9047 - Do sins have any effect on the family of the sinner?

the question

My parents say that if I commit sin it would have an affect on the entire family.

Lately they have been going through some hard times such as loosing money by theft and paying

penalties. Can it be because of me or the sins that I have commited in past?

It does not seem correct to me, if God for bid my mom or did commit a sin will all the children be

affected by it?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

No person will be punished for the sins of another. Each person will be brought to account for his

own sins. Allah says (interpretation of the meaning):

"And no bearer of burdens shall bear another's burden"[Faatir 35:18]

But if the father or mother commits a sin, this may be a cause of making the family members

follow their example.

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But the consequences of the sins committed by the sinner may go beyond him to affect his family,

as a punishment for him and a test for his family. Allah tests man with disasters in order to expiate

for his sins, and Allah may test people with blessings. Allah says (interpretation of the meaning):

"We shall make a trial of you with evil and with good" [al-Anbiya' 21:35]

Whatever the case, the Muslim must avoid sin so that he will not be subject to the wrath and anger of Allah. And Allah knows best.