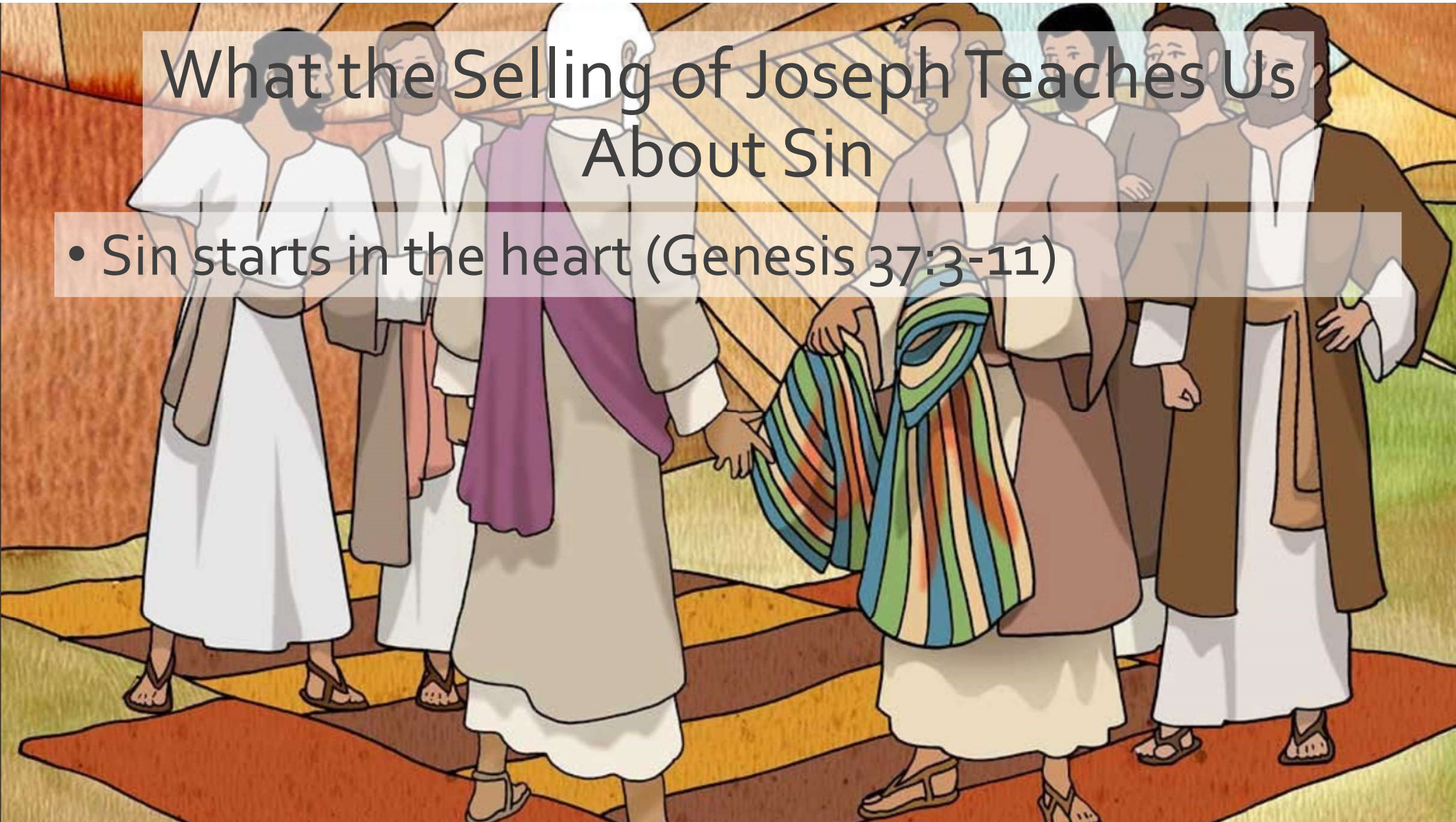


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**Matthew 15:18-19**<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

"But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man. "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.

