

GOD FORGIVES SIN WITHOUT DEMANDING A PAYMENT FOR SIN

God freely forgives sin without demanding a payment for sin. And God requires us to freely forgive others without demanding payment. God tells us to forgive as He has forgiven. "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:32

God does not change. God has no needs. God did not punish Jesus in our place in payment for our sin or to satisfy justice. Justice is satisfied by God changing the believer. Justice is satisfied by making the believer a new creation. In the final glorified condition, the believer is totally sinless and totally righteous.

Sinless Jesus was the sin offering, the sacrifice for sin so that He, the Second Adam, would have the right to remove all sin and death from creation. Romans 8:1-4 Sin is condemned to extermination.

God always freely forgives from His heart. What all persons need is release from bondage of sin in the human heart. The goal of the gospel is to lead people to faith in Jesus and new birth. Judicial forgiveness (ongoing release from bondage of sin) happens due to being born again into a new and personal relationship with Jesus. Judicial forgiveness results in ongoing sanctification and future glorification of the believer. It is freely given to all who cooperate and are born in Christ.

God's forgiveness has always been freely given. God is free to be loving, gracious, merciful, and forgiving. Provisional forgiveness has always been given freely to the whole world of humanity. God provides all sinner's opportunity to cooperate with Holy Spirit conviction. 2 Corinthians 5:19 God lets go of the wrongs we have committed against Him. God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself not counting our sins against us. God holds no one back from believing in Jesus and receiving eternal life in Christ.

Parental forgiveness has always been given freely to believers who confess their sin and seek God's righteousness in their life. In cooperation with the Holy Spirit, believers allow God to work sin out of our lives and work righteousness into our lives. 1 John 1:9 Philippians 2:12-13