

Sinners Less Because He Is Sinless
1 John 3:4-6

The doctrine of the IMPECCABILITY OF CHRIST

1. Throughout His dispensation on earth—from His birth to His ascension—Jesus did not sin.
2. In His humanity He was tempted in every way, yet never succumbed.

Jesus never succumbing to temptation: how?

Hypostatic union: 100% God, 100% Human

‘non posse peccarre’ (divine nature)

- Not able to sin

‘posse non peccarre’ (human nature)

- Able not to sin
 - *By full dependence upon the Holy Spirit (kenosis)*

“Let no one say when he is tempted, ‘I am being tempted by God,’ for God cannot be tempted with evil, and He himself tempts no one.”

James 1:13 (ESV)

“And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.”

Isaiah 11:2 (ESV)

“Behold My servant, whom I uphold, My chosen, in whom My soul delights; I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations.”

Isaiah 42:1 (ESV)

“And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee,
and a report about Him went out through all the
surrounding country.”

Luke 4:14 (ESV)

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, (19)to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Luke 4:18–19 (ESV)

“whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.”

1 John 2:6 (ESV)

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“But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.”

Galatians 5:16 (ESV)

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“...having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.”

Romans 6:18 (ESV)

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"If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.
(16)And I will ask the Father, and He will give you
another Helper, to be with you forever, (17)even the
Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because
it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for
He dwells with you and will be in you."

John 14:15–17 (ESV)

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. (26) But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.”

John 14:25–26 (ESV)

“What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? (2)By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? (3)Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? (4)We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”

Romans 6:1-4 (ESV)

“For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in Him we might become the righteousness of
God.”

2 Corinthians 5:21 (ESV)

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fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. (5) I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. (6) If anyone does not abide in Me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. (7) If you abide in Me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever

John 15:4-7 (ESV)

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"you wish, and it will be done for you."

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If you will fear the Lord and serve Him and obey His voice and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, and if both you and the king who reigns over you will follow the Lord your God, it will be well. (15) But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord, but rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then the hand of the Lord will be against you and your king."

1 Samuel 12:14–15 (ESV)

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. (5) I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

John 15:4–5 (ESV)

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh." ...(22)But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, (23)gentleness, self-control..."

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