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### **FREE INTRODUCTION**

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# **Identifying Principal Sins**

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#### Foreword

The teachings of this book are not old nor new, but are simply of the Truth—the Truth in words that are easily understood.

<sup>13</sup> This is the end of the matter. All has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man. <sup>14</sup> For God will bring every work into judgment, with every hidden thing, whether it is good, or whether it is evil. ~ Ecclesiastes 12:13-14"

### Dedication I

### In honor of the Lord, the Most High God, and the Creator of Heaven, Earth and all that's in them.

May this book bring many into Your salvation, the Salvation made possible by Your sacrifice on the cross, which was born out of Your steadfast love for those who You have called Your own—and by the acts of your Prophets, Apostles, Servants and Scribes who labored through many acts of persecution, tribulation and troubles to grant many generations Your Word and Truth.

May those who truly seek salvation find it, for it is by Your grace alone that anyone is saved. It was my love for Your commandments and ways that this book came to be, as it was only through the grace of Your wisdom, and the understanding that I gained by living a Christian lifestyle (Christian Practice), that I am able to pass on this teaching to others, and so, my hope is that this book remains a testament to my wholehearted faith and love of the Lord, my God.

Thanks be to God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ for Yours is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory forever and ever. Amen.

### Dedication II

This book is dedicated to my wonderful parents, Chioma Maria-Goretti Elekwachi and Nnamdi Elekwachi, because with them began my faith in the Lord Jesus Christ—they told me God was real when I was only a child, and I believed them, and in God with all my heart ever since! Not only that, but my parents showed me that it is good to be good, and without a doubt it's by this simple principle that God has never forsaken me, nor them.

Furthermore, my mother's faith, throughout all seasons of life (good and bad), greatly inspired and sparked the flame of my very own faith in the Lord, which now burns brighter than ever. This is the foundation on which this book was created, and my hope is that those who read it may find that very same faith.

Last but not least, I thank my brothers, Dan and Chigozie, and my sister, Olympia, for their encouragement and support towards me in all my efforts—their wholehearted kindness towards me in life will never be forgotten.

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The VMFCP Principal Sins are sins that should not be practiced according to the instructions provided by the Book of Proverbs. The Book of Proverbs provides many examples of the sins that God dislikes the most, and so, it serves as evidence-based instruction for Christian conduct and attitude. There are 12 Principal Sins, with the 12th covering a multitude of sins that do not fit neatly into one description. The Book of Proverbs should not be used as a strict law, for example, an athlete might sleep for an extended period of time for recovery purposes, but this does not make them lazy, rather it makes them diligent (Proverbs 9:9-11). More so, many Scriptures in the book of Proverbs should not be taken literally, as many Scriptures that appear literal are actually metaphorical or prophecies. Therefore, it is important not to take the Book of Proverbs 9:1-3:

- "She has prepared her meat. She has mixed her wine. She has also set her table": "preparing meat" refers to the development of Christian teaching and training suitable to anointed Instructors, Apostles and Pastors, which is considered meat because it is more complex, and therefore, harder to digest or understand. "Mixing wine" is a reference to creating teachings about how to live a Christian lifestyle, and therefore, the "table" is my websites because it is where my teachings are served. It does not mean that I, the author of this book, who holds the spiritual title of Wisdom, mixes old wine (sinful lifestyle) and new wine (Christian lifestyle) in the effort to cause people to "burst" or fail (DMW 6) only people can cause themselves to fail at being Christian due to the choices they make.
  - "She has sent out her maidens. She cries from the highest places of the city" (does not indicate the location of the actual Holy City): In reality, this is a metaphor for spreading the Gospel, which is done digitally in this day and age i.e. a website, and informing people of my website.

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**1. Despise** — Unjustified and/or intentional disrespect and disregard towards other people and/or God.

**2. Pride**—An intentional sense of self-superiority aimed at the maintenance of ego that is associated with the belief of actual self-superiority compared to other people or God, and that one's unsavory or immoral actions are without consequence and justified.

**3. Bribery**—The act of giving and accepting material benefits or favours in return for carrying out unsavory or immoral deeds. Accepting mammon (material benefits from occultic participation) is a form of bribery.

**4. Anger**—Frustration that varies in intensity towards others or God that has no justification. i.e. Anger directed towards another person because you are jealous of them. <u>God equates jealousy with idolatry.</u>

**5. Bitterness**—Deep rooted anger towards another person based on unjustified, inconsiderate and self-determined reasons, which are not the other persons fault. Bitterness is often associated with a lack of self-accountability and material or emotional discontent, and therefore jealousy.

**6.** Lust—A lack of self-control in behaviour and actions.



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**7. Covetousness**—A desire to have something that is not yours, which can be associated with anger and bitterness towards the possessor. Covetousness can lead to unsavory or immoral deeds. <u>God equates covetousness with idolatry.</u>

**8. Greed**–A lack of contentment with what one has that is associated with the desire to always acquire more. Greed is sinful when it is acted upon.

**9. Hatred**—An intended, unjustified, and immoral dislike towards others and/or God. Hatred can range extreme to minor, the minor end of the hatred scale is prejudice.

**10. Deviousness**—An absence of issue with dishonesty or deceit towards the self, others and/or God, and therefore, deviousness is common practice among people who tell the worst lies. Lying is worse when (1) the truth is known and (2) a lie is told about another person.

