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1 john 3:8 - posted by joeSOC, on: 2009/1/17 2:27

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1 John 3:8 God's Word Translation

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Joe

Re: 1 john 3:8 - posted by HeartSong, on: 2009/1/17 2:42

Hello Joe,

Why does this terrify you?

Re: 1 john 3:8 - posted by Logic, on: 2009/1/17 22:45

You use a very bad translator/interpretation of the Bible.

Quote:

-----joeSOC wrote:

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1John 3:8 He that is committing sin is of the devil;
It does not say that sinners "belong" to the devil, but are "**OF**" or even "from" the devil.
The word "of" denotes origin.

These two verses have the same word for "OF" as "from" & "out"

Mat 13:49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked **from** (or of) among the just,

Mat 13:52 Mat 13:52 Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe who is instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is a householder, who brings forth **out** (or of) of his treasure things new and old.

So, IOW, **1John 3:8** He that is committing sin, his intentions are from the same as where the devil's intention is from; that is one's own selfish desires.

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The thing to be terrified of is yourself, not of belonging to the devil.
What are your intentions for everything that you do?

Re: - posted by joeSOC, on: 2009/1/19 6:23

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Re: 1 john 3:8 - posted by sojourner7 (), on: 2009/1/19 9:37

Dear Joe, no need to be terrified. Make the Son of God your reason and purpose for living; and you will receive His Nature, which is holy and perfect, and His power, which will destroy the works of the enemy in your life!!

Re: - posted by Logic, on: 2009/1/19 13:48

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Reproofs of instruction are the way of life: Prob 6:23b

IOW, thats the way it goes.
Sinless perfection is possible, but improbable.

John expected that people will sin **1John 2:1** ...if any man sin, we have an advocate...James knew that he, himself sins, along with the reast of mankind

James 3:2a For in many things we all offend.

Proverbs 24:16 For a righteous man falls seven times, and rises again, But the wicked stumble in time of calamity.

Psalm 37:23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and HE delights in his way.
:**24** Though he falls, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholds him with his hand.
Notice that God delights in the man Â“THOUGH HE FALLSÂ” He is even called a good man.

It's not being based on sin, but what he does WHEN he sins; which is getting right back up.