

# THE KINGDOM LAW OF FORGIVENESS

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1st John 1:8-9

Forgiveness is a concept that is not foreign too many people. However, it is greatly misunderstood by an abundance of people. Forgiveness is an **ESSENTIAL** component to living a righteous life in the Kingdom of God.

**FORGIVENESS IS NEEDED BECAUSE  
SIN IS INEVITABLE!**

Sin makes forgiveness necessary. We have all sinned and no one is capable of living a sinless life. This is why asking for forgiveness and giving forgiveness when someone wrongs you is absolutely necessary.

Forgiveness should be a consistent practice to **ENSURE** that you are cleansed of unrighteousness.

## FORGIVENESS PURIFIES UNRIGHTEOUSNESS!

1st John 1:8-9 says, *"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."*

When you wake up in the morning and go about your day doing your normal activities do you ask God to forgive you of your sins on a **DAILY** basis? Do you confess your sins to God **DAILY**?

Very few people do this. However, the vast majority do not. Violating the Kingdom law of Forgiveness puts your soul at **RISK** for eternal damnation. 1st John 1:8-9 starts off by saying **"IF,"** implying a condition. Sin makes us unrighteous in the eyes of God.

It is an inevitable guarantee that you will sin against the Lord **EVERYDAY** you waken. Whether you have done so knowingly or unknowingly. People violate God's laws all the time, every day. Most of the violations and transgressions comes through the vehicle of ignorance.

Whether you doubt God, cuss, lie, worry, gossip, boast, brag, steal, cheat, etc. More than likely, you are going to violate God's Kingdom laws. This is why you **HAVE** to seek God's forgiveness on a daily basis. As a flawed human being, you are **NOT** above sinning.

When people sin against the Lord and His word they become unrighteous. If a person does not ask for forgiveness they **REMAIN** unrighteous. If a person dies in their sin they lose their soul and go to hell.

**GOD CANNOT TAKE YOU TO HEAVEN IF  
YOU DIE IN SIN!**

Not asking God's forgiveness and confessing your sins puts you in danger of losing your soul if you die in that current state. Remember the scripture in 1st John 1:8-9. Forgiveness **CLEANSSES** us from unrighteousness.

How can you see God if you are unrighteous? You can't!  
How can you go to heaven if you are unrighteous? You can't!  
How can you receive the goodness in the Kingdom of God if you are unrighteous according to Mathew 6:33? You can't!

Hebrews 12:14 says, *"Try to live in peace with all people, and try to live free from sin. Anyone whose life is not holy will never see the Lord."*

Forgiveness **RESTORES HOLINESS**. When King Jesus died on the cross for our sins He gave us the opportunity to be holy by taking on the punishment that we deserve. The opportunity to be **RESTORED** after you fall from grace enables us to be stay holy before the Lord so we can inherit the Kingdom of Heaven.

Proverbs 24:16 says, "*For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: But the wicked shall fall into mischief.*"

" Righteous people **WILL** sin but they will be restored because they **CONTINUE** to confess their sins and receive forgiveness from God.

Forgiveness is not a casual concept. It is a **SERIOUS** matter because it can influence where you spend your eternal destination. It is imperative that you confess and ask God to forgive you of your sins **DAILY AND OFTEN** so you can stay cleansed and holy before the Lord.

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