

REBELLION **(I Samuel 15:23)**

For a person to rebel means that person has sinned. However, to rebel is even more serious a term than sin because it involves a deliberate action against whatever authority we choose to rebel against.

Daniel 9:5 During the captivity of Israel at the time of Daniel, when he prayed to the Lord he realized that the time was just about fulfilled that Jeremiah spoke of regarding the nations captivity. His prayer was one that God heard because Daniel confessed the rebellion and terrible sins of Israel.

THE FIRST REBELLION

Genesis 3:6-13 The first people on earth that rebelled against God were of course Adam and Eve.

Isaiah 14:12-14 Here we find the first rebellion in heaven was Lucifer. When we rebel against God we are following Satan. We are either “ walking in the Spirit, or walking in the flesh.”

Psalm 58:3 The bible is clear about humanities sinful nature. We start to rebel as soon as we are born.

Isaiah 53:6 The prophet gives us the truth about who they are that sin and rebel against God.

FORMS OF REBELLION

Isaiah 1:2 The Lord speaks to those He has saved and cared for but they turn against Him and rebel.

Proverbs 30:17 Rebels rebel with their lips, their looks, and their life style. Wives rebel against husbands, children against parents, church members against pastors, citizens against police, etc.

Job 24:13; Psalm 107:11-12 People have forever rebelled against God's word.

Isaiah 63:10; Matthew 12:31 The bible tells us clearly that to rebel against the Spirit of God will not be tolerated by God at all.

FRUITS OF REBELLION

Numbers 20:10-12 The anger of the Lord is against those that rebel against His commandments regardless of who it is, even Moses.

Joshua 7:20, 24-25 Rebellion against God not only affects the offender but also affects those that are family, friends, other church members etc.

I Corinthians 3:15; Hebrews 3:17-19 The sin of rebellion will alter our future life on earth and our future rewards at the judgment Seat of Christ.

THE FOLLY OF REBELLION

Numbers 32:23; II Timothy 3:9 The sin of rebellion against God will show itself sooner or later to those people around us, whether at home, at work, or in the church.

Galatians 6:7 We can be assured that whatever we do regarding rebellion will come back on us.

Lamentations 1:20 Most of us that have rebelled realize that remorse and regret will follow sooner or later. It is always better to repent and seek forgiveness with the Lord than to sulk and be depressed.

Hebrews 12:17 Some who have rebelled against the Lord their whole life find that their heart is calloused and too hard to repent and be saved late in life.