

# God our Pardoner!

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## Questions that Need Answered

1. If God has forgiven my sin in the past, present, and future, then why do I need to confess my sin to Him and ask for forgiveness?
  - a. Answer 1: Because we still **sin**.
  - b. Answer #2: Because our present **sin** affects our present **walk** with God.
  - c. Answer #3: Because daily confession makes us **sensitive** to our own sin.
  - d. Answer #4: Because daily confession of sin keeps us **humble** before God.
2. Why is there a connection between our willingness to forgive others and God's forgiveness of our own sin?
  - a. Answer #1: An unforgiving person demonstrates a **blindness** towards their own sin debt that was put on the Savior.
  - b. Answer #2: A heart of unforgiveness is sure indicator of an **unrepentant** heart.
3. How does this part of the Lord's Prayer help me?
  - a. It orients our heart toward God's amazing **mercy**!
  - b. It orients our heart toward becoming a **mercy** filled person!

## Questions

1. What are some of the benefits of daily confession for a believer?
2. Why do you think it is important to confess specific sin rather than sin in general?
3. What is your initial reaction to Jesus' teaching on forgiveness?
4. How can this prayer help you become a more forgiving person?
5. What was your biggest take-a-way from the message this morning?

## Next Steps: April Reading Plan (Week 1)

**Day One:** 2 Kings 17-18

**Day Two:** 2 Kings 19-20

**Day Three:** 2 Kings 22-23

**Day Four:** Jer. 1-3:5

**Day Five:** Jer. 25; 29

## Forgive as We Forgive

### Prayer Challenge:

- Spend time confessing specific sinful thoughts, attitudes, and/or actions.
- Spend a moment thanking God for His amazing mercy He has shown you in Christ.
- Ask God to help you become a more mercy-filled person in your interactions with others.

## May Scripture Memory:

**2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. 3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison - 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak. 5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.**

**-Col. 4:2-6 (ESV)**

**What was your big take-a-way from the message this morning?**