**Sunday, 14 March 2021**

**God Forgives**

One of the most important truths every believer needs to know is, GOD FORGIVES! Knowing this truth is very important to our walk with God. Therefore, we need to know why God forgives, that God is always faithful to forgive, and what happens when God forgives. Let us look at these truths so we can receive forgiveness from God.

1 John 1:7-10

1. Why does God forgive?
	1. Sin hinders your walk and fellowship with God – 1 John 1:5-7, 2 Corinthians 6:14
	2. Sin hinders your faith - 1 John 3:21-22
2. God is always faithful to forgive
	1. Faithful and just to the blood of Jesus, and His promise to forgive - 1 John 1:7
	2. Just - Luke 17:3-4
	3. We must confess and repent of our sin – 1 John 1:8-10
3. What happens when God forgives you?
	1. God will not remember your sins - Hebrews 10:17
	2. God will not hold your sin against you - Psalm 32:1-2
	3. God will not deal with you according to your sins - Psalm 103:10-12

Conclusion: God forgives you so that you can remain close to Him. He can forgive because of the blood of Jesus. When He forgives: He forgets; He does not hold your sin against you; God completely removes your sin. If you sin, run to God and receive His mercy and forgiveness. Then continue to walk with God.

Discussion Questions:

1. Why does God forgive you?
2. How can God be faithful and just to forgive you?
3. What happens when God forgives you.