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God FORMS Us Sin DEFORMS Us Jesus TRANSFORMS Us Holy Spirit CONFORMS Us

And yet, O LORD, you are our Father. We are the clay, and you are the potter. We all are formed by your hand.

- Isaiah 64:8

Let's talk about the "and yet".

Isaiah 64:6-7

The "deformation" sin causes does <u>not</u> nullify our "formation" by God...

You are still made in His image, loved unconditionally, and offered eternal life.

Sin is a result of

(fill in the blank)

Revelation 12:7-9
Genesis 3:1-7

Satan sinned against God, and then, cast out of heaven, set out to destroy the crown jewel of God's greatest creation...

Sin was introduced into the world and became a part of our lives.

BUT, HOW DOES IT HAPPEN? SIN DEFORMS US

It's your sins that have cut you off from God.

Because of your sins, he has turned away
and will not listen anymore.

- Isaiah 59:2

SEPARATION

BUT, HOW DOES IT HAPPEN? SIN DEFORMS US

Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away.

These desires give birth to sinful actions.

- James 1:14-15a

INSTIGATION

BUT, HOW DOES IT HAPPEN? SIN DEFORMS US

... obeying the devil – the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God.

- Ephesians 2:2

NEGATION

SEPARATION

Creating a chasm between us and God

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SIN DEFORMS US

For the person who keeps all of the laws except one is as guilty as a person who has broken all of God's laws.

- James 2:10

Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do and then not do it.

- James 4:17

SIN DEFORMS US

If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth.

- 1 John 1:8

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.

- Romans 3:23

This truth, that sin deforms us, is foundational to our formidable faith...

We need to stop comparing our sin with someone else's sin and start comparing our life with God's holiness.

