

# RESPECTABLE SINS

| SELECTED SCRIPTURES |

“THE MORAL QUALITY THAT BEST POINTS TO GOD’S INCOMPARABLY GOOD CHARACTER IS HOLINESS, FOR HOLINESS IMPLIES THAT EVERY EXCELLENCE FITTING TO THE SUPREME BEING IS FOUND IN GOD WITHOUT BLEMISH OR LIMIT...FOR TO SAY THAT GOD IS HOLY IS NOTHING OTHER THAN TO SAY THAT GOD IS PERFECT IN GOODNESS, BOTH IN ESSENTIAL NATURE AND IN EVERY ENERGY, OPERATION, OR ACTIVITY THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THAT NATURE.”

-THOMAS C. ODEN, THE LIVING GOD



# RESPECTABLE SINS | SELECTED SCRIPTURES

- I. GOD'S UNMATCHED HOLINESS
- II. MAN'S SUBTLE SINFULNESS

SEXUAL IMMORALITY

DRUNKENNESS

DRUGS

ADULTERY

MURDER

HOMOSEXUALITY

PROFANITIES

STEALING

ABORTION

RACISM

FRUSTRATION

DISCONTENTMENT

UNTHANKFULNESS

ANXIETY/WORRY

PRIDE

SELFISHNESS

SELF-CONTROL

IMPATIENCE

IRRITABILITY

ANGER

JUDGMENTALISM

ENVY

JEALOUSY



“THE RESULT [FOCUSING ONLY ON GROSS SINS] IS THAT FOR MANY MORALLY UPRIGHT BELIEVERS, THE AWARENESS OF PERSONAL SIN HAS EFFECTIVELY DISAPPEARED FROM THEIR CONSCIENCES...BUT, IT HAS NOT DISAPPEARED FROM THE SIGHT OF GOD.”

-JERRY BRIDGES, RESPECTABLE SINS

“...GOD IS HOLY, ALL HOLY, ONLY HOLY, ALTOGETHER HOLY,  
AND ALWAYS HOLY, SO SIN IS SINFUL, ALL SINFUL, ONLY SINFUL,  
ALTOGETHER SINFUL, AND ALWAYS SINFUL.”

- RALPH VENNING, THE SINFULNESS OF SIN



# RESPECTABLE SINS | SELECTED SCRIPTURES

- I. GOD'S UNMATCHED HOLINESS
- II. MAN'S SUBTLE SINFULNESS
- III. GOD'S SANCTIFYING GRACE

# RESPECTABLE SINS | BE DILIGENT IN....

## 1. ...THE USE OF PRIVATE MEANS OF GRACE

- READING OF SCRIPTURE
- PRAYER
- MEDITATION
- SELF-EXAMINATION

## 2. ...THE USE OF PUBLIC MEANS OF GRACE [SUNDAY WORSHIP]

- PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD
- CORPORATE PRAYER
- SINGING
- LORD'S TABLE



# RESPECTABLE SINS | BE DILIGENT IN....

3. ...WATCHING OVER YOUR CONDUCT IN THE LITTLE MATTERS OF EVERYDAY LIFE
4. ...FORMING FRIENDSHIPS
5. ...COMMUNING WITH JESUS DAILY