How Does God Forgive Sins?

Forgiveness:

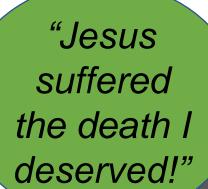


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THE CROSS OVER SIN TO FORGIVENESS

"The wages of sin is death..."

"Your sins have made a separation [death] between you and your God." (Isaiah 59:2)

"The second death is in the lake of fire." (Revelation 21:8)

- 1. Other gods
- 2. Blasphemy
- 3. Idols
- 4. No rest in God
- 5. Dishonoring parents
- 6. Murder, hate
- 7. Sexual immorality
- 8. Stealing
- 9. Lying
- 10. Coveting

"...but, the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

"Each one of you must turn away from your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven; and you will receive God's gift, the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38, GNT)

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2) release the offender from punishment;

3) without retaliation, bitterness, or anger.

Romans 6:23

"The <u>wages of sin is death</u>" - Forgiveness petitions God's forgiving nature to come to earth and suffer our consequences, our death, for us.

"but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus" - Only the person against whom we have sinned can forgive us. We sinned against God and His law. "Jesus is one [same essence] with God the Father" (John 10:30). Forgiveness is "in Jesus" alone.

"<u>our Lord</u>." - Jesus conquered death! *"He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west."* (Psalm 103:12, NLT) He becomes our Lord, Master, and Savior when we, by grace through faith, turn to Him and away from our sins.

THE CROSS OVER TO FORGIVENESS

- **All** have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. While we were still sinners Christ died for us. (Romans 3:23, 5:8)
- Believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. (Romans 10:9)
- **C**onfess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord. (Romans 10:9-10)
- Decide to be baptized into Christ. (Romans 6:1-4) Contact your local church.

KNOW

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. (Romans 10:13)

For, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God

through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:1) God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not

perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)



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