





# THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

*Psalm 130*

# QUESTIONS TO ANSWER REGARDING FORGIVENESS

- Why do we need forgiveness of sins?
- How and when are sins forgiven?
- What does the Bible mean when it says sins are forgiven?
- What are the results of having sins forgiven?

# WHY DO WE NEED FORGIVENESS OF SINS?

- Man makes the choice to sin
  - Romans 3:9-18, 23 - All have sinned
  - Ezekiel 18:20 - All have made the choice to sin
    - Psalm 51 - David recognized HE committed sin

# WHY DO WE NEED FORGIVENESS OF SINS?

- Sin brings about death and a separation from God
  - **Romans 6:23** – Sin brings about death
  - **Isaiah 59:1-2** – Sin brings about a separation from God

# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Sins are forgiven because of the sacrifice of Jesus
  - **Acts 5:28-32** – Peter preached forgiveness of sins is through Jesus
  - **Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:14** – Through the blood of Jesus there is forgiveness of sins

# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Sins are forgiven because of the sacrifice of Jesus
  - Hebrews 10:3-18 – Jesus is the perfect sacrifice
    - 1 John 4:7-11 – Jesus is the propitiation
    - 1 Peter 1:18-19 – Redemption is through Him

# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Sins are forgiven because of the sacrifice of Jesus
  - Isaiah 53:4-6 – Jesus bore the penalty of sin
    - *Not saying He became sin, but the punishment of sin was laid upon Him*



# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Sins are forgiven when...
  - The alien sinner...
    - Believes (Mark 16:15-16), repents (Acts 2:38), confesses (Acts 8:37), and is baptized (Mark 16:15-16, Acts 2:38, Acts 8:26-39)

# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Sins are forgiven when...
  - The Christian who sins...
    - Repents (Acts 8:22), confesses (1 John 1:9), and prays for forgiveness (Acts 8:22)

# HOW AND WHEN ARE SINS FORGIVEN?

- Remember that...
  - Repentance – Repentance is a determination to get as far away from sin as possible and serve God
    - **2 Corinthians 7:10-11** – Repentance is not asking for forgiveness, it is changing our will

# WHAT DOES “SINS ARE FORGIVEN” MEAN?

- Sins are taken away, and no longer remembered
  - 1 John 1:9 – When sins are forgiven, we are cleansed of all unrighteousness
  - Psalm 51:7 – We become whiter than snow
  - Hebrews 10:16-18 – Sins will be remembered no more

# WHAT DOES “SINS ARE FORGIVEN” MEAN?

- Sins are taken away, and no longer remembered
  - **Ezekiel 18:21-22** – If the wicked turns (repentance), his transgressions will be remembered no more
  - **Psalms 103:9-12** – Our transgressions will be removed as far as the east is from the west

# WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF HAVING SINS FORGIVEN?

- We have assurance and are ready for the Judgment day
  - **Romans 4:4-8** – When sins are forgiven one is now counted as righteous
  - **2 Peter 3:14** – Being without spot and blameless we are looking forward to Jesus' return

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- We have assurance and are ready for the Judgment day
  - **2 Timothy 4:6-8** - Paul was confident and looking forward to his crown, because he knew his sins were forgiven

# THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

- Have your sins been forgiven?
  - *Alien Sinner*
    - Believes (Mark 16:15-16), repents (Acts 2:38), confesses (Acts 8:37), and be baptized (Mark 16:15-16, Acts 2:38, Acts 8:26-39)
  - *Christian*
    - Repents (Acts 8:22), confesses (1 John 1:9), and pray for forgiveness (Acts 8:22)