



The Clause That Makes It All Happen

Hebrews 8:12 - *12For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more.*"

Words of Ministry

Forgiveness may seem like a relatively simple thing, but it is one of the most powerful truths in the Bible. To truly know and experience God's forgiveness is a life-altering, soul-freeing, spirit empowering thing. When God forgives us, He also completely forgets our past. *"Their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."* If God will not bring to His memory any of our sins and lawless deeds, why then do we entertain so much negative memory about what God has chosen to forget?

It has been two thousand years since the cross of Calvary and yet many Christians are still living under the Old Covenant and have not come into the revelation of New Testament grace. It is very important that we have a clear and full view of what grace is and the resulting condition it places us in under the New Covenant. God is no longer out to judge man for sins (2 Cor 5:19), for He has already judged them in His Son (5:21).

Beloved, you are no longer under the Old Covenant. The sad routine of breaking God's laws and experiencing resulting punishment is over for the Christian. God has given you a new way of life based on Christ and not upon your good works. You are now under the New Covenant and in this new relationship, God says that He will do three things for you:

First, God says that He will lead you by putting His very laws within your inner being so that you will not need external laws to tell what to do or what not to do — *"I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts"* (Hebrews 8:10). These are the laws of faith, love and liberty to guide you in everything you do. It is a spontaneous, dynamic, active and intimate way that God leads those who are joined to Him. It is a powerful promise that allows us

freedom to relate to a God who is inside us and not have to relate to external religious conscience. Our very heart becomes God's "place of operations"! His commandments become, not some externalized order of rules to follow, but the very commandments of our own heart that we want to follow.

Second, God says He will work miracles for us. This promise is the implied meaning of the covenant expression, *"I will be their God, and they shall be My people"* (Hebrews 8:10). The phrase *"I will be their God"* denotes a miracle-working God who keeps His promises. So if you are sick and God says, "I will be your God," get ready for healing! If you are lonely and God says, "I will be your God," get ready for Companionship! If you are weak and God says, "I will be your God," get ready for Strength! He promises to be everything we need, when we need it!

Third, God says He will cause us to know Him effortlessly — *"... all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them"* (Hebrews 8:11). The Greek word for "know" here is 'eido' and it means to know intuitively without effort. This means that you will know God easily, inwardly and clearly.

These are the three blessings of the New Covenant. But do you know what the cause of you experiencing these things is? Do you know what the foundation of receiving them is? It is not in anything you or I do, but on something God does. The clause that makes it all happen is this: *"For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more"* (Hebrews 8:12). The words *"no more"* in the Greek carry a strong double-negative sense. So God is literally saying, "I will never, by no means, remember your sins!"

Beloved, the more you believe this in your heart, the more you will see those three blessings of the New Covenant fulfilled in your life. When you realize how much God has forgiven you and how He remembers your sins no more, you will know Him, His ways and His will for you intimately and intuitively without effort.

So believe in your heart today the clause on which all these blessings hinge, and get ready for miracles and hopes fulfilled in the days ahead! You are forgiven! God does not call to mind your lawless deeds. And because of this you can believe for God to move into you will the full force of His New Covenant blessings!