



Why Sin Must Be Punished

We all do bad things sometimes. When you are a kid, bad things result in punishment. Maybe you get sent to our room, or get a privilege taken away, or get a spanking. But why do your parents punish you?

Parents punish because wrong things need to be made right. When you do bad things, you need to recognize that they are bad. You need to see your sin. Parents punish you because they want you to turn away from your sin.

God is holy. God has no sin at all. In fact, God must punish all sin in the world. A long time ago, God decided to punish all of the sin with a flood. He looked down and saw that the men in the world were full of wickedness. But God saved one man's family; that man was named Noah.

Noah didn't deserve to be spared punishment either. Noah had sin in his heart as well, but God chose to allow him to live on and serve him. This is called God's grace.

Discussion Questions

1. Why do parents punish us?
2. What does it mean that God is holy?
3. Why did God send the flood?
4. Why did God spare Noah?

Memory Verse

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. | Romans 6:23

