



**“And He remembers your sins no more...”**

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*“He has removed our sin as far as the east is from the west” Psalm 103:12*

*“I am He who blots away your sins...and I will never think of them again” Isaiah 43:25*

Our small team, New Song, ministers on rotation at a shelter for the homeless in the greater Atlanta area. In our time there we have discovered a common theme - the homeless are often estranged from their loved ones. The family of origin harbors unresolved judgments – often from decades ago. Although I do not share in the condition of homelessness, I can empathize with the pain of disconnection.

Today I said “no” – I set limits on imposed shame. It has taken a half-century. I wasn’t raised with the awareness that I could set a limit – some forms of disrespect were (sadly) normal. The strength came from embracing the truths of who I am in Christ Jesus – I mean, really taking in these truths as my own:

- I am the King’s daughter, clothed in white.
- I have His favor and covering.
- The King of Kings looks upon me with love and remembers my sins no more.
- He has covered me with His shed blood – I am clothed with Christ.

To be held by judge and jury on the court of human approval – sins rehearsed, often from one’s youth– is not the will of the Father for his beloved child as the bride of Christ.

My friend, all of us have sinned – we have all fallen short (Romans 3:23). This is the reason Jesus came and died – to give us new life – a personal relationship with Him. By confessing your sins and receiving Jesus in faith, He offers you the Holy Spirit and clothes you with His righteousness (1 John 1:9). The evil one works through people – even family or friends! – to pull you down into an entangled web of despair so you are not living the free and victorious life He intends.

Jesus is always safe. Jesus remembers your sins no more. When He looks at you He sees His own righteousness – through faith in Him you are covered with the shed blood of the Lamb of God. The ultimate strength to live the victorious Christian life comes from knowing who you are in Christ Jesus.

Prayer:

Lord, I have felt discouraged by silence, disconnection, judgment and/or lies held by others. Please set me free from the evil one’s snare. Help me to live as Christ through the gift of the Holy Spirit and the truth in your Word. I receive the gift of your Son and ask you to send the indwelling Holy Spirit to provide comfort and heal these broken places. Please give me the mind of Christ. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.