

Sermon Application Study

December 3, 2023

Target Passage → Colossians 2:13-14

1. What does it mean to be dead in your trespasses? What is the “uncircumcision of your flesh” according to the wider context of 2:8-15?
2. How does God’s act of forgiveness address our problem?
3. What does God do with our debt? What are the legal demands of our debt and how are they met?
4. How comprehensive is God’s forgiveness? Does it cover every type of sin? Future sins?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Colossians 2:8-15 (wider context), John 19:12-22

For Me →

Do you ever struggle with the idea that God’s forgiveness covers all your sins? Do you ever feel as though there must be some sin for which God won’t forgive you? How do you address this biblically?

For the Mission →

One of the more popular views against Jesus’ sacrifice for our sin debt (substitutionary atonement) is that it is barbaric to think that God would require a punishment to forgive sin. Usually, it is argued that good people don’t require punishment, but offer forgiveness freely. Do we forgive better than God? How would you respond?

PRAYER FOCUS

Thank the Lord for his gracious forgiveness of our sin debt through the sacrifice of Christ on our behalf. Please pray for those you will bring to see *Forgiven* this Christmas.