

As a Christian we have the awesome privilege to come before God and ask forgiveness of our sin and be cleansed of our unrighteousness instantly. Jesus bore each of our sins on the Cross and he is faithful to forgive when we confess our sins. God will also bring healing of our sin and replace it with a will to do good works. We should also extend the same forgiveness to others when we are forgiven of our sins by God.

- Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 1 Peter 2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.
- Col 2:13-14 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.
- Titus 2:14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.
- Eph 4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.
- John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!
- Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.
- Isaiah 1:18 “Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the LORD, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.
- 1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- Matt 6:14-15 “For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Discussion Item 1: *Have you confessed your sins to God and do you feel forgiven?*

Discussion Item 2: *Do you forgive others with the same assurance that God forgives you?*

Life Application: *Confess your sins immediately to God rather than allow the sin to entangle your walk with Him.*

Helpful Definition:

life- The union of the soul and body; also, the duration of their union; sometimes, the deathless quality or existence of the soul; as, man is a creature having an immortal life. (Webster)

Notes:

Proverb 20:9 Who can say, "I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin"?

Psalm 25:11 For Your name's sake, O LORD, Pardon my iniquity, for it is great. **Psalm 79:9** Help us, O God of our salvation, For the glory of Your name; And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, For Your name's sake!