

4 Why We Sin When We Know So Much (part 2)

3. Most Christians do not intend to sin, they just leak.
4. This leaking is about warring beliefs. It's not by having good intentions that you can will these beliefs away.
5. Most sins are not intentions of the moment, but are merely the tip of the iceberg, where beneath the surface is perhaps a glacier of sin and vice that has deep relational and historical roots.
6. Beware of the prayers of magic or avoidance for God to take these away.
7. Becoming a Christian can exacerbate this problem of not knowing your heart.
8. No amount of surface correcting or immediate behavioral change will transform the heart.
9. Self-awareness is a necessary ingredient to open your heart, but by itself, it will not transform.
10. The process of transformation is going to require a power strong enough to penetrate into your heart to resolve whatever need at the core is driving you.

E. Process of change

1. Open your heart in prayer to the word of God
2. Trials and “thorns in the flesh.”

Power is perfected, not in power, but in weakness.

3. Opening to God's work in all circumstances.