

# Our Sins: Forgiven and Forgotten

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# Ephesians 1:3-10 NKJV

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth - in Him."

# **Spiritual Blessings in Christ**

He (God the Father) chose us in Him (Christ) before the foundation of the world, that we should be:

- Holy and without blame before Him (The Father) in Love (v4)
- He predestined us to adoption as sons by Christ Jesus to Himself (v5)
- To the praise of the glory of his grace, He made us accepted in the beloved (6)
- In Him we have redemption through His blood (v7)
- The forgiveness of sin, according to the riches of His grace (v7)

## Hebrews 10:1-4 NLT

"The old system under the law of Moses was only a shadow, a dim preview of the good things to come, not the good things themselves. The sacrifices under that system were repeated again and again, year after year, but they were never able to provide perfect cleansing for those who came to worship. If they could have provided perfect cleansing, the sacrifices would have stopped, for the worshipers would have been purified once for all time, and their feelings of guilt would have disappeared. But instead, those sacrifices actually reminded them of their sins year after year. For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins."

## II Corinthians 3:7-9 NKJV

"But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory."

#### Hebrews 10:10 NKJV

"By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ **once for all**."

#### Romans 6:10 NKJV

"For the death that He died, He died to sin **once for all**; but the life that He lives, He lives to God."

#### Hebrews 10:14 NKJV

"For by **one offering** He has perfected **forever** those who are being sanctified."

"Because Jesus is not up in Heaven dying over and over, we're not down here on earth being forgiven over and over."

- Andrew Farley



## Hebrews 9:25-28 NLT

"And he did not enter heaven to offer himself again and again, like the high priest here on earth who enters the Most Holy Place year after year with the blood of an animal. If that had been necessary, Christ would have had to die again and again, ever since the world began. But now, once for all time, he has appeared at the end of the age to remove sin by his own death as a sacrifice. And just as each person is destined to die once and after that comes judgment, so also Christ was offered once for all time as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again, not to deal with our sins, but to bring salvation to all who are eagerly waiting for him."

#### Colossians 2:16-17 NKJV

"So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ."

## Hebrews 10:1 NLT

"The old system under the law of Moses was only a shadow, a dim preview of the good things to come, not the good things themselves.

#### Colossians 3:13 NKJV

"...bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; **even as Christ forgave you**, so you also must do."

## Colossians 2:13-14 NKJV

"And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross."

# I John 1:9 NKJV

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

**Gnosticism** – *from* 'gnosis' (Greek)

Meaning: Knowledge

This group believed they possessed special superior, spiritual and esoteric knowledge (only to be understood by a small number of people with a specialised knowledge).

# I John 1:8 NKJV

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

#### I John 1:5-7 NKJV

"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."

#### I John 2:1-2 NKJV

"My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world."

#### Genesis 22:6-8 NKJV

"So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together. But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together."

#### Genesis 22:13-14 NKJV

"Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of the LORD it shall be provided.""

John 8:56 NKJV

"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad."

"We're told that God "forgave" us and that our sins "have been forgiven." To understand this better consider the question: How many of your sins were in the future when Christ died? All of them right? Yes. So God looked down the timeline of your sins — past, present, and future — and he took them all away at once. God made no distinction about the time of occurrence."

- Andrew Farley



#### Hebrews 10:14-18 NLT

"For by that one offering he forever made perfect those who are being made holy. And the Holy Spirit also testifies that this is so. For he says, "This is the new covenant I will make with my people on that day, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds." Then he says, "I will never again remember their sins and lawless deeds." And when sins have been forgiven, there is no need to offer any more sacrifices."

# Psalms 103:10-12 NLT

"He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west."



#### Micah 7:18-20 NLT

"Where is another God like you, who pardons the guilt of the remnant, overlooking the sins of his special people? You will not stay angry with your people forever, because you delight in showing unfailing love. Once again you will have compassion on us. You will trample our sins under your feet and throw them into the depths of the ocean! You will show us your faithfulness and unfailing love as you promised to our ancestors Abraham and Jacob long ago."



