

The Bond of Iniquity

by Thomas Brooks

Thomas Brooks' sermon emphasizes the severe bondage of sin on the soul and the urgent need for liberation from it.

Scripture: Psalm 107:10, Isaiah 61:1, John 8:34, John 8:36, Acts 8:23, Romans 6:16, Galatians 5:1, Ephesians 4:22, Hebrews 12:1, 2 Peter 2:19

Topics: "Spiritual Bondage", "Sin"

Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the destructive nature of sin, describing it as a 'bond of iniquity' that enslaves the soul. He illustrates how sin acts as a chain that binds the sinner to curses, wrath, and ultimately hell, making it the worst form of bondage. Brooks urges listeners to view their sins as chains that should evoke loathing and a desire for freedom. He highlights that unlike any earthly chains, the chains of sin are the most grievous and should compel one to seek liberation through Christ. The sermon calls for a deep reflection on the nature of sin and the urgent need for spiritual emancipation.

Transcript

"I perceive that you are in the gall of bitterness,
and in the bond of iniquity." Acts 8:23

If you would arm and fence yourselves against
sin, then look upon sin as the soul's bonds.

Iniquity is a chain, a bond. Now, bonds and
chains gall the body, and so does sin the soul.

As poor captives are held fast in their chains,
so are sinners in their sins.

For as bonds tie things together, so does
sin tie the sinner and the curse together.

Sin binds the sinner and wrath together.

Sin links the sinner and hell together.

Ah! There is no bondage like soul bondage,
no slavery like soul slavery.

Ah, friends! you should never look upon your
sins--but you should look upon them as your
bonds; yes, as the worst bonds that ever were!

All other chains are golden chains, chains of pearl,
compared to those chains of iron and brass, those
chains of lust, with which you are bound. Ah! who
can thus look upon his chains--his sins--and not
loathe them, and not labor for freedom from them?

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