

## Enter into Life

Matthew 18:6

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- Brothers and Sisters in Christ
  - Humility
  - Protection
  - Joy
  - Restoration
  - Forgiveness

## Deal With Sin

- If your hand or foot causes you to sin
  - cut it off and throw it away.
- It is better for you to enter life maimed or crippled
  - than...to be thrown into eternal fire.

## Deal With Sin

- And if your eye causes you to sin
  - cut it off and throw it away.
- It is better for you to enter life with one eye
  - than to...be thrown into the fire of hell.

## Deal With Sin

- Hyperbole
  - exaggeration for effect

## Deal With Sin

- Take our sin seriously.
  - Sin results in eternal punishment.

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- But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars
    - their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur.
- This is the second death.  
- Rev. 21:8

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- Take drastic measures to rid ourselves of sin.

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- ...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles,
    - and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.
- Heb. 12:1

## Don't Tempt Others

- Woe to the world because of things that cause people to sin!

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- Such things must come,
  - but woe to the man through whom they come.

## Don't Tempt Others

- if anyone causes
  - one of these little ones who believe in me to sin
    - “disciples”
  - to sin

## Don't Tempt Others

- it would be better for him
  - to have a large millstone hung around his neck
  - and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.

## Don't Tempt Others

- We have a responsibility to help protect others from sin.
- True disciples do not lead other people into sin.

## Don't Tempt Others

- make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in your brother's way...
    - it is better not to eat meat or drink wine or to do anything else that will cause your brother to fall.
- Rom. 14:13, 21

## Don't Tempt Others

- Do not cause anyone to stumble,
    - whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God
    - even as I try to please everybody in every way.
      - For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many
        - so that they may be saved.
- 1 Cor. 10:32-33

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- Take sin seriously.
- Deal radically with your sinful tendencies.
- Don't be a stumbling block for others.