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Spiritual Bondage

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Sin is “unwillingness to trust that what God wants for me is only my deepest happiness.”

- St. Ignatius

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in most situations. But it is impeded in some circumstances, so that its range of action is limited.”

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Sin v. Spiritual Bondage

In the case of sin, the will is *divided*.

In the case of bondage, the will is *constrained*.

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John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

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