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# Can GOD Fix This?

## Guilt: If You Only Knew

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# 1. Two Fundamental Forgiveness Problems

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A. We confuse our inability to forgive with God's ability to forgive.



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B. We may not feel forgiven  
because we don't feel good  
enough to be forgiven.

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- Unfinished business
- Inability to bring closure
- Consequential reminders
- “If you only knew” stories

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# Matthew 12:31

And so I tell you, *every kind of sin and slander can be forgiven*, but blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.

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## Psalm 32:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

<sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

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<sup>3</sup> When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

<sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

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<sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"-- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

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## 2. Our God is Rich in Mercy!

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# Micah 7:18-19

<sup>18</sup> Who is a God like you, who \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the transgression of  
the remnant of his inheritance? You \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ forever but \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.



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## Micah 7:18-19

18 Who is a God like you, who pardons  
sin and forgives the transgression of  
the remnant of his inheritance? You \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ forever but \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

# Micah 7:18-19

<sup>18</sup> Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.

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19 You will again have \_\_\_\_\_ on  
us; you will \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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19 You will again have compassion on  
us; you will \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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19 You will again have compassion on  
us; you will tread our sins underfoot  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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19 You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

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A. God forgives, not because we are good enough, but because He is good enough.

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## Romans 3:23-24

<sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.



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# 1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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B. God says, "What you can't  
forget, I can't remember."

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D. God says, "let's walk into a new future together."

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## Acts 2:37-38

37 ... "Brothers, what shall we do?"

38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the

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forgiveness of your sins. And you will  
receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

## 2 Corinthians 7:10-11

<sup>10</sup> Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

<sup>11</sup> See what this godly sorrow has

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produced in you: what earnestness,  
what eagerness to clear yourselves,  
what indignation, what alarm, what  
longing, what concern, what readiness  
to see justice done.



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At every point you have proved  
yourselves to be innocent in this  
matter.

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# Matthew 11:28-30

<sup>28</sup> "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and

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humble in heart, and you will find rest  
for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy  
and my burden is light."