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*What in the World is Going On?*

“The Battle Over Guilt”



1. Introduction.

The tendency to blame others. (Genesis 3:12–13)

The Scripture’s consistent story. (John 3:18; 18:36)

2. Liberation theology.

Defined: belief that the role of the church was to confront oppression and poverty by “siding with the forces struggling for liberation.” Rather than focusing on personal salvation (conversion), these thinkers focus on *group salvation* (liberation from oppression).

This theology / philosophy undercuts the Biblical view of guilt because it:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ people for sins they \_\_\_\_\_ commit and

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3. A Biblical perspective on sin and guilt.

What is sin? (Isaiah 33:22; Jeremiah 31:33; James 4:12; John 3:4; Matthew 7:23; Judges 17:9)

“Sin is \_\_\_\_\_.”

What will happen because we sin? (2 Corinthians 5:9–10; Romans 14:10–12)

What is guilt? (Genesis 26:10)

What is the solution for guilt? (Psalm 32:1–5)

What is the danger of downplaying sin? (1 Timothy 4:1–3)

Two passages we need to address. (Romans 5; Exodus 20)

4. The Christian’s response to the battle over guilt.

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