

# Would He Not Stab It With a Thousand Wounds?

by Thomas Brooks

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*We should hate sin for its role in Christ's death and sufferings, and strive to be revenged on it.*

**Scripture:** Isaiah 53:5, Romans 6:1

**Topics:** "Christ's Sacrifice", "Sin"

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## Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the abhorrence of sin by reflecting on the immense suffering it caused Christ. He argues that if sin led to the crucifixion of our Savior, it should evoke a deep indignation within us, compelling us to reject and fight against it. Brooks uses vivid imagery, comparing sin to a snake that has killed a loved one, suggesting that we should not embrace what has caused such pain. He challenges Christians to consider how they can tolerate the very sins that betrayed and condemned Christ. Ultimately, he calls for a passionate response against sin, recognizing it as the true enemy that brought about Christ's suffering.

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## Transcript

Sin never appears so odious, as when we behold it in the red glass of Christ's sufferings. Can we look upon sin as the occasion of all Christ's sufferings; can we look upon sin as that which made Christ a curse, and which made Him forsaken of His Father, and which made Him live such a miserable life, and which brought Him to die such a shameful, painful, and cruel death--and our hearts not rise against it?

Shall our sins be grievous unto Christ--and shall they not be odious unto us? Shall He die for our sins--and

shall not we die to our sins? Did not He suffer for sin  
--that we might cease from sin?

If one would kill our father--would we hug and embrace  
him? Surely not! We would be revenged on him. Sin has  
killed our Savior--and shall we not be revenged on it?

Can a man look upon that snake which has stung his  
dearly-loved wife to death--and preserve it alive, warm  
it at the fire, and hug it in his bosom? Would he not  
stab it with a thousand wounds? It is sin which has  
stung our dear Jesus to death, which has crucified our  
Lord, clouded His glory, and shed His precious blood!

Oh, how should this stir up our indignation against sin!

Ah, how can a Christian make much of those sins, which  
have killed his dearest Lord! how can he cherish those sins  
which betrayed Christ, and bound Christ, and condemned  
Christ, and scourged Christ, and which violently nailed Him  
to the cross, and there murdered Him!

It was neither Judas, nor Pilate, nor the Jews, nor the  
soldiers--which could have done our Lord Jesus the  
least hurt--had not our sins, like so many butchers  
and hangmen, come in to their assistance!

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