

### Doctrine of Men who Sinned

1. Pharaoh said, *“I have sinned”* when he witnessed the hail mixed with fire running along the ground. He beheld the herbs of the field and the trees being killed and cried out, *“I have sinned.”* Pharaoh had been stiff-necked and rebellious against the Lord.
  - *Exodus 9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.*
  - *Exodus 10:16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the Lord your God, and against you.*
  
2. Balaam said, *“I have sinned,”* having criticized and cursed the people of God and opposed the Lord.
  - *Numbers 22:34 And Balaam said unto the angel of the Lord, I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back again.*
  
3. Achan said, *“I have sinned,”* because he took an accursed item from the city of Jericho. His heart coveted what God did not want him to have.
  - *Joshua 7:20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:*
  
4. Saul said, *“I have sinned,”* when he transgressed the commandment of the Lord and spared that which should have been destroyed.
  - *1 Samuel 15:24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.*

When the soul sins, there is no honor due, though it might be sought.

- *1 Samuel 15:30 Then he said, I have sinned: yet honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the Lord thy God.*

Saul also said, *“I have sinned,”* when he sought to kill David without cause.

- *1 Samuel 26:21 Then said Saul, I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will no more do thee harm, because my soul was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.*

5. David said, “*I have sinned,*” having committed adultery with Bathsheba and murdered her husband.

- *2 Samuel 12:13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord. And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.*

Again, David said, “*I have sinned,*” after he numbered the people of Israel for his heart was lifted up with pride.

- *2 Samuel 24:10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the Lord, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O Lord, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.*
- *2 Samuel 24:17 And David spake unto the Lord when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? Let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.*
- *1 Chronicles 21:8 And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.*

6. Shimei the son of Gera said, “*I have sinned,*” having slandered the anointed of the Lord.

- *2 Samuel 19:20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king.*

7. Job said, “*I have sinned*”. He became enamored with his own righteousness and self-defense.

- *Job 7:20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? Why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?*

8. The prophet Micah said, “*I have sinned,*” when he reflected on the sins of Israel and found his own heart corrupt.

- *Micah 7:9 I will bear the indignation of the Lord, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness.*

9. Judas said, “*I have sinned,*” after betraying the Lord Jesus Christ to be crucified

- *Matthew 27:4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? See thou to that.*

10. The prodigal son said, “*I have sinned,*” when he realized he had filled his life with wasted years of riotous living.

- *Luke 15:18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,*
- *Luke 15:21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.*

11. The divine remedy for sin is confession and gospel repentance.

- *Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*
- *Psalms 41:4 I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.*
- *1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

<b>Men who Sinned</b>		
• Pharaoh	Ruler	He hardened his heart against God
• Balaam	Prophet	He taught the people of Israel to sin
• Achan	Warrior	He coveted that which was cursed
• Saul	King	He was consumed by jealousy and disobeyed the Lord
• David	Holy Author	He committed adultery and murder
• Shimei	Citizen	He cursed the anointed of God
• Job	Businessman	He was proud of his own righteousness
• Micah	Prophet	He recognized in others the corruption of his own heart
• Judas	Apostle	He betrayed the Son of God
• The Prodigal	Son	He lived a riotous life