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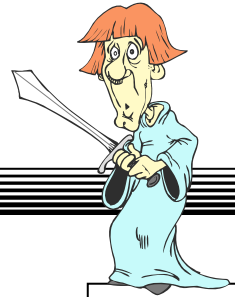
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# Our Fight with Sin

part 3

*Reconsidering How Hard We're Willing to Fight*



1. Admit \_\_\_\_\_ (v.4)

Hebrews 12:4

In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. (NIV)

2. Step \_\_\_\_\_ (v.4b)

3. Step \_\_\_\_\_ (v.4a)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Hebrews 11:32-38**. What is your reaction to reading about people who lived distinctively godly lives and suffered as a result?
2. Describe a situation when your quest to be holy brought pain into your life?

How do you view that situation now that some time has past?

3. What are some of the extreme sacrifices of Christians who lived after New Testament times that help you put your sacrifices in perspective?
4. Read **Romans 12:1-2**. What specifically can you do to redouble your efforts to resist the temptation of being poured into the world's mold?
5. Read **Matthew 5:13-16**. In what ways have you "hidden your holiness" as you've gone about your daily life?

Write out a prayer of commitment that reflects your desire to "let your deeds be seen" by others in a more demonstrative way this week.

## *Read Through the Bible in a Year*

Here's this week's schedule:

September 16<sup>th</sup>  
*Is. 37-38 & 2Cor. 2*  
September 17<sup>th</sup>  
*Is. 39-40 & 2Cor. 3*  
September 18<sup>th</sup>  
*Is. 41-42 & 2Cor. 4*  
September 19<sup>th</sup>  
*Is. 43-44 & 2Cor. 5*  
September 20<sup>th</sup>  
*Is. 45-46 & 2Cor. 6*  
September 21<sup>st</sup>  
*Is. 47-48 & 2Cor. 7*  
September 22<sup>nd</sup>  
*Is. 49-50 & 2Cor. 8*  
September 23<sup>rd</sup>  
*Is. 51-52 & 2Cor. 9*

Here is a list of other CDs available from past sermons which may assist you in your further study of today's message.

- CD # 0303 – **Holiness: Why Being Holy is Such a Big Deal**
- CD # 9909 – **David & Goliath: The Story of a Giant & a Really Tall Guy**
- CD # 0719 – **Ambitious Faith: Living & Dying with Biblical Confidence**
- CD # 0304 – **Holiness: When the Monastery is Not an Option**
- CD # 0330 – **The Real Battle: Help & Hope When Doubt Creeps In**

Here are some resources that will assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in this week's sermon.  
(To see other recommendations by Pastor Mike related to this and other topics go to [www.CompassBooks.org](http://www.CompassBooks.org).)

- Atherstone, Andrew. **The Martyrs of Mary Tudor ("Travel With" Series)**. Day One Publications, 2005.
- Edwards, Brian H. **God's Outlaw: The Story of William Tyndale and the English Bible**. Evangelical Press, 1976.
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- Howat, Irene. **Ten Girls Who Didn't Give In: Inspiring Stories of Martyrs**. Christian Focus Publications, 2005.
- McKeehan, Toby and Mark Heimermann. **Jesus Freaks: Stories of Those Who Stood for Jesus**. Albury Publishing, 1999.
- \_\_\_\_\_. **Jesus Freaks Volume 2: Stories of Revolutionaries Who Changed Their World**. Bethany House, 2002.
- Newell, Marvin J. **A Martyr's Grace: Stories of Those Who Gave All for Christ and His Cause**. Moody Press, 2006.
- Ryle, J. C. **Five English Reformers**. Banner of Truth, 1960.
- Saint, Steve. **End of the Spear: When Two Worlds Collide & One Family Faces Its Ultimate Challenge**. Saltriver, 2005.
- St. James, Rebecca. **Sister Freaks: Stories of Women Who Gave Up Everything for God**. FaithWords, 2005
- Water, Mark, ed. **The New Encyclopedia of Christian Martyrs**. Baker Books, 2001.
- Wiersbe, Warren. **Living with the Giants: The Lives of Great Men of the Faith**. Baker Books, 1993.