is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for our sins but also for the sins of the whole world.”**

**1 John 2:2 NIV**



**Sin kills!**

**It must be natural for  
believers to long for a greater  
sense of God's presence in  
their lives.**

**Sin ruins the life God gives us  
by destroying our confidence  
and joy, and stealing happiness  
from our relationship with God  
and others.**

**We all sin and feel shame, guilt,  
failure, and embarrassment,  
and we tend to seek relief and  
salvation from sources other  
than King Jesus.**

**We want a better way of being  
and living!**

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# Take Action

1. Repent
2. Reconcile

# Action #1: Repent

- John the Baptist, Jesus, and the New Testament writers preached about repentance. (Matthew 3:2, 4:17, Acts 2:38, 17:30, 26:20; Revelation 2:5, 16:9,11)
- Repent means a “sincere change of heart and mind”.
- God’s kindness and sorrow leads a person to repentance. (Romans 2:4; 2 Corinthians 7:10)

# Action #1: Repent

- Repentance enables us to live under God's grace and life. (Acts 11:18; 2 Corinthians 7:10)
- Repentance is “Goodness-of-God-focused”, and not “sin-focused”. (Acts 3:19, 20:21, 26:20)
- Pride, lust, greed, power, control, and recognition rejects humility and surrender of repentance. (Proverbs 16:18; 1 Timothy 6:9-10)