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FORGIVEN!

(Hebrews 10:17-23)

INTRODUCTION:

*FORGIVING – that’s **what** God does & that’s **who** He is*

I. MAYBE WE WONDER: *CAN GOD EVER FORGIVE ME?*

- A. A friend who believes he has “out-sinned God’s love”
- B. Our common sense thinks:
“we can only ‘cash-in’ so many mercy cheques . . .”
- C. The devil tries to convince us – “God’s mercy has limited funds”

II. GOD SAYS TO YOU:

FORGIVENESS IS WHAT I AM ALL ABOUT!

- A. Listen again to what he says to you in **Hebrews 10:17-23**
- B. This is what Jesus said to a paraplegic man in **Matthew 9:**
“*Take courage my son, don’t fear; your sins are forgiven*”
- C. Our sin leads to fear & our fear to hiding from God
(**Genesis 3:8-9; Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6**)

III. WE HAVE SINNED & RUN AWAY, BUT GOD HAS NOT ABANDONED US

- A. Listen to God’s promises to you!
(**John 3:18; Colossians 1:13; 1 John 4:18; 1 John 3:20**)
- B. We trust in God’s promises, not our feelings
(**Titus 2:11-15; Hebrews 13:5**)
- C. Nothing strengthens courage like a clear grasp on grace; nothing fosters fear like an ignorance of mercy (**1 John 1:9**)

CONCLUSION: *It is time to ‘silence the roosters’ in your life!*