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The Bible tells us that God made the whole world and everything in it, the mountains, the oceans, the birds and animals, everything. And because God made everything it all belongs to him. God is the boss or king of the whole world. God made people too, and he gives us life. That means he's our king. God is not a bossy, selfish king like some human kings. He is kind and loving and good. We should love to serve God as our king and delight in doing what pleases him.

The trouble is, we don't like doing what God tells us to do. Instead, we want to be the king of our own lives. We want to do what we want, not what God wants. That's rebellion against the one true king. This verse tells us that all of us have rebelled against God in this way. We all have sinned against God.

What is sin?

- Sin is saying, or doing, or thinking anything that displeases God.
- Sin is breaking God's law; disobeying one of God's commands.
- Sin also includes things we should do (like loving others), but don't.

Because God is holy (God never sinned, not even once), he hates sin. Sin separates us from God and makes us his enemies. Sin makes God angry and sad. It also hurts us and makes a mess of God's good world.

- What are some things you do that displease God or break his commands?
- Do you ever tell God you are sorry?
- What does God promise to do for those who ask him to forgive them? (See 1 John 1:9)