

# GOSPEL GUT CHECK: FIGHTING SIN THE GOSPEL WAY

1 JOHN 2:1-6 (ESV)

I. Too many Christians continue in sin with a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ or numb \_\_\_\_\_.

II. When we are tempted to sin, we must \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ what is already true.

A. Faith looks \_\_\_\_\_ to see what God has already accomplished in the Gospel. In this way, faith is a \_\_\_\_\_ to wield in times of temptation.

1. God \_\_\_\_\_ sinners.

2. The Righteous One \_\_\_\_\_ to the Father on the \_\_\_\_\_ behalf.

3. Because of the cross, God's \_\_\_\_\_ toward those who trust Him has been \_\_\_\_\_.

B. If we do not intentionally grasp and receive these truths, our \_\_\_\_\_ against sin will be greatly \_\_\_\_\_.

III. When we are tempted to sin, we look forward in \_\_\_\_\_ to what God has \_\_\_\_\_ about our future.

A. While the world, flesh, and devil would have you \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_-filled future for yourself, God tells a different story.

1. Because of Christ, you actually can \_\_\_\_\_ God from the \_\_\_\_\_.

2. As you overcome sin in this life, your \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ will grow.

3. Our future obedience and growth is a \_\_\_\_\_ of fellowship with Jesus, not the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Without this kind of hopeful \_\_\_\_\_, Christians don't intuitively know what to expect of \_\_\_\_\_ and are taken advantage of.