

What are the “7 Deadly Sins” & Is This Biblical?

Introduction: SIN SEPARATION FROM GOD

There is no Biblical list of “7 deadly sins” in the Bible and this phrase is not found in the Bible.

(Rms. 6-23) “The wages of sin is death” all sins; not just 7.

(James 2-10) “whoever shall keep the whole law, yet offend in”

(Gal. 5:19-21) Paul gives us 18 works that keep us out of heaven.

John Cassian (Monk 360-435, gave first list). Pride, greed, envy, wrath, lust, gluttony, sloth.

Pope Gregory the Great (540-604) put “wrath and lust” at the top.

Dante (1265-1321) popularized the list again, in The Inferno and Divine Comedy. But changed the order.

BBC Pool—new list (9 % never committed any)

God does not single out any of these sins as deadly above all others.

1. Pride- excessive opinion of self. 1 Peter 5:5. Humility.
2. Envy- need to have something not yours. 1 Cor. (4-5) Love.
3. Anger- hostility, agitation. James (1:19-20) Time.
4. Sloth- Laziness. Wake up. Ecc. (10:18), Pro. (19-15) Go to work.
5. Greed-excessive won't. Matt. (5:19-21) Store up in heaven.
6. Gluttony- excessive consumption. Matt. (5-6) Moderation.
7. Lust- uncontrollably passion. Rom. (13-14) Self control.

Cause of sin- Human need for excess. To defeat sin we need a new heart. Ezekiel (36:26&27)

One sin not forgiven. Matt. (12:31)