**11. Mercilessness**—Not caring about how one's behaviour and actions affect other people, and therefore, trying to justify intentional evil, wicked, selfish and immoral acts towards other people

**12. Perversion**—An absence of issue with any form of wrong-doing (evil) that is noted in the Bible such as Christian persecution (Isaiah 30:12). Proverbs 6:16-19, Galatians 5:19-21, 1 Corinthians 6:9-10, Matthew 15:19, 2 Timothy 3:1-5, Romans 13:13, and Colossians 3:5-9 cover many of these wrong-doings.

### Examples of What Some Principal Sins Can Look Like in Real-Life

This should help with The RER activity for emotional based sins

Hatred—An intended, unjustified, and immoral dislike towards others and/or God. Hatred can range extreme to minor, the minor end of the hatred scale is prejudice.

**Example:** Greeting, being friendly and helpful towards Caucasian customers, while being rude and unhelpful to customers of other races, which often includes following them as if they came into the store to steal instead of purchase an item i.e. no greeting or help just literally following non-white customers and often making funny looks towards them.

**Bitterness**—Deep rooted anger towards another person based on unjustified self-determined reasons, which are not the other persons fault. Bitterness is often associated with a lack of self-accountability and material or emotional discontent, and therefore jealousy

**Example:** Leaving negative and projective comments on people's social media because they are angry that they don't have someone else's lifestyle. This type of bitterness is reflected in people's social media comments where they link to a random social issue to someone's Instagram post i.e. complaining that "it's not right for a millionaire to be on a yacht in the Bahamas while I am stuck inside because of COVID-19 restrictions". The truth is that if most people were millionaires then they would choose to be on a yacht in the Bahamas too instead of being stuck inside. This is expressed to help sub-lay occultists and "end of the age" Christians understand respect of property, personal lifestyle choices, and freedom of association based on avoiding bitter and jealous people. That is not classism, it is peace of mind. Rather, the bitter and jealous instagrammer is classist because they are inferring that the millionaire shouldn't be allowed to afford nice things within their budget.

**Greed**–A lack of contentment with what one has that is associated with the desire to always acquire more. Greed is sinful when it is acted upon.

**Example:** Stealing someone's intellectual property to make an illegal and unjust profit, thereby "oppressing the wage of a hireling" (Malachi 3:5).

**Despise** — Unjustified and/or intentional disrespect and disregard towards other people and/or God.

**Example:** Not respecting the instructions of a God ordained Scribe which leads to the disqualification from Christianity, especially if some people were never going to accept my teachings for various reasons that are associated with their own wickedness (Isaiah 28:12).

- **Romans 10:17-** So faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
  - NOTE: "Hearing 1" = accepting the Bible or genuine teachings as the Truth, "Hearing 2" = listening, following, doing God's commandments.

The above is why it's a good idea to follow instructions, especially when you knew someone was a Scribe before they even started "Scribing"... OR not listening to instructions because you think you know better than a God ordained Scribe—I repeated that "hearing" and "seeing" is metaphorical and not literal multiple times. This means that despite what it may appear to people who are essentially Biblical illiterates, I am right, and I was always right.

Lust—A lack of self-control in behaviour and actions.

**Example:** Continually purchasing items that you cannot afford to your own financial detriment (debt). Financial burden is a big cause of stress so its best to avoid it. More so, the things you buy will not comfort or help you if your finances spiral out of control.

**Mercilessness**—Not caring about how one's behaviour and actions affect other people, and therefore, trying to justify intentional evil, wicked, selfish and immoral acts towards other people.

**Example:** Peer pressure i.e. insinuating that someone is lame or not cool because they do not want to participate in certain activities like taking drugs or drinking excessive amounts of alcohol. Choosing to act in this manner could contribute to someone's low self-esteem, which can then further drive the negative choices that they make i.e. choosing to take drugs to have "friends". This choice could then lead them into drug addiction.

Therefore, people should know that when others try and compel you to participate in unsavoury acts then they are trying to bring you down to their level i.e. it is a cheap boost to their self-esteem that become like them, and therefore they are not "a lowly druggie" or doing anything wrong. People who behave like this should work on their own self-esteem issues, because a temporary high is not a solution to not being able to deal with real life—drugs are a crutch, nothing more, and so, people need to learn how to deal with life as it comes, not as they would try and make it.

Therefore, overcoming any type of dysfunction or disorder is simply about identifying the root cause(s) and finding ways to cope with them (this takes time). As for the peer pressured person, they need to learn to say "no" and find different and real friends.

#### **FINAL NOTE**

The period of time between my baptism by water and baptism by the Holy Spirit was approximately 3 months, yet prior to that I had already met the standards that became 'The Rules of Righteousness' (without knowing it at that time, i.e. committed no sins that lead to 'death', 1 John 5:17). Therefore, there is no defined timeframe for change to occur, but salvation is for those who truly begin and continue to change. Hence, Christian Practice (lifestyle) is a process that occurs over time. Therefore the most important part is having faith, which is demonstrated by an authentic belief in the Word of God as a document of Truth; a genuine intention to change; the **hope** that God will help you change; and pro-actively making changes in your lifestyle. Together, these three elements demonstrate a good conscience and love towards God and other people, because to love God is to keep His commandments, and to love your neighbor is to do no evil towards them by any means: 1 *Corinthians* 13:13—<sup>13</sup> But now faith, hope, and love remain these three. The greatest of these is love. Above all, Christianity is upheld by faith because it's from faith that hope in God, and a love for God and others arises, and so, those who live by faith are the ones who have faith, hope and love. Therefore, it is through the Christian Faith that a culture of true peace, love and righteousness is born anew. After all it is written in John 3:3—<sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Most certainly, I tell you, unless one is born anew, he can't see God's Kingdom."





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