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.

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