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**WHY BABIES
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Deuteronomy 24:16

- *“Fathers shall not be put to death for their sons, nor shall sons be put to death for their fathers; everyone shall be put to death for his own sin.”*

Jeremiah 31:30

- *But everyone will die for his own iniquity; each man who eats the sour grapes, his teeth will be set on edge.*

Ezekiel 18:20

- *The person who sins will die. The son will not bear the punishment for the father's iniquity, nor will the father bear the punishment for the son's iniquity; the righteousness of the righteous will be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked will be upon himself.*

INFANTS AND CHILDREN DO NOT YET KNOW GOOD FROM EVIL AND CANNOT YET REFUSE EVIL AND CHOOSE GOOD

Deuteronomy 1:39

- *Moreover, your little ones who you said would become a prey, and your sons, who this day have no knowledge of good or evil, shall enter there, and I will give it to them and they shall possess it.*

Isaiah 7:16

- *For before the boy will know enough to refuse evil and choose good, the land whose two kings you dread will be forsaken.*

WHILE YOU CAN SIN IN IGNORANCE, YOU ARE NOT HELD TO ACCOUNT UNTIL YOU COME TO KNOW YOU'VE SINNED

Leviticus 5:3-5

- *Or if he touches human uncleanness, of whatever sort his uncleanness may be with which he becomes unclean, and it is hidden from him, and then he comes to know it, he will be guilty. Or if a person swears thoughtlessly with his lips to do evil or to do good, in whatever matter a man may speak thoughtlessly with an oath, and it is hidden from him, and then he comes to know it, he will be guilty in one of these. So it shall be when he becomes guilty in one of these, that he shall confess that in which he has sinned.*

Deuteronomy 11:2

- *Know this day that I am not speaking with your sons who have not known and who have not seen the discipline of the Lord your God—His greatness, His mighty hand and His outstretched arm*

See also Leviticus 4:14; Leviticus 4:22-23; Leviticus 4:27-28

THE PERSON IN ROMANS 7 WAS “ALIVE APART FROM THE LAW. WHEN THE COMMANDMENT CAME, THEN THEY “DIED”

Romans 7:9-10

- *I was once alive apart from the Law; but when the commandment came, sin became alive and I died; and this commandment, which was to result in life, proved to result in death for me;*

Romans 3:20

- *because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.*

THE HIGH PRIEST (CHRIST) COVERED SINS COMMITTED IN IGNORANCE

Numbers 15:22

- *'But when you unwittingly fail and do not observe all these commandments, which the Lord has spoken to Moses*

Numbers 15:25-26

- *Then the priest shall make atonement for all the congregation of the sons of Israel, and they will be forgiven; for it was an error, and they have brought their offering, an offering by fire to the Lord, and their sin offering before the Lord, for their error. So all the congregation of the sons of Israel will be forgiven, with the alien who sojourns among them, for it happened to all the people through error.*

Numbers 15:29

- *You shall have one law for him who does anything unintentionally, for him who is native among the sons of Israel and for the alien who sojourns among them.*

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Hebrews 9:6-7

- *Now when these things have been so prepared, the priests are continually entering the outer tabernacle performing the divine worship, but into the second, only the high priest enters once a year, not without taking blood, which he offers for himself and for the sins of the people committed in ignorance.*

WE SEE THE PATTERN OF FORGIVENESS GIVEN BECAUSE OF IGNORANCE

Jonah 4:11

- *Should I not have compassion on Nineveh, the great city in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know the difference between their right and left hand, as well as many animals?*

Luke 23:34

- *But Jesus was saying, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves.*

1 Timothy 1:13

- *even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. Yet I was shown mercy because I acted ignorantly in unbelief*

WHEN YOU KNOW THE RIGHT THING TO DO, AND DON'T DO IT, IT IS SIN

John 9:41

- *Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but since you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."*

John 15:22

- *If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.*

James 4:17

- *Therefore, to one who knows the right thing to do and does not do it, to him it is sin.*

IT IS ABOUT SINS OF DEFIANCE, OF THE HEART

Numbers 15:30-31

- *But the person who does anything defiantly, whether he is native or an alien, that one is blaspheming the Lord; and that person shall be cut off from among his people. Because he has despised the word of the Lord and has broken His commandment, that person shall be completely cut off; his guilt will be on him.”*

Ezekiel 20:8

- *But they rebelled against Me and were not willing to listen to Me; they did not cast away the detestable things of their eyes, nor did they forsake the idols of Egypt. Then I resolved to pour out My wrath on them, to accomplish My anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt.*

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Isaiah 63:10

- *But they rebelled and grieved His Holy Spirit; Therefore He turned Himself to become their enemy, He fought against them.*

Acts 8:22

- *Therefore repent of this wickedness of yours, and pray the Lord that, if possible, the intention of your heart may be forgiven you.*

Romans 1:18

- *For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them*

THEY ARE SEEN AND INHERITORS AND IN HEAVEN

Deuteronomy 1:39

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2 Samuel 12:23

- *But now he (David's unborn son) has died; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me."*

Matthew 18:10

- *"See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven continually see the face of My Father who is in heaven. (ref: Heb.1:14)*

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