

# Psalms 50:18

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him,  
and hast been partaker with adulterers.

## Analysis

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Evidence of wickedness: 'When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.' The wicked person's actions contradict the statutes they recite. Consenting with thieves and partnering with adulterers violate commandments eight and seven while the lips recite all ten.

## Historical Context

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These examples represent covenant violations that external religion cannot excuse. Sexual and property ethics remained central to Israel's covenant obedience as tests of genuine faith.

## Related Passages

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**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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1. How does tolerating sin in others implicate us?
2. What does 'consenting' with evil reveal about our true values?

## Interlinear Text

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H518	When thou sawest	a thief	then thou consentedst	H5973	H5973
	H7200	H1590	H7521		
מִן הַזֵּנִים	וְהָיָה	לְךָ חֵלֶק:			
with adulterers	with him and	hast been partaker			
H5003		H2506			

## Additional Cross-References

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**Romans 1:32** (Parallel theme): Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

**1 Timothy 5:22** (Parallel theme): Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

**Hebrews 13:4** (Parallel theme): Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.