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Hopeful Hearts

— MINISTRY SUNDAY —



A Message

FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Friends,

Welcome to the very first edition of *Hopeful Hearts Ministry Sunday*! I'm so thankful that you're here and taking this journey of faith with us. This new weekly publication has been prayerfully created to bring encouragement, hope, and a moment of peace to your week.

Each edition will include a Bible lesson, a weekly prayer, and a small practical reflection to help you grow closer to God in everyday life. Our goal is simple to remind you that no matter where you are or what you face, God's love never stops reaching for you.

This week's lesson focuses on one of the most powerful truths in Scripture *God forgives*. His mercy is deeper than our mistakes, and His grace gives us a fresh start every day. I pray that as you read, reflect, and take part in the weekly practices, you'll feel His peace filling your heart.

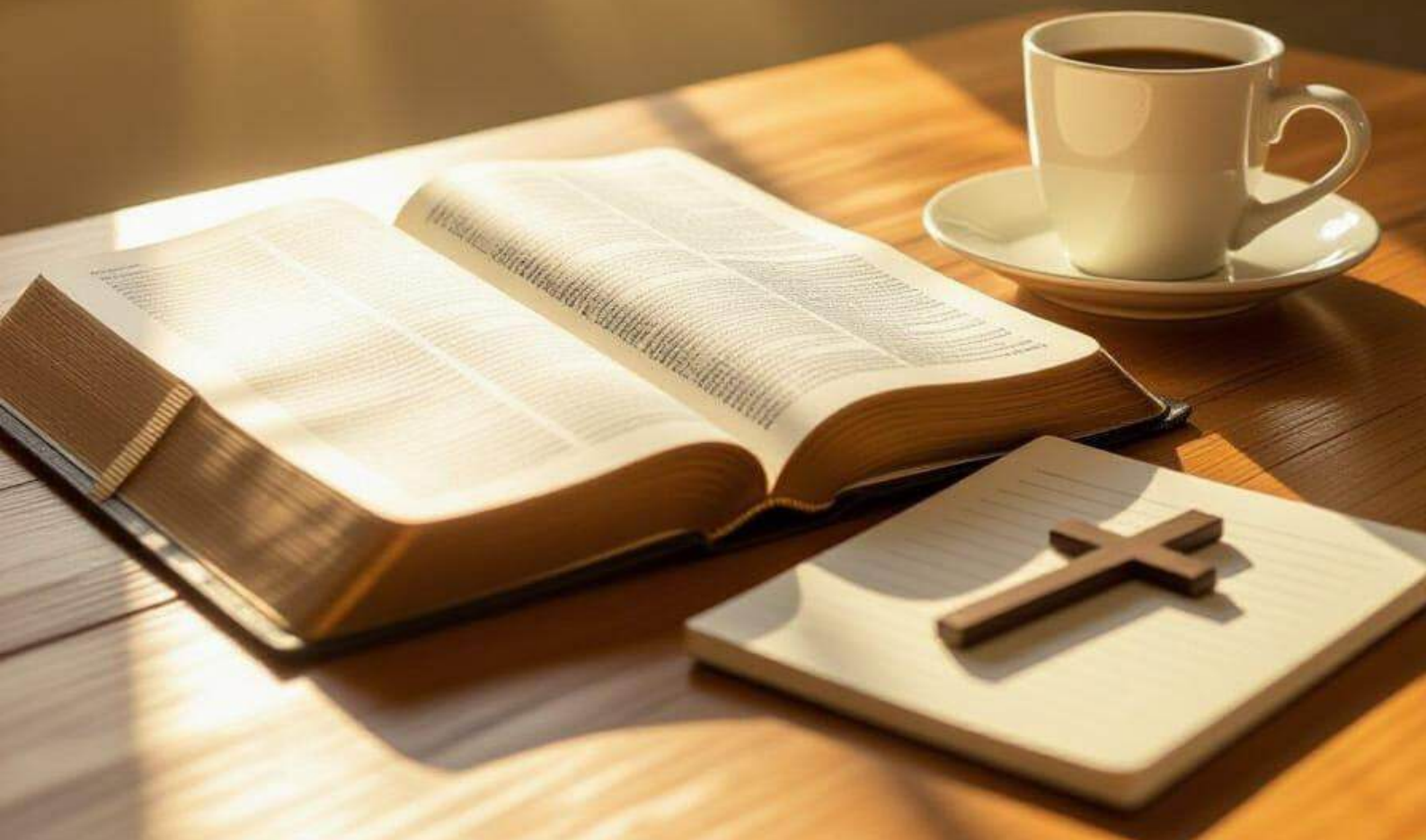
If this edition blesses you, I encourage you to share it with someone who could use a little hope today. Together, let's let God's love shine through *Hopeful Hearts Ministry Sunday*.

