

WILLFUL SINS

Intro:

- A. Text: Hebrews 10:26-31
- B. In the book "Studying Sin Seriously," Brother Wendell Winkler examines with complete clarity this troubling topic.
- C. Troubling because of the confusion that many have regarding our text, as well as, the consequences described for those guilty of this type of disobedience to God.
- D. A careful exegesis of this passage will help us clear up those areas of confusion and educate us about this spiritual pitfall.
- E. Willful sin.....

I. _____

- A. Some incorrectly assume that forgiveness is not offered to willful sinners, because of the statement "there no longer remains a sacrifice for sin."
- B. But, the Hebrew writer is not addressing a single act of willful sin. If so, then the following is true:
 - 1. Only _____ are forgivable.
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____
 - 4. What about Paul's discussion in Rom. 7:15-25?
 - 5. So what is the Hebrew writer talking about?

II. _____

- A. Specifically, in this text it is willfully abandoning Christianity
- B. The entire book of Hebrews is written to promote the superiority of the New Covenant over the Old Covenant.
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____
- C. Therefore, if a person willfully went back into Judaism after having the full knowledge of the truth, then they were forfeiting the benefits of the only sacrifice that could give them forgiveness.

III. _____

- A. In other words, "this is done when a person is brought face to face with the truth, comes to know the truth, acknowledges truth but still deliberately persists in error."
- B. Examples:
_____ & _____

Conclusion: