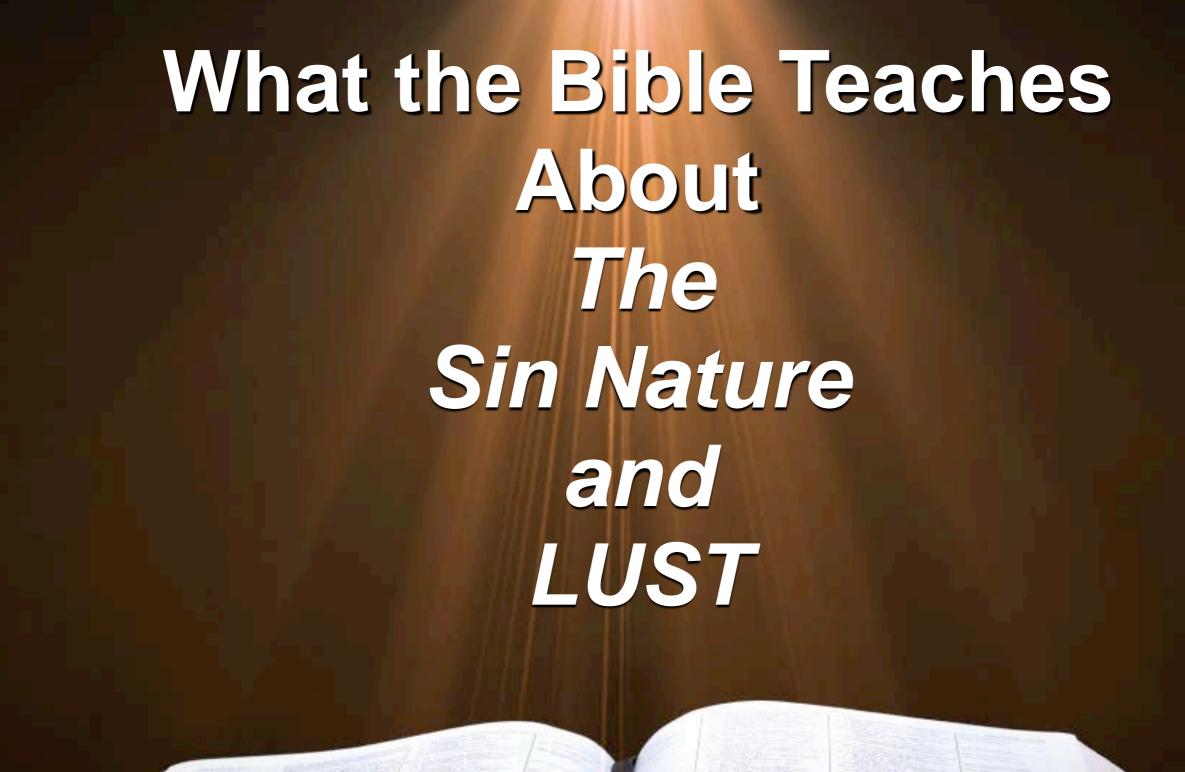
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THE SIN NATURE

Area of Strength HUMAN GOOD

TREND Asceticism, Legalism, Rationalism LUST PATTERN

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Licentiousness,
Lasciviousness,
Antinomianism,
Irrationalism,
Mysticism

Moral Degeneracy PERSONAL SINS

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πλεονεξία

Noun greediness; lust; lust in the sense of greed

1. Lust is both a mental attitude sin as well as a motivational drive within the sin nature.

2. Lust is also seen as the drive behind the war against the Spirit in each believer. Gal. 5:17; Lust is the enemy of the spiritual life.

Mark 4:19, "and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful."

Gal. 5:17, "For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."

3. There are a number of different kinds of lusts: approbation lust, power lust, materialism lust, money lust, sexual lust, food lust, alcohol and drug lust, pleasure lust ...

Deut. 21:20, "And they shall say to the elders of his city, 'This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard.'"

Prov. 23:20, "Do not mix with winebibbers, or with gluttonous eaters of meat;

Prov. 23:21, "For the drunkard and the glutton will come to poverty, and drowsiness will clothe a man with rags."

1 Cor. 6:18, "Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.

1 Thess. 4:3, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality;"

Ex. 20:14, "You shall not commit adultery."

Matt. 5:28, "But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

Lev. 18:6, "None of you shall approach anyone who is near of kin to him, to uncover his nakedness: I am the LORD."

Lev. 18:9, "The nakedness of your sister, the daughter of your father, or the daughter of your mother, whether born at home or elsewhere, their nakedness you shall not uncover."

Lev. 18:11, "The nakedness of your father's wife's daughter, begotten by your father—she is your sister—you shall not uncover her nakedness."

Lev. 20:14, "If a man marries a woman and her mother, it is wickedness. They shall be burned with fire, both he and they, that there may be no wickedness among you." Deut. 27:20, "'Cursed is the one who lies with his father's wife, because he has uncovered his father's bed.' 'And all the people shall say, "Amen!" '"

Lev. 18:22, "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination."

Lev. 20:13, "If a man lies with a male as he lies with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination. They shall surely be put to death. Their blood shall be upon them."

1 Cor. 10:6, "Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted."

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5. Lust leads to a complex of other sins which may include mental attitude sins of anger, physical sins of murder, violence, rape, war; or destructive behavior in the family or the work place.

6. Since the Fall, God gives man up to his lust according to the law of volitional responsibility.

Rom. 1:24, "Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves,"

7. The dynamics of lust patterns are described in two key passages.

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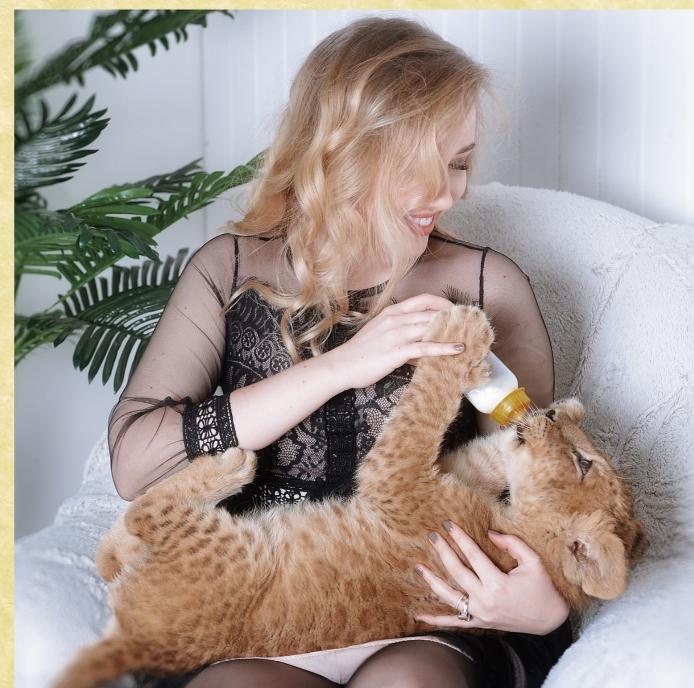
Gen 4:7, "If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it." ~NASB

19 tn The Hebrew term translated "crouching" (רֹבֵץ, rovets) is an active participle. Sin is portrayed with animal imagery here as a beast crouching and ready to pounce (a figure of speech known as zoomorphism). An Akkadian cognate refers to a type of demon; in this case perhaps one could translate, "Sin is the demon at the door" (see E. A. Speiser, Genesis [AB], 29, 32-33).

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8. Living on the basis of our lust drives enslaves and destroys us.

1 Pet. 2:11, "Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,"

James 1:14, "But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

James 1:15, "Then, when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death."

δελεάζω; *deleazō*; to bait or catch by bait, to bait a trap 9. The solution is to not feed the beast. It comes down to volition.

Gal. 5:16, "I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

Col. 3:5, "Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry."