



# The Forgiveness of God

## INTERACTIVE OUTLINE

Thursday Evening

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Scripture Reading: 1 John 1.1-4

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### Introduction:

When people become Christians, God does not abandon them to their own strength. Forgiveness is not a one-time occurrence. It is an ongoing process in the Christian life. It is the atoning blood of Jesus that makes all of this possible.

### I. Facts in 1 John 1:1-5.

- A. 1:5 – God is totally separated from \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1:6 – Christians cannot claim a relationship with God when they pursue a \_\_\_\_\_ of sin. There is a difference:
  1. In living a life in constant \_\_\_\_\_ against God.
  2. Falling to temptation through ignorance and \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. 1:7 – Christians live as close to God as possible. *Includes:*
  1. living a life of \_\_\_\_\_ & holiness
  2. walking in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus
- C. 1:9 – Christians who confess with a sense of regret for committing the sin are promised \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. Confession implies \_\_\_\_\_ and a desire to \_\_\_\_\_ life.

### II. The importance of this text.

- A. Cleansed of sin because of God's \_\_\_\_\_ & forgiveness – not because we are \_\_\_\_\_!
- B. Assurance as long as we continue to \_\_\_\_\_ sin in our lives.

### III. Transforming our Spiritual Perspective:

- A. Too often, our perspective is that personal \_\_\_\_\_ brings a relationship with God.
- B. Many Christian lives are lived in \_\_\_\_\_ – not \_\_\_\_\_!
- C. Salvation boils down to performance ... not \_\_\_\_\_!
- D. Romans 8:1-8 – Christians have been delivered from sin.
  1. We respond by \_\_\_\_\_ to the Holy Spirit.
  2. We respond by no longer \_\_\_\_\_ against God.
- E. 8:16-17a – we can \_\_\_\_\_ we are children of God.
  1. 8:31-35 – the Christian who \_\_\_\_\_ to live in God's love cannot be ripped from God's love.
- F. 8:37-39 - At issue is our \_\_\_\_\_ in God's power.

### ANSWERS

Rebellion	Lifestyle
Evil	Weakness
Redirect	Purity
Regret	Faith
Doctrine	Resist
Perfect	Mercy
Faith	Know
Relationship	Fear
Performance	Chooses
Conforming	Rebelling
Forgiveness	

### MY NOTES