

**Forgiveness
Under the
Dispensation
of Grace (pt 3)**

Scripture Reading:

John 13:4-10

INTRODUCTION

- ◆ Under the Dispensation of Law, sin was covered by the offering of the blood of animals until Christ shed His blood – one time- to make the complete and satisfactory substitutionary payment for all sin.

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- ◆ **Now, since Christ's completed sacrifice for sin, sin is forgiven by God when an individual**
 - ◆ **Believes this Good News of Christ's payment for his sins, and**
 - ◆ **Is placed into the risen and ascended Christ at God's right hand in the 3rd Heaven.**

INTRODUCTION

- ◆ **As the Father now looks at His Son, He sees the grace-believer having all his sin nature and therefore, all acts of sin that came from that offensive nature, FORGIVEN (literally “sent away”)**
 - ◆ **Eph 2:1** – we were dead in trespasses and sins
 - ◆ **Eph 1:7** – Now in Christ, we have the forgiveness of trespasses (offences)
 - ◆ **Col 1:4** – In Christ we have the forgiveness of (the) sins
 - ◆ Distributive plural = the sin nature of each one

Two Illustrations of Our Forgiveness in Christ

◇ As a circumcision

◇ Three kinds of circumcision:

◇ **Physical** – given to Israel

◇ **Heart** – mind, will, and emotions (Deut 30:6)

◇ **Positional** – In Christ (Col 2:11-13)

◇ the believer has been separated (cut off) from his sin nature, which is in his body here on Earth

◇ As a “washing” - Jn 13:10-11

The Result of this Forgiveness In Christ:

No Condemnation

- ◇ Meaning of condemnation: the result (verdict) of judgment - “guilty as charged”
- ◇ All mankind is condemned in Adam’s offense and sin
 - ◇ Rom 5:12,16, cf Rom 3:10, 23; 6:23
- ◇ The content of man’s condemnation: eternal separation from God and torment
 - ◇ Lk 16:23-24

The Result of this Forgiveness In Christ: No Condemnation (continued)

- ◇ Jesus spoke of this condemnation and escape from it
 - ◇ **Jn 3:18, Jn 5:24**
- ◇ In Christ there is no condemnation because He paid our verdict of judgment by dying in our place on the cross
 - ◇ **Rom 8:13**



CONCLUSION

- ◆ In our position in Christ, two of our many blessings are:
 - ◆ That we are forgiven all aspects of sin
 - ◆ i.e., our sin nature and all actions from that nature
 - ◆ This forgiveness in Christ results in **NO CONDEMNATION** in Christ