

Good News: You are forgiven
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Parallel passages include: Matt. 9:1-8; Luke 5:17-26
OT Passages of Good News of forgiveness include: Psalm 103:11-12; 130:3-4; Micah 7:18-19; Isa. 55:6-7; Zech. 3:1-10
NT Passages of Good News of forgiveness include: Matt. 26:28; Luke 1:77; 24:46-47; Acts 2:38; 10:43; 13:38; 26:17-18; Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:13-14; 1 John 1:9; 2:12
Numerous metaphors to picture what God has done for us –
What does God do with our sins?
He drowns them – Micah 7:18-19
He erases them – Isa. 43:25
He dissolves them – Isa. 44:22
He put them behind his back – Isa. 38:17
He forgets them – Jer. 31:34
He covers them – Psalm 32:1
He totally removes them – Psalm 103:11-12
He forgives them – Eph. 1:7
He takes them upon Himself – 1 Peter 2:24
He doesn't charge them to our account – 2 Cor. 5:19-20
He nailed them to the cross – Col. 2:13-14
He purges us from them – Heb. 1:3
He puts our sins away – Heb. 9:26
He takes our sins away – 1 John 3:5
He cleanses us and purifies us from sin – 1 John 1:7
He frees us from our sins – Rev. 1:5-6¹

Words to highlight as you read –

Good News	Save	restore
Forgive	Healing	faith
Ask, seek & knock	Reward	mercy
Rest	Hope	eternal life
Knowledge	Secret	abundant
Joy	Amazed	Kingdom of Heaven
Pray	Worship	treasure
Not taste death	Glory	follow me
Love	Resurrection	believe
Righteousness	repent	power of God
Justice	way	truth

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