

BIBLE ABC'S

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Let's discuss the **ABCs** given in the Scriptures:

A - All have sinned. "But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." {Romans 3:21-23}

All men are in the same spiritual condition - guilty of sin. Therefore, all men need a remedy for their sin problem. Men sin, not because they must, but because they make poor choices that violate God's will {1 John 3:4; 5:17}.

B- Be sure, our sins will find us out. "And the land is subdued before the LORD, then afterward you may return and be blameless before the LORD and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the LORD. But if you do not do so, then take note, you have sinned against the LORD; and be sure your sin will find you out." {Numbers 32:22,23}

How can men hide their sins? We live before an all-knowing, all-seeing God {Hebrews 4:13}. On Judgment Day, God will judge men's secrets {Romans 2:16}. Yes, we are free moral agents who make our own choices but every choice we make has consequences. God knows the hearts of men {Luke 16:15}.

C - Christ died for our sins. "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures." {1 Corinthians 15:3}

Man could not pay the price for his sins, so Christ took his place and paid the ransom {2 Corinthians 5:21}. Christ released us from our bondage {Hebrews 2:14,15}.

Dear reader, these simple truths affect our lives. Life is much more than fun, money, possession and making a name for yourself. Yes, life will have its ups and downs, its happy times and sad times, and things we understand and those we don't. Each of us must learn to lean on Him who can lead us through all the storms of life. The bigger question - did He die for you in vain? ***