

Fallen Leaders & Fallen Followers
Select Scriptures
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3 Reasons Why Leaders Falling Into Sin Should Not Surprise Us

1. _____
(1 Corinthians 10:12-13A)

2. _____
(Galatians 5:17; Romans 7:18-24)

3. _____
(Numbers 32:23; Proverbs 10:9; Luke 12:2-3)

Any one of us can fall into any sin! Only our Christ is perfect! (Hebrews 4:15)

Equally, our God expects that His under-shepherds not fall into reproachful,
_____sin. (1 Timothy 3:1-7)

When a pastor is no longer above reproach he is permanently disqualified from being a pastor. (See 1 Timothy 4:16; 5:7; Psalm 101:6; Philippians 3:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:9; Hebrews 13:7; 1 Peter 5:3)

The battle to withstand the temptations to sin is life long! (1 John 3:2)
Choose your friends wisely! (1 Corinthians 15:33-34)

Proper Biblical Repentance is:

Why make the effort and commitment to gather for public worship each Lord's Day:
(Hebrews 10:23-25; Galatians 6:1-2; 2 Corinthians 2:5-11)

The stakes are high! (James 3:1; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27)

Two Truths:

1. More of us are _____ than we may think! (1 Corinthians 11:1)

2. Any sin, not just sexual sin, can _____ cause us to no longer be above reproach.

In 2025, if you think that you will stand, take heed ... be careful, in case you fall!

... THEN SO COULD !!

Closing Thought:

At the time of your salvation, after Christ _____ you in His righteousness, Satan pinned a _____ on the back of your robe!

Discussion Questions:

1. What things hit you most in this sermon? Why? What needs to change for you?

2. Without naming names, do you know of a believer who is no longer above reproach and who is living with the spike nail hole in his or her barn door? Has that unnamed person ever talked to you about it? What was said?

3. Biblically, how do repentance, forgiveness and restoration fit together? Are we forgiven even though we still have consequences? Use biblical characters to defend your answer.
