Adam & Eve sinned in disobedience—and in desire (Gen 3:1-7) and the consequences fell upon THEM, and all their CHILDREN.

1. Permanent death in spirit and eventual death physically. *Genesis 2:17*
2. Corrupted nature (loss of the image of God in holiness) and inability to respond to God. *Genesis 3:7-24*

From these two proceed all actual sins—both committed and omitted.

* What I have done—committed.
* What I ought to have done—omitted.

A summary of the Bible’s view of the natural state of fallen man under sin.

1. Totally depraved (state of corruption)—total moral and spiritual corruption in disposition and character.

**Psalm 14:1-3 Romans 1:29-32, 3:9-23** Isaiah 53:6; 64:6 Galatians 3:22

**Psalm 130:3** Genesis 6:5-6; 8:21 Jeremiah 17:9

**Psalm 143:2** 1 Kings 8:46 Luke 11:13 1 John 1:8-10; 5:19

**Ecclesiastes 7:20, 9:3** Psalm 51:5; 58:3 John 5:42 Ephesians 2:1-3; 4:17-19

1. Total inability (no power to change)—incapable of changing our disposition, escaping corruption.

**Jeremiah 13:23** **1 Corinthians 2:14** 1 Corinthians 12:3

**John 6:44, 65** **Revelation 14:3** James 3:8

**Romans 8:7-8** John 14:17; 15:4-5

1. Real guilt (tangible sin truly done)—sin deserves punishment—man, totally depraved and incapable, is then deserving of punishment. He is really sinful and really damnable because he has dishonored and offended god infinitely. Man “cannot” remove this guilt—and God cannot reverse His wrath upon sin.

Psalm 5:4-6 1 John 3:4 Romans 2:15; 3:9-19 Lamentations 3:39

Hebrews 10:26-31 (even in believers sin incurs guilt) we cannot sin without impunity.

Matthew 25:41 2 Thessalonians 1:9

Believers still deal with sin—“the old man”, the old sinful nature defeated but still present. This we must fight and kill (mortify) and struggle with throughout earthly life.

1 John 1:5-10 Proverbs 20:9 Ephesians 4:20-27

Romans 7:13-25 Ecclesiastes 7:20

Colossians 3:1-5 Galatians 5:17