

## **FORGIVENESS OF SIN MAY NOT BE WHAT YOU THOUGHT**

Jesus paid the cost for earning the right to take away your sin and for taking away all sin from creation including all judgments in heaven and earth. John 1:29;5:22 Revelation 5:1-14

Jesus is the successful Second Adam. He earns the right to undo what Adam caused when he sinned against God. Romans 5:10-19

Jesus died a sinless death by which sin is condemned for killing Him. 1 Peter 1:19 Rom. 8:3

Sin is condemned to removal from all creation.

Forgiveness of sin for the believer means that Jesus is in the process of taking away the believer's sin. 1 Peter 1:13-21

What forgiveness of sin does not mean:

Not that your sin is okay because you are human. Not that your sin is hidden.

Not that when you sin your sin will not hurt you.

Not that your sin is okay because Jesus paid for your sin.

Not that Jesus paid for your sin in your place. You still reap consequences for your sin in this life.

Not that Jesus paid the penalty for your sin. You still reap consequences (loss of reward) in eternity for your sin.

Not that Jesus was punished for your sin in your place. Sin has its own punishment and so sin has its own infliction of consequences and is self-induced. You still punish yourself when you sin.

God is doing everything necessary for taking away our sin and preparing us to live in His presence. It is the resurrected life of Jesus that enters our being and makes us a new creation fit for eternal life.

Romans 5:10 We are saved by His life.

Has God forgiven my sin? Yes.

God has let go of the wrongs I have done against Him (2 Corinthians 5:19). God is rescuing me from bondage to sin. God promises to complete the work of rescue and make me totally sinless and totally righteous in glory. Acts 3:19 1 John 1:9 Philippians 1:6

