

don't want to be under communist tyranny. We just forget those people and think only of those related to us. That is a human tendency, a tendency of the sinful human heart. Think of the sin of failing to pray. In 1 Sam. 12:23 we read how Samuel had just rebuked Saul, and said that God was going to take the kingship away from Saul for the --his sin, for his rebellion against God, and then Samuel went on and said, But God forbid that I should sin in ceasing to pray for you." He had a duty toward Saul. He had a duty toward the people who were under Saul's direction, and how much has gone wrong in the world because some of us have failed to pray. How many a man has fallen into some temptation? has failed in some undertaking because those who should have been buoying him up in prayer have forgotten to pray. The sin of neglected prayer. The sin of failing to pray is as bad in God's sight as the sin of murder. This is the nature of sin. Oh it has many subtle manifestations. How easy it is for us to desire to do the Lord's will and then get diverted off, everyone of us, how easy to get diverted into doing things for our own pleasure things for our own well being and forgetting the great purposes that God has for us. God wants us to have a certain amount of relaxation. We need it in order that we can have top efficiency, but how easy it is to let these things become -- take up too much of our time and effort, and this sin in God's sight is very deadly. That's No. 4 as we turn to the next side.

We see the deadliness of sin, the nature of sin. The wages of sin is death. That is the very nature of sin -- is to be deadly. We have all heard about these men who get onto planes hiding a weapon on them. And then on the plane they will pull out the weapon and demand that the plane carry them half way around the world perhaps or take them off somewhere other than where it wants to go, and threaten to kill the pilot or to kill the stewardesses and a number of people have been injured in these hijackings, and it is only right that the Govt. should say that every person that boards the plane now should be searched and that his baggage should be searched. But now we read that just last week Sen. Hartke got on a plane and refused to be searched. He said, I'm a U.S. senator and you can't search me." And they let him go on. And then he took another plane and he did the same thing. And then he got out into Arizona and he was with a third company and he went to get on and he refused to allow himself to be searched and they refused to let him on.