

## **Six Sins that will Sink a Nation, Family, or Individual**

1. Pride - Habakkuk 2:4-5
2. Agressive Greed - 2:6-8 1st Woe
3. Drive for Security - 2:9-11 2nd Woe
4. Cruel Power - 2:12-14 3rd Woe
5. Manipulation - 2:15-17 4th Woe
6. Idolatry - 2:18-20 5th Woe

### **1. Self-check - Pride - opposite quality - humility**

*[] Am I a proud person? do I wear a mask - pride can be disguised*

*[] Do I resist help from others?*

*[] Am I teachable or is my way always right?*

*[] Do I admit mistakes, wrongs, problems - taking personal responsibility for words, attitudes and actions?*

*[] Must I “win” in conversations and relationship matters?*

### **2. Self-check - Greed - opposite quality - contentment**

*[] Am I driven by a desire to “have stuff?”*

*[] Am I content with what I have or am I agitated and discontent?*

*[] Do I justify going into debt to get things that I want to have now?*

*[] Do I know God’s principles for finances & money management?*

### **3. Self-check - opposite quality - trusting God for our security**

*[] Am I trusting “something / or someone” for my security instead of God?*

*Physically, financially, health, etc.?*

*[] Is my work to fund my retirement taking away from my relationships with loved ones? We can be workaholics.*

*[] Do I justify “putting away for a rainy day” at the expense of wisely investing in the Lord’s work locally and around the world?*

**4. Self-Check - opposite quality - genuine love**

*[] Was I abused as a child, teen? Am I being abused presently? Am I being abused as an adult? (you need help)*

*[] Do I get angry and “do something” hurtful to someone?*

*[] Are my words - critical, harsh, cruel, unkind?*

*[] Do I blame others for my problems, actions, mistakes?*

*[] Are people close to me - afraid of me?*

**5. Self-check — opposite quality - respectful freedom**

*[] Do I do things to manipulate people so I can humiliate them in some way for a “put down,” to get even, or to feel better about myself?*

*[] Do I get drunk so I don’t know what I’m saying or doing? Or what people are doing to me?*

*[] Do I have a scorched earth attitude toward relationships - to do as much damage as possible and then blame others for the relational mess?*

**6. Self-check - opposite - true & living Creator God, Yhwh**

*[] Who or what am I working and living for?*

*[] Who or what am I trusting for my eternal salvation and present well-being?*

*[] Who or what brings me great joy and delight?*

*[] What guides my decision making processes?*

*[] On what am I spending my money?*

*[] Where will I go when I die?*

*Real satisfaction and joy come from knowing God personally  
and obeying His directions.*