

Day 13 - Forgiven

30 Days of Repentance + Heart Preparation | Scripture Study

Colossians 2:13-14 (NIV reference)

God made us alive with Christ when we were dead in our sins. He forgave our sins and canceled the charge of indebtedness standing against us, taking it away through the cross.

Ephesians 1:7-8 (NIV reference)

In Christ we have redemption through His blood and forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of God's grace, lavished upon us.

Isaiah 1:16-18 (NIV reference)

God calls His people to stop doing wrong, learn to do right, seek justice, defend the oppressed, and care for the vulnerable. He invites them to receive cleansing: sins once scarlet can be made white as snow.

Psalms 130:1-4 (NIV reference)

The psalmist cries to the Lord for mercy from the depths. If God kept a record of sins, no one could stand. Yet with Him there is forgiveness, leading us to reverent worship.

The Connecting Thread

Forgiveness is not something we manufacture through our efforts. It is something God makes available through His mercy and grace.

Colossians describes a canceled debt. Ephesians describes grace lavished upon us. Isaiah describes cleansing and the call to a changed life. Psalm 130 reminds us that forgiveness leads to reverence. Together, these passages show forgiveness not merely as the removal of guilt, but as part of restoring our relationship with God.

Reflection

What would change if I treated forgiveness as something to receive, not something to earn?

Scripture references: New International Version (NIV). Passage descriptions are original summaries, not verbatim Bible quotations.