

OUR FATHER: WORDS YOU THOUGHT YOU KNEW

Everyday Forgiveness

5-17-20

Big idea: The Lord's prayer is not something that you just pray: it's a prayer that you actually live.

- Two of the greatest barriers in your life that keep you from experiencing genuine peace of mind are guilt and resentment.

Matthew 6:9-12 - "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, ¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² **Forgive us our debts**, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

Proverbs 28:13 - He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

Romans 8:1 - Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus...

1 John 1:8 - **If** we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ **If** we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

John 13:8-10 - "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." ⁹ "Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!" ¹⁰ Jesus answered, "A person who has had a bath needs only to wash his feet; his whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you."

- Jesus' act of foot washing was more than an example of humility; it was also a picture of the forgiveness God gives in His repeated cleansing of those who are already saved.

Nehemiah 9:17- But you are a forgiving God, gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love.

- _____ forgiveness implies confession.

1 John 1:9- "If we confess our sins. . .

- To confess means to _____, and when we confess our sins we agree with God about them that they are wicked, evil, and have no part in those who belong to Him.

Proverbs 28:13- He who conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will find compassion.

So what do I do?

1. I review every _____ of my life.

Psalms 139:23-24- Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

2. I _____ of every sin.

- Take responsibility
- Turn away from those things
- Turn toward God and His grace

1 John 1:8- If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

- You will stop defeating yourself when you stop deceiving yourself.

3. I receive God's _____.

Hebrews 4:15-16- For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet was without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive **mercy** and find **grace** to help us in our time of need.

- _____ is forgiveness for all the things you've done in the past.
- _____ is the power to change in the future.

Let me tell you how not to get God's forgiveness.

- You don't beg God.
- You don't bargain or bribe.
- You _____ believe.

1 John 1:8-9- If we say that we have not sinned, we are fooling ourselves, and the truth isn't in our hearts. ⁹ But if we confess our sins to God, he can always be trusted to forgive us and take our sins away. CEV

- _____ comes from two words in the Greek:

Homo means: The same

Logo means: The Word

Romans 5:1-2 - Therefore, since we have been justified [*that means acquitted, declared righteous*] through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access **by faith** into this grace in which we now stand.

Next Steps:

1. Commit your life to Christ.
2. Practice everyday forgiveness.
3. Plan on joining us next week online. (Everyday Release)
4. Download the "Beyond Sunday Devotion."