

**CHRIST
IS ENOUGH**

Our secure position in Christ

Romans 8:1, 29-30

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,... For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. 30 And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.”

Romans 8:31-34

“What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? 33 Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. 34 Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.”

Romans 8:35-39

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? 36 As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” 37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Question

Q. If Christ's sacrifice wipes out for the believer the guilt of all sins past, present, and future, why should we confess our sins and ask for forgiveness?

II Corinthians 6:9-11

“Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And that is what some of you were. *But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified* in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

II Corinthians 7:1

“Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, ***let us purify ourselves*** from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.”

I John 1:5-9

- 5.** This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.
- 6.** If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth.
- 7.** But if we **walk** in the light, as he is in the light, we have **fellowship** with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, **cleanses/purifies** us from all sin.
- 8.** If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- 9.** If we **confess** our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Fellowship and Confession

1. **Walk** – (peripatōmen)
2. **Fellowship** – (koinōnian)
3. **Cleanses** – (katharizei)
4. **Confession** – (homologōmen)

Sin - ἁμαρτία (*hamartia*) – (From a feminine noun derived from /A - "not" and /méros - "a part, share of" – properly, *no-share* "no part of.")

* Missing the mark.

God as Judge

God as Father

We must distinguish between the judicial basis for the forgiveness of sins in the once-for-all work of Christ and the continuing appropriation of the benefits of that sacrifice through repeated confession of sins.

Q. Should we repent every day?

Warning & Promise

Proverbs 28:13

"Whoever **conceals (or covers)** their sins does not prosper, but the one who **confesses and renounces** them finds mercy."
