

GONE!

My Sin • My Sorrow • My Shame

Forgiving Myself



Gone - Episode Two

“Forgiving Myself”

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Ezekiel 33:16a “None of their past sins will be brought up again...”

The Example of Peter: Matthew 26:75 “Suddenly, Jesus’ words flashed through Peter’s mind: ‘Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.’ And he went away, crying bitterly.”

To Forgive Myself Requires:

1. **Coming to God for** _____.

Mark 16:6-7a “You are looking for Jesus, the Nazarene, who was crucified. He isn’t here! He has been raised from the dead...Look, this is where they laid his body. Now go and give this message to his disciples, including Peter.”

Five Ways God Forgives Us:

- God forgives us _____
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2. **Changing my** _____.

Acts 4:13 “The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men who had had no special training. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus.”

Memory Verse for this week:

“There is no condemnation for those who live in union with Christ Jesus.” Romans 8:1

Study Questions:

1. Have you ever made a decision that you thought was the right one, only to find out later on that you had made the wrong decision? Did you blame yourself?
2. List the top three mistakes you have made in your life. How do you feel about yourself when you think about these mistakes? Do you feel guilty? Do you feel shame? Have you forgiven yourself?
3. Peter betrayed the Lord Jesus, yet he was able to overcome his past and become one of Christ's most devoted followers. What do you think made the biggest impact on Peter in helping him to overcome his failure?
4. Read Colossians 2:13-14 “He has forgiven all of your sins. He has utterly wiped out the evidence of broken commandments which always hung over our heads and has completely annulled it by nailing it to the cross.” Write these verses in your own words and insert your name in place of the words ‘your’ and ‘our’. What do these verses mean to you?
5. God has a purpose for your past! He can even use your mistakes to elevate his power in your life. Paul was a persecutor of Christ who later became an apostle. He said in 2 Corinthians 12:9, “[God] said, ‘My gracious favor is all you need. My power works best in your weakness.’ So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may work through me.” Ask God to use your past to elevate his glory in your life today!

Pray this prayer today:

Dear Lord, Thank you for your grace and mercy! Your word says that you have wiped away all my sins and removed the penalty from me. I align myself with your word today. I forgive myself for every mistake, every sin, and every shameful act I have ever committed. Please use my mistakes to elevate your glory in my life. I renounce all condemnation today, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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