Series: Safe and Sound: Anchored in the Promises of God

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Scripture: Various Scriptures

Sermon: The Promise of God's Forgiveness

## Dig Deeper:

- 1. Do you ever feel that you don't need forgiveness? What does Scripture say to this?
- 2. What does it mean to repent? What are the elements that must be present in order to repent?
- 3. How do you know if you really believe the Gospel?
- 4. Have you ever felt that there were any sins that God would not forgive?
- 5. What is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit and how can you know if a person has committed it?
- 6. Do you know someone who is afraid they have committed blasphemy against the Holy Spirit? What advice can you give them based on this message?
- 7. How can refusing to forgive others be proof that you have rejected grace?
- 8. What is the fuel that should lead us to forgive others?
- 9. Even though your sins are forgiven, how do your sins continue to affect your relationship with God?
- 10. If we refuse to confess our ongoing sins, what affect will this have on our relationship with God?
- 11. What is the difference between our positional standing and our practical relationship with God?
- 12. Can we actually forgive ourselves? Rather than forgiving ourselves, what should we do?
- 13. What is the purpose of a guilty conscience? What might it look like when a guilty conscience goes wrong?

## Application:

- 14. Repent of any sins that you have not confessed.
- 15. Is there anyone in your life whom you have refused to forgive? Ask the Lord for the help to forgive that person.
- 16. Do you feel that the Lord hasn't forgiven you for something? Accept the Lord's forgiveness today.

## For further study:

17. Look up every Scripture that Pastor Mike mentioned in the message. Read the entire chapter for each of these passages. What does the context add to your understanding of forgiveness?

- 18. Research the Catholic doctrine of venial sins vs mortal sins. Do Catholics get this right based on the principles of today's message?
- 19. Read the chapter on forgiveness in Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem.