

Indwelling Sin in Believers by John Owen

Chapter 5: Aversion to Everything Good

1. Which two operations of the law of sin show its character of enmity?
2. What three things does Owen say spring from this root?
3. When you come to worship why should you pay careful attention to your affections?
4. How does Ezekiel 33:31 warn us about this?
5. What two causes may be present in those who claim not to find aversion working in them?
6. In acts of obedience such as private prayer, how does aversion show itself in the affections? In the mind?
7. What danger lies in giving up private spiritual exercises?
8. What two causes of apostasy does Owen identify on page 29?
9. Leaving sin alone causes it to wither and fade away (True/False)
10. How is this aversion to God also seen in public duties?
11. What is the great method Owen recommends to overcome the effects of this aversion?
12. Sin only affects one area of life at a time (True/False)
13. How must we forestall the very first workings of this aversion?
14. Why must we persist in diligence against this aversion?
15. Why should we keep a constant sense of this secret aversion to spirituality?
16. Why must we labor to fix our minds on the beauty of spiritual things?
17. What happens when men lose a sense of the beauty of the things of God?
18. Owen exhorts us to let the soul labor to acquaint itself with the spiritual beauty of three things. What are they?