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## Psalms 86:5 NLT

"O Lord, you are so good, so ready to forgive, so full of unfailing love for all who ask for your help."

## Recap

W1: Bondage Undone

W2: Judgment Undone

W3: Sin Undone

## THE SITUATION AND PROCESS

- We are all utterly helpless and in bondage to sin. *Romans 5:6; Romans 7:14*
- We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. *Romans 3:23-24*
- We are made aware of our sin by the law. *Romans 3:19-20*
- The penalty of sin is death. *Romans 6:23*
- All who believe in Christ, declare him as Lord, and walk in repentance will be saved. *Romans 10:9-10*
- Jesus becomes our substitute - he who knew no sin became sin for us—the great exchange. *Romans 5:21*
- Those who believe have been declared righteous. *Romans 4:22-25*
- *Colossians 1:21-23*

## SIN UNDONE

We are being changed into the image of Christ.

- *2 Corinthians 3:16-18*
- Sanctification / regeneration
- Being transformed by the renewing of our minds. *Romans 12:2*
- We become more and more like Christ
- *Titus 2:11-12 NIV*

Believers don't practice sin.

- Those who have been born into God's family do not make a practice of sinning because God's life is in them. So they can't keep on sinning because they are children of God. *1 John 3:9 NLT*

We put on Christ. *Galatians 3:27*

- Fruits of the spirit - *Galatians 5:22-23*

We still have struggles and battles.

- *Galatians 5:16-17*
- The Spirit is at war with the flesh
- They want the opposite things so we struggle to live it out.

*Romans 7:14-17*- So the trouble is not with the law, for it is spiritual and good. The trouble is with me, for I am all too human, a slave to sin. <sup>15</sup>I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. <sup>16</sup>But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it. <sup>18</sup>And I know that nothing good lives in me,

- Nothing can separate us from God's love. *Romans 8:31-38*
- There is no condemnation in Christ. *Romans 8:1*

#### God disciplines those he loves.

- *Hebrews 12:6*
- He disciplines by his grace, for our good.

#### God Reveals, Softens, and Changes

- Paul asks, "Are you tender and compassionate?" *Philippians 2:1*
- *1 Timothy 1:15-17*
- *1 John 5:3*
- The battle within you is evidence of the Spirit within you.
- Don't listen to the enemy there.

### **NEXT STEPS**

- We need people.
- We've got to share vulnerably.
- Know God's voice.
- Be transformed by His word and our thinking.
- Preach the gospel to yourself every day.
- Call out to Jesus.

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. What stood out in this week's message?
2. What is our part in letting God change us into His image?
3. Read Galatians 5:16-17 & Romans 7:14-18:
  - Have you ever struggled with wrestling against your flesh as you walk with Christ?
  - What does it look like to depend, trust, and follow the Lord in the struggle?
4. Read 1 Timothy 1:15-17:
  - What stands out to you in this passage, and what is this verse teaching?
5. Read 1 John 3:9:
  - Why is it important to know the difference between practicing sin and struggling and wrestling against it?
6. Read Colossians 1:21-23.
  - Do you live your life like you have been declared righteous for all who believe?
7. Prayer Requests

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