

Week 5:

SIN & REPENTANCE

Read **Romans 3:9-23**

What does the word 'sin' mean?

What are the effect of sin in our lives?

What stops us from seeing the effects of sin in our lives?

Colossians 1:21 NIV

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

What does sin do between us and God?

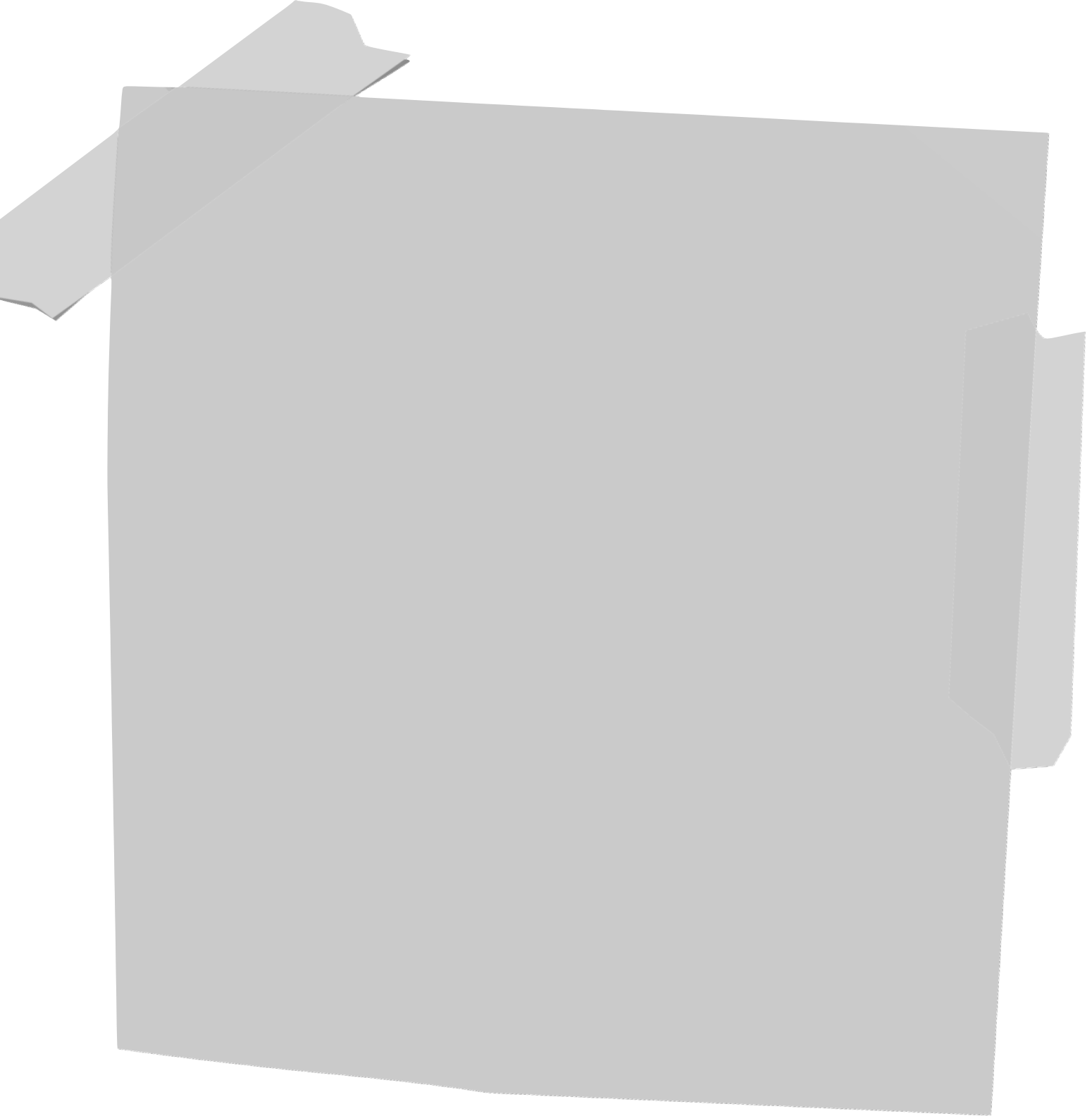
Read **Mark 7:20-23**

Where does Jesus say sin comes from?

Why is it important to see our sin as a heart problem?

Read **Galatians 5:19-21** & **James 4:17**

After reading these scriptures, write thoughtfully about the sin in your life. (We all have it! Getting it out is the first step to getting rid of it.)



What damage does this sin have on your relationship with God and others?

James 5:16 NIV

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

How does confessing our sins to one another bring healing?

Read **2 Corinthians 7:8-11**

What does the biblical word '**repentance**' mean?

What does someone's life look like who has repented of their sin?

Acts 26:20 NIV

First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds.

**Our repentance should be reflected by our actions!

How can you take steps to repent of the sin in your life and turn to God?

CHALLENGE: Continue to study out sin this week and seek help from friends to encourage you in your repentance.