With love and blessings,
Pastor Dan
Hopeful Hearts Ministry



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Bible Lesson *of the* Week



God Forgive

1 John 1:9 is a beautiful promise of God's mercy and faithfulness. It reminds us that forgiveness is always available to those who come to God with a humble and honest heart.

Confession. The first step is acknowledging our sins. Confession is not about condemnation but about honesty before a loving God. When we admit our mistakes, we open the door for healing and restoration.

Faithfulness and Justice. God is both faithful and just. His faithfulness means He will always forgive those who come to Him. His justice ensures that forgiveness is real and complete, not partial or temporary.

Cleansing. God does more than just forgive. He cleanses us from all unrighteousness. This cleansing restores our spiritual health and allows us to walk in freedom, unburdened by guilt or shame.

This verse also reminds us of the transformative power of God's grace. When we experience His forgiveness, we are called to reflect that same mercy to others. Forgiveness is not only received; it is meant to flow through us, shaping our relationships and our hearts.

This Week's PRAYER





**Heavenly Father,
thank You for Your mercy that never runs out and Your grace that never gives up.
Even when I fall short, You are faithful to forgive and lift me up again.**

**Lord, help me to truly believe that I am forgiven not because of what I've done, but
because of what Jesus did for me on the cross.
Wash away the guilt and shame that tries to cling to my heart.
Teach me to live in the freedom of Your grace each day.**

**And, Father, help me to extend that same forgiveness to others.
When I am hurt or wronged, remind me of the mercy You've shown me.
Let my heart be soft, my words gentle, and my spirit full of compassion.**

**Thank You that Your love restores and renews.
Thank You that forgiveness opens the door to peace.
I rest today in the promise of Your unfailing love
for You are the God who forgives.**

**In Jesus name
Amen.**

Bible Quiz

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1. According to 1 John 1:9, what does God do when we confess our sins?

- A) He ignores them
- B) He forgives and cleanses us
- C) He keeps a record of them
- D) He forgets us

Answer (B) He forgives and cleanses us

2. What did Jesus say while He was on the cross in Luke 23:34?

- A) Why have You forsaken Me?
- B) It is finished.
- C) Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.
- D) Into Your hands I commit My spirit.

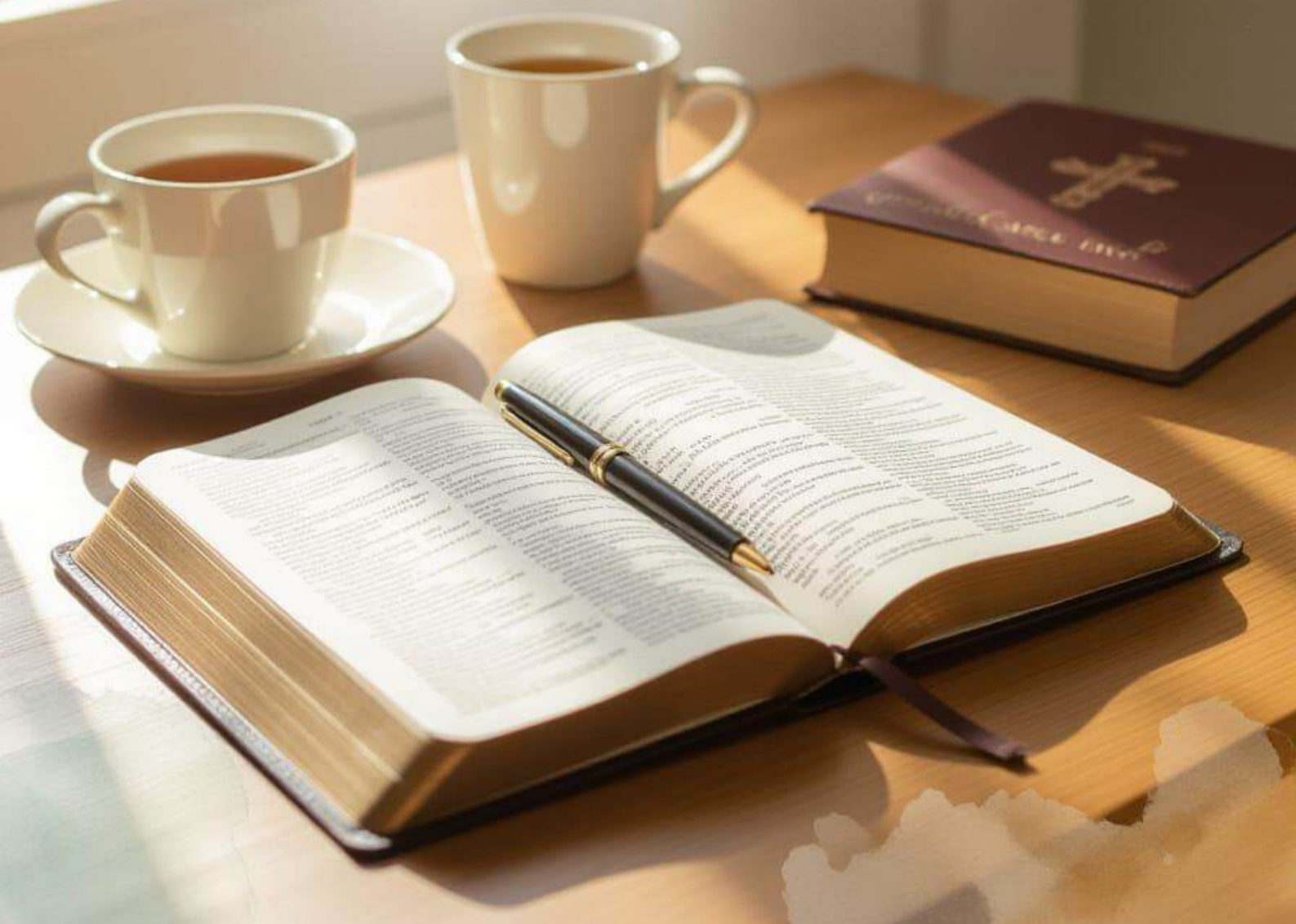
Answer (C) Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do

3. What happens to our sins when we accept Jesus' forgiveness?

- A) They are erased and forgotten
- B) They are hidden temporarily
- C) They still count against us
- D) They must be paid for again

Answer (A) They are erased and forgotten

My Practice *for This Week*





This week, our practice is about living in the freedom of God's forgiveness both receiving it for ourselves and extending it to others.

1 Receive God's Forgiveness.

Take a few quiet moments each day to confess anything weighing on your heart. Thank God for forgiving you completely through Jesus. Remind yourself: your past mistakes do not define you.

2 Forgive Someone Else.

Think of one person you may be holding a grudge against. Pray for the strength to release them into God's hands. You don't have to forget the hurt, but you can choose peace over bitterness.

3 Forgive Yourself.

Remember, God forgives you fully. Let go of guilt and shame. Speak words of grace over your own heart I am forgiven, and I am free in Christ.

4 Act in Love.

Look for opportunities this week to show mercy, kindness, or patience to someone small acts reflect God's forgiveness to the world around you.