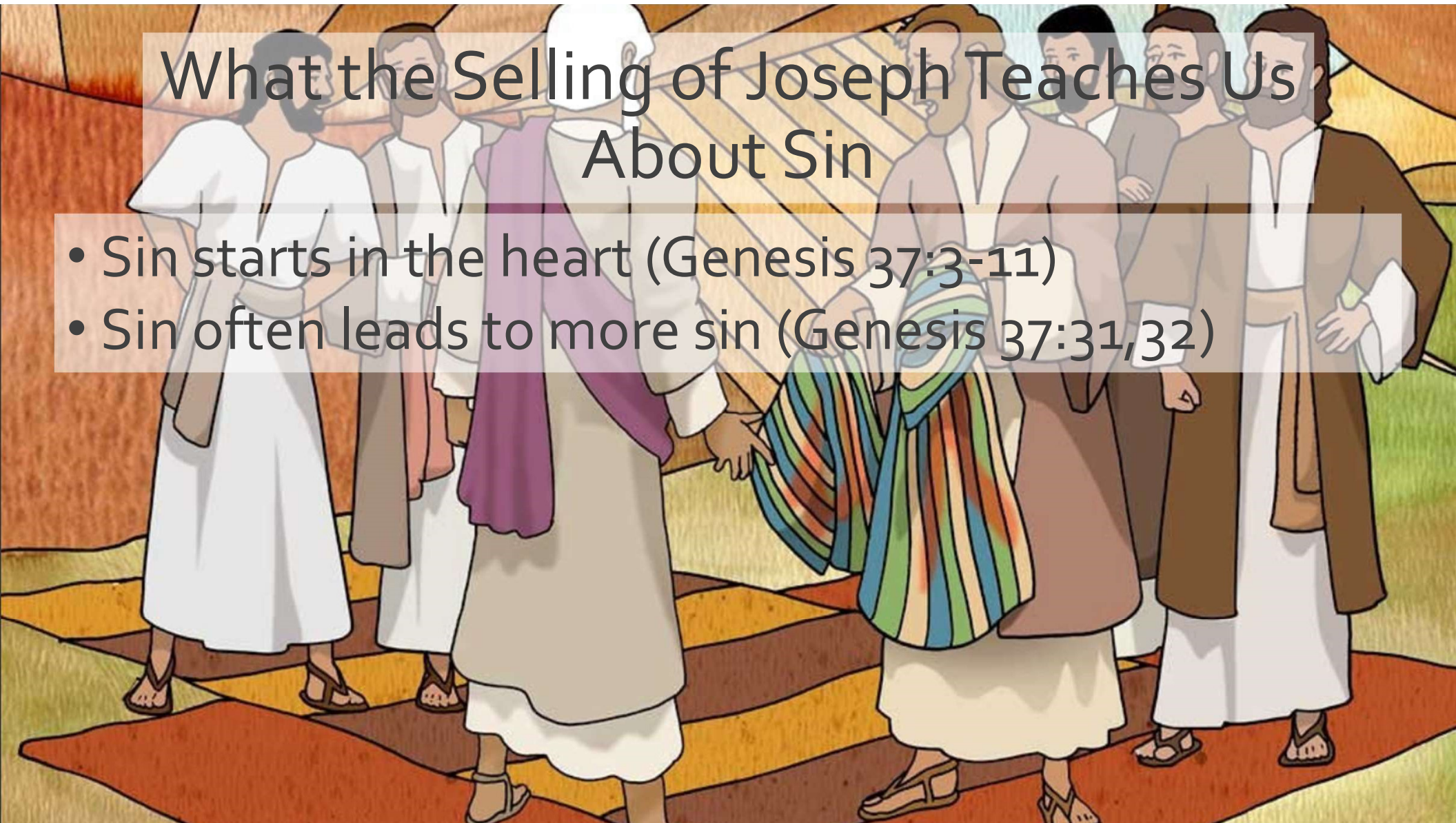
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Proverbs 25:28<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

Whoever has no rule over his own spirit Is like a city broken down, without walls.

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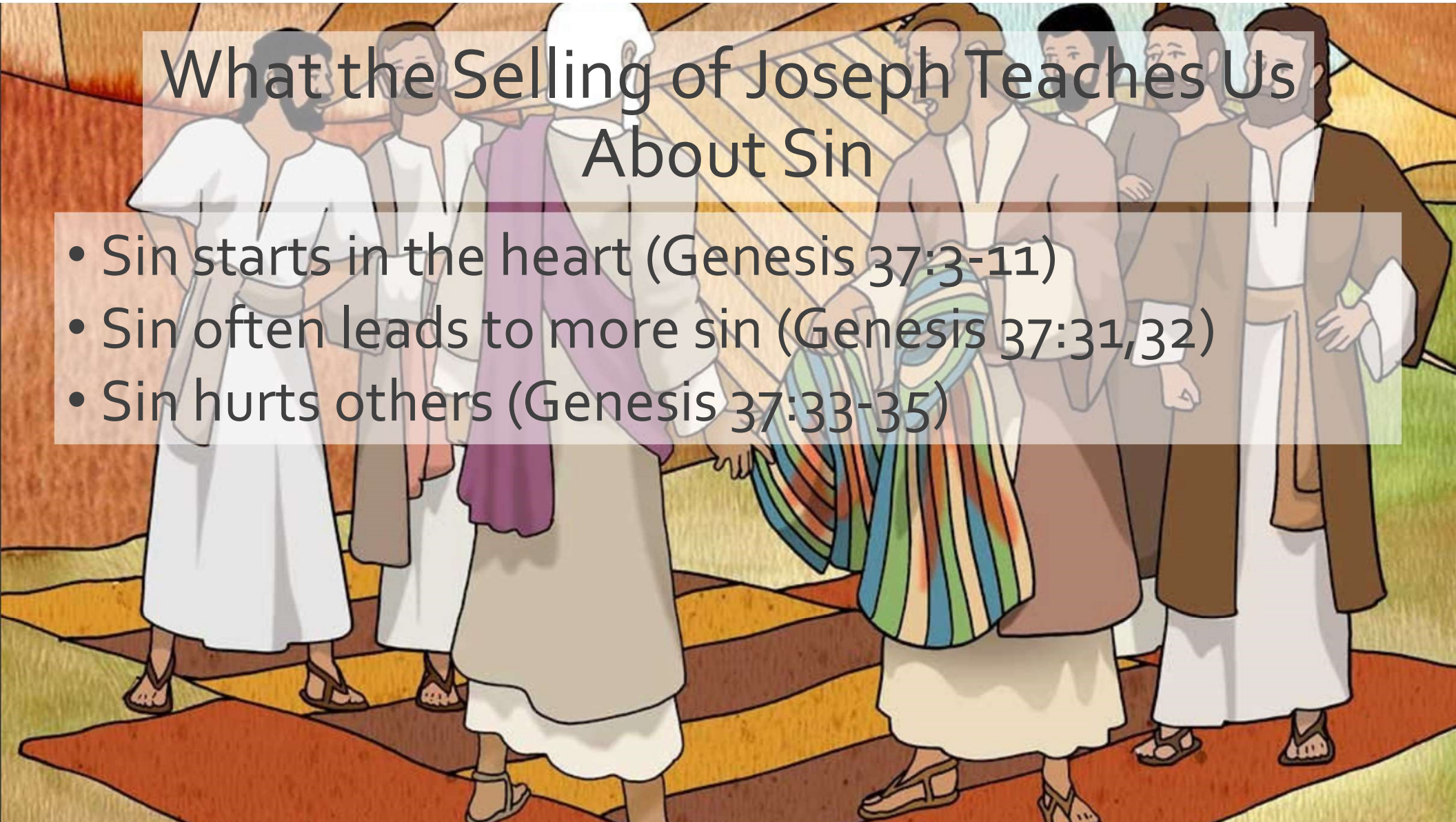
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## Ephesians 4:17-19<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

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**I John 5:2** (NKJV)

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

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**Ephesians 4:29**<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.



Sin hurts others

## Galatians 2:11-13<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

Now when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed; for before certain men came from James, he would eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. And the rest of the Jews also played the hypocrite with him, so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy.

An illustration depicting a group of men in ancient, biblical-style clothing. In the center, a man with a white beard and a purple sash is being led away by a man in a brown robe. To the right, a man in a brown robe is holding a large, colorful striped bundle, likely representing Joseph's coat. Other men in white and brown robes are standing around them, some looking on with concern. The background shows a simple outdoor setting with a wooden structure and a path.

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## Psalm 38:1-10<sub>(NKJV)</sub>

O Lord, do not rebuke me in Your wrath, Nor chasten me in Your hot displeasure! For Your arrows pierce me deeply, And Your hand presses me down. There is no soundness in my flesh Because of Your anger, Nor any health in my bones Because of my sin. For my iniquities have gone over my head; Like a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. My wounds are foul and festering Because of my foolishness. I am troubled, I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long. For my loins are full of inflammation, And there is no soundness in my flesh. I am feeble and severely broken; I groan because of the turmoil of my heart. Lord, all my desire is before You; And my sighing is not hidden from You. My heart pants, my strength fails me; As for the light of my eyes, it also has gone from me.

An illustration depicting a biblical scene, likely the selling of Joseph. Several men in traditional robes are shown. One man in the center holds a large, striped bundle. The background features a stylized architectural structure with a grid pattern.

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Genesis 3:12,13<sup>(NKJV)</sup>

Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." And the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

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