



Out of Bounds
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Main Point: We need to break free from our “signature” sins.

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What types of sin tend to entice you the most?

Core

1. Everyone struggles with sin. Even the great apostle Paul struggled with doing good. Read Romans 7:18. What kind of excuses do we use to keep us from doing what we know is right? Why do we continue to sin when we know how much it cost our Savior, Jesus Christ? Do you know someone you think is trapped in denial when it comes to their sin?
2. Often the antidote to denial is pain, sometimes to the point of losing it all. Have you ever experienced loss as a result of your sin or someone else's? Read Psalm 32:3. King David hit many walls when it came to his sin. Why do you think it often has to get to that point for us to realize we need to change? What was David not doing to keep himself away from sin's path?
3. God always gives us a way out of temptation. Read 1 Corinthians 10:13. What is the difference between temptation and sin? When do we cross the line? Why, when God has given us a way out, do we keep running back to the sins that bind us? What keeps us from using the power that is available to us?
4. Read Psalm 139:23-24, 1 John 1:9, James 5:16, Acts 3:19, Galatians 6:1. Using these scriptures as our guide, what steps do we need to take to deal with our temptations and sin?

Challenge

Think of one sin that you know the Lord wants you to deal with. Find at least one trusted person who will pray for you and hold you accountable so you can have freedom from that sin.

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