

October 13

TODAY'S BIBLE STUDY & MEDITATION

KEY IDEAS: How does it make me feel when I reflect on the fact that my sin debt has been cancelled? Do I see myself as God sees me, as one whose sins have been blotted out for all eternity? Do I see the connection between God forgiving me and my need to forgive others?

1 **God blots out the sins of the redeemed** — *Isaiah 44:22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.*

Am I aware of how God blotted out my sin? What did He do?

What examples of God's forgiveness can I praise Him for?

2 **I am given complete forgiveness since God will never remember my sins** — *Hebrews 8:12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.*

Does God forget my sins or does it mean that He will not bring them up again?

Why does the devil want me to struggle with forgiving myself and have guilt?

3 **I am to be forgiving** — *Matthew 18:35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses. (Compare Ephesians 4:32.)*

Am I harbouring bitterness toward anyone? Who do I need to forgive?

If I forgive, does it mean I won't remember or that I will never bring it up again?

Holy Spirit, how do you want to apply these verses in my life today?

OPTIONAL BIBLE READINGS

Morning: 1 Thessalonians 1

Evening: Isaiah 41, 42