What is a sin unto death?:

• *Is* it a certain type of sin, such as not beliving in Jesus, or does it have another appplication?

If any man see his brother sin a sin *which is* not unto death, <u>he shall ask</u>, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it, 1st John 5:16

I believe the key in this scripture is the phrase, "he shall ask."

We know that all sin will eventually lead unto death:

All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death, 1st John 5:17. For the wages of sin *is* death; . . . , Romans 6:23.

So, what does, "a sin not unto death," mean, if all sin(s) will lead to death?

We must first realize that, there is no sin that is too great that can not be confessed or prayed for that will be washed away and forgiven by the blood of Jesus Christ, This even applies to salvation, (once you confess Christ and believe that God raised Him from the dead), you shall be saved.

So, what does the scripture mean when it says,

"There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it."

I believe it is referring to the situation, either sinful or not, that goes unrequested.

Whatever our reasoning may be: Perhaps we see the issue or situation as unchangeable, just to big for God, for the world is telling me that this is perminate. Or we might not see the issue as beeing sinful, having therefore no reason to make a change. Or perhaps it is a destructive behavor that we refuse to give up and we certanity do not want any prayer for it..

Rather, it is all about you asking and being humble to recieve prayer, being willing to put all under the blood and receive from God.

Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not, James 4:2.

In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God, Philippians 4:6.

Conclusion:

What is the sin that leads to death? and why should we not pray with our brother or sister for it?

- It's the situation that goes unrequested and is not washed in the blood and forgiven.
- We need not pray one to one with our brother or sister for this certain situation for they mostlikely would resent us bringing up this matter and would not be receptive to recieve our prayer.

