

Proverbs 20:9 -- "Who can say, 'I have kept my heart pure; I am clean and without sin?' "

Ecclesiastes 7:20 -- "There is not a righteous man on earth who does what is right and never sins."

Isaiah 53:6 -- "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way."

Jeremiah 13:23 -- "Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots? Neither can you do good who are accustomed to doing evil."

Jeremiah 17:9 -- "The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?"

New Testament References

Matthew 15:19 -- "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander."

John 3:3-7 -- "In reply Jesus declared, 'I tell you the truth, unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.' 'How can a man be born when he is old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!' Jesus answered, 'I tell you the truth, unless a man is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." ' "

John 3:19 -- "This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil."

Acts 7:51 -- "You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears!"

Romans 2:1 -- "You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on someone else, for at whatever point you judge the other, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things."

Romans 3:9-18 -- "What shall we conclude then? Are we any better? Not at all! We have already made the charge that Jews and Gentiles alike are all under sin. As it is written: 'There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God. All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one.' Their throats are open graves; their tongues practice deceit. The poison of vipers is on their lips. Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness. Their feet are swift to shed blood; ruin and misery mark their ways, and the way of peace they do not know. There is no fear of God before their eyes.' "

Romans 3:23 -- "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Romans 5:12 -- "Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned."