

Introduction

- I. We consider the doctrine of forgiveness so that we believe it.
- II. Forgiveness is one of the greatest spiritual gifts that God gives us.

God's Gift of Forgiveness

I. The Gracious Gift

- A. This gracious gift is God's promise that He will not punish us for our sins or see us in our sin (Is. 38:17; Ps. 103:10, 12).

- B. This promise of God is a gracious gift, as we read in Eph. 1:7.

II. The Needed Confession

- A. The way God makes this promise to us is through the confession of our sin (Psalm 32).

- B. God calls us to confess our sins! This is a part of true repentance, which includes 2 things:

III. The Changed Life

- A. Those who know they are forgiven much will deal mercifully with those who sin against them.

- B. Those who know forgiveness live to express their thanks